

Health and Social Services Committee Minutes

June 13, 2023

Present: Kippy Breeden, Bob Wachtel, Brian Corkill, Kathy Nelson, Robin Tippitt- Administrator, Julie Kauffman, Tammy Verstraete, and Tim Wells.

Absent: Marshall Jones, Jan May

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m.

Motion to approve the June 2023 corrected agenda was made by Kathy Nelson and seconded by Bob Wachtel, motion carried.

Motion to approve the May 2023 corrected minutes as amended was made by Brian Corkill and seconded by Bob Wachtel, motion carried.

Public Comment- None

Budget review included an overview of the current financials.

Updates on facility projects and repairs:

- Pergola is up in the courtyard, finished.
- JB Excavation with Wirth came and unplugged the drainage tile for the sewage pond at a cost of \$4,872.45.
- The facility well #11031 did not pass its routine testing. This occurred last year, also. Director of Maintenance was able to sanitize the well last year with a large dose of chlorine bleach to bring the well back into compliance. Director of Maintenance is working with testing company to again bring the well back into compliance. The testing company will have to report this to the EPA since this is the 2nd year in a row that this has occurred. The EPA will instruct the facility on what next steps need to be taken. Possible next steps were discussed up to and including replacing the well pump and motor and replacing it with a new stainless steel pipe at the estimated cost of \$46,000, which includes labor.

Motion was made by Bob Wachtel to pay the bills for May 2023 in the amount of \$609,763.71. Motion was seconded Brian Corkill and motion carried.

The State of Illinois owes \$71,072.15 for April, May and prior months.

Census Update: Census was 71 today.

Public Relations: Last week the Activity Department took a small group of residents to the Psycho Silo for a special day geared to elders. The residents thoroughly enjoyed seeing Elvis there. The Facility will celebrate Father's Day with a BBQ and yard games this Friday.

Infection Control/Covid Updates: There are no residents or staff with Covid 19 now.

Employee Updates were discussed. New hires included: 1 CNA, 1 Dietary Aid, 1 RN (temporary for summer), 1 LPN (pending license), and 1 Unit Aid.

Agency is being used to fill RN requirements mandated by government regulation. Administrator has been working with the Union Representative and the county's lawyer to get hire on bonuses approved for a full-time RN in attempt to attract the RN staff members the facility needs. Committee reviewed some suggestions from Nick Richards- Union Representative on how the Union would like to proceed with bonuses. Administrator of Hillcrest to discuss with County Administrator and County Attorney.

Next meeting –Tuesday, July 12, 2023 at 4:45pm. at Hillcrest Conference Room.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kathy Nelson and seconded by Brian Corkill.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.