

Health and Social Services Committee

Thursday, January 3, 2013

5:00 p.m.

Present: Mary Bergren, Administrator; Karen Urick, committee chair; Bill Preston

Absent: Jan May

1. Meeting began at 5:00 p.m.

- a. Preston moved, Urick seconded the corrections to the January agenda.
- b. Preston moved, Urick seconded the approval of the December 2012 minutes.
- c. No public comment.

2. Census-

Resident census is 98 as January 3, 2013

3. Public Relations/Updates

- a. Newspaper releases- Health County Health Department Christmas gifts, Salvation Army visit, Geneseo Library gifts, Farm Bureau ad
- b. Discussion on the many people/groups that adopted and purchased Christmas gifts for residents. Special thanks to the County Clerk's office for their participation.
- c. Review of Henry County Courthouse newsletter

4. Employee updates

- a. One new hire and one termination in December
- b. Reviewed monthly safety report

5. Public Aid

Payments are due for June, July, August, September, November, and December in the amount of \$672,452.31. Received payment for October, 2012- \$127,877.24

6. Labor negotiations

Next scheduled meeting is 1/16/13 at 9:30 a.m.

7. GIFT Foundation Grant

Grant was awarded to Hillcrest Home for the amount of \$28,000.00 for a new fire panel and required fire safety equipment such as heat/smoke detectors

8. Pre-employment drug testing

All new potential Hillcrest employees are required to pass a pre-employment drug test. Services for drug testing are utilized through the Henry County Health Department. A fingerprint background check is also required for all new employees.

9. Hillcrest Home Snow Emergency policies

Committee members reviewed with the Hillcrest Administrator the emergencies procedures that are in effect for snow emergency situations when roads become closed and employees have difficulty getting to the nursing home. Reviewed how proper staffing levels are maintained to provide for the care and safety of the residents.

10. NAGS Prairie Grass Project

Discussion regarding a possible prairie grass plot to be planted at Hillcrest by NAGS. Also reviewed status of trees NAGS had planted in the "Poor Farm" cemetery and the need for additional trees on the Hillcrest grounds.

11. Approval of bills

Preston moved and Urick seconded the approval of the December bills in the amount of \$330,997.81.

12. Next meeting

Wednesday, February 6, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.