

Heart of Iowa Community Services (HICS) Minutes

September 20, 2021

HICS met on Monday, September 20, 2021, at 2:00 pm at the Guthrie County Courthouse.

Present: Rick Thompson, Audubon County Supervisor, Brad Golightly, Dallas County Supervisor; Clifford Carney, Guthrie County Supervisor; Laurie Cooley, Provider Representative, Larry Loss, Family Member representative.

Absent: Shanell Wagler, Child Provider representative

Staff Present: Darci Alt, CEO; Lisa Kempf, Recording Secretary

Item 1 – Chair Clifford Carney called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm.

Item 2 – *Additions/Approval of Agenda:*

- a) Motion to approve the agenda as presented by Thompson, second by Golightly. Motion approved unanimously.

Item 3 – *Approval of Minutes from March meeting:*

- a) Motion to approve June 7, 2021 meeting minutes as presented by Thompson, second by Loss. Motion approved unanimously.

Item 4 – *Visitors:* Ryan Hemmer, Dallas County General Assistance Coordinator and Marty Arganbright, Guthrie County Sheriff.

Item 5 – *Discussion/Action: Payment of Bills*

- a) Kempf presented claim summary for June, July and August 2021. **ACTION:** Motion to receive and file claim summary as presented by Thompson, second by Golightly. Motion approved unanimously.

Item 6 – *Discussion/Action: FY22 Budget*

- a) Kempf presented the Budget status and Fund Balance status as of 8/31/21 for review.
- b) Kempf presented the final summary of CARES Act Dollars spent that was submitted to DHS. **ACTION:** None.

Item 7 – *Discussion/Action: Regional Cars*

- a) Kempf noted to the Board the two cars assigned to our Department that are used by employees to see clients are both 2015 models. Both cars are owned by Dallas County. Both cars currently have 80,000 miles or less on them. She asked direction from the Board regarding timing of replacement.
- b) Following discussion, consensus of Board members was to keep vehicles until at least 100,000 miles. In FY23, a Capitol line for replacement will be added to the budget, anticipating to replace both vehicles in 3-4 years. **ACTION:** None.

Item 8 – *Discussion/Action: Performance Based Contract*

- a) Alt explained due to recent Legislation changing the funding of the Mental Health system in Iowa from County tax levies to State funding, each Region must sign a Performance Based Contract with DHS.
- b) She stated the contract has been reviewed by the Dallas County Attorney and the Guthrie County Attorney, both having no objections to the language of the contract.
- b) Following discussion and review of the contract, **ACTION:** Loss motioned to approve the Performance Based Contract with the Iowa Department of Human Services. Second by Thompson. Motion approved unanimously.

Item 9 – Discussion: Fidelity Reviews

- a) Alt informed the Board that Fidelity Reviews will be completed on all of our Contracted Providers. Jason Haglund, Independent Consultant will perform the reviews on behalf of the Heart of Iowa Region. He will also review our Jail program and Service Coordination program.

Item 10 – Discussion/Action: Updates

- a) Alt informed the Board she has concerns with the service Integrated Telehealth Partners is providing to member county jails and hospital emergency departments and Safe Harbor. She intends to meet with another provider soon to discuss possible replacement of this Provider. ACTION: None.

Item 11 – Discussion/Action: Old Business

- a) Sheriff Arganbright expressed concern regarding Mobile Crisis services in Guthrie County by Safe Harbor and cited a recent example.
 - 1. Cooley and Alt will follow up and determine if a break-down of communication/service occurred. ACTION: None.

Next Meeting / Adjourn: Next scheduled meeting is Monday, November 22, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. at the Dallas County office.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Thompson, second by Golightly. Motion approved unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Lisa Kempf,
Recording Secretary

CLIFFORD CARNEY, Chair HICS

RICK THOMPSON, Secretary HICS