

Oneida County Commission on Aging Meeting Minutes
April 16, 2009
Sugar Camp Town Hall

Present: Mary Martin, Matt Matteson, Maxine Meyer, Catherine Parker, Sonny Paszak, Jeanette Pederson, Bill Schell, Peter Wolk and Carol White

Absent with Notice: Pat C. Peters

Staff: Dianne Jacobson, Stephanie Schroeder

Call to order: Called to order by Peter Wolk at 12:45 p.m. at the Sugar Camp Town Hall. It was noted that the agenda was properly posted and the media notified.

Approval of Agenda for April 16, 2009: Motion by M. Martin to approve the agenda and take items out of order if needed, second by B. Schell. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes from March 19, 2009: Motion by C. Parker to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2009, second by M. Meyer. Motion carried.

Introduction of Members to Audience: None

Date/Time and Locations of Future Meetings: Thursday, May 21st at noon at the Oneida Senior Center. Election of officers will be the first order of business.

Public Comment/Communications: None

Human Service Center Workgroup Report: Discussion referenced the Lakeland Times articles (in packet) which described how the Oneida County Human Service Workgroup recommended that Oneida County stay a member of the current tri-county structure providing some listed prerequisites are followed by the Human Service Board within a defined timeline. Oneida County Board delayed their approval of this resolution until the June meeting to allow the workgroup time to meet and negotiate with the Human Services Board. Other work by this committee is to continue their investigation on the impact of Family Care on Oneida County.

Greater Wisconsin Agency on Aging Resources, Inc. (GWAAR) Report: M. Martin reported on the meeting she and D. Jacobson attended in Madison on March 25th and 26th. The new duties and responsibilities of GWAAR were discussed as well as how to best serve the counties and empower the seniors to what is available to them.

Director's Monthly Report: The requested financials from the Lakeland Retirement Foundation for the months of January and February were received. D. Jacobson reviewed the LRF's request for financial assistance for furnace replacement. Concern was expressed that requests for funding from LRF continue to come in and our only funding sources are the Department on Aging's large fundraised and donations accounts. C. Parker recommended that a policy be developed to give guidelines for what these accounts can be used for. D. Jacobson will contact Margie Sorenson regarding some ideas and will bring a draft to the May COA meeting.

Monthly Departmental Reports: Of note, the Sugar Camp meal site has been averaging 20-30 attendees. M. Meyer reminded people about the annual Senior Center rummage sale at the River Street "bus barn".

Vouchers and Bills: Motion by M. Matteson to approve all vouchers and bills as presented, second by J. Pederson. Motion carried.

Line Item Transfers: None

Out-of-County Travel: D. Jacobson to attend a state-wide Aging Unit Directors meeting in Antigo on April 22, D. Jacobson to attend Aging and Disability Professionals Association of Wisconsin meeting in Stevens Point on May 1st and D. Jacobson and S. Piazza to attend an Alzheimer's conference in Stevens Point May 2nd – 4th.

Recognition of outgoing member: P. Wolk presented M. Martin a Certificate of Appreciation for her years of service on the Commission on Aging.

Topics for Future Agendas: Nothing specific at this time.

Public Comment/Communications: None

Adjourn: Motion by B. Schell to adjourn at 2:15 p.m., second by J. Pederson. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

S. Schroeder
Secretary

S. Paszak
Secretary