

Carroll County Commissioners' Meeting
October 17, 2012

In attendance: Commissioners David Sorensen, Dorothy Solomon and Asha Kenney and 4 others from public.

Commissioner Sorensen called the meeting to order at 8:30am

Public comments can be seen at www.governmentoversite.com

The meeting opens to public input

Commissioner Sorensen responds to a public question from Daymond Steer of the Conway Daily Sun about including the names from the public who speak at the Commissioners' Meetings.

Commissioner Sorensen responds to a public question from Daymond Steer, regarding the hiring of a Nursing Home Administrator and if a decision has been made. An applicant was decided and it is Howard Chandler and are still negotiating his benefits.

Rep. Babson states he has reviewed the Right to Know Law and he reads it. Minutes to be typed and shared with the public within 5 business days and to include names of those in attendance.

Rep. Babson met with John Rich of Cybertron to install Wi-Fi internet service in the County Administration Building and the cost would be \$100.00

Meeting goes into the Agenda

MOTION

Commissioner Kenney makes a motion to approve the October 10, 2012 public meeting minutes, as corrected. Seconded by **Commissioner Solomon**. All in favor. Motion passed.

Howard Chandler, Interim MVC (Copies of handout located in the Commissioners' Office)

Plan of Correction from the State Inspection has been approved. State Inspectors will return within 2 weeks for corrective actions of the 103 records and any undiscovered items to be addressed at that time.

Census is 102, with one admission this week.

A Staff Committee is formed for Admissions to review of what a policy could be and will present that to the Commissioners at a later date.

Interviewing is taking place for a full time MDS Coordinator.

5 prices from vendors for lifts.

New England Medical Systems (refurbished) \$1,500.

Prism Medical \$1,678.

New England Medical Systems (brand new) \$2,027.

Discover \$2,389

Live Well Medical \$3,265.

Mr. Chandler is recommending New England Medical Systems (refurbished) and can negotiate a lower price for a quantity discount. We need 2-3, 5 lifts would be best. One is needed right now.

MOTION

Commissioner Solomon makes a motion to purchase one refurbished lift from New England Medical Systems for \$1,500, and budget four for next year 2013. Seconded by **Commissioner Kenney**. All in favor. Motion passed.

Commissioner Solomon reports on the Council Meeting she attended Tuesday October, 16, 2012. A promotion for Wendy Scribner from Associate Educator to Educator and general business was discussed.

Commissioner Sorensen recommends to Commissioner Solomon and Rep. Babson to have the discussion with Wendy about starting the process of marking and cutting trees.

Commissioner Solomon suggests to Howard Chandler to check on a bike for the Rehab at the Nursing Home. He will check with Genesis who currently provided equipment.

Commissioner Kenney questions the other commissioners how the jail inspections are done and who attends. Commissioner Sorensen and Commissioner Solomon did an inspection and the report is filed in the office. The Inspection Report goes to the Director, Commissioners Office and the Attorney General's Office. Kenney, states that all commissioners need to attend the inspection per the RSA Section 30B12, Administration of Department of Corrections for the County. Sorensen responds that he understands it to be that one commissioner can do the inspection and report on that to the other commissioners. Kenney does not agree, all three should be doing the inspection.

Commissioner Kenney brought up a question a few weeks ago about the 501c3 of the \$810 filing fee and at that time Commissioner Solomon stated that it was repaid through the Duby Fund. Kenney checked with the office for the check number and the date and all she received was an email of the copy of the check that was sent. Commissioner Sorensen suggests to Kenney to speak with Paula at the Nursing Home.

A public question is asked by Steve Brown an Axelrod RN was paid \$864.90 for 9 hours of work. Why not train an LPN, so we can save a lot of money instead of hiring an RN from Axelrod? Howard Chandler responds that an LPN Coordinator has a RN component. The RN does not have to prepare the work, the LPN does. This situation happened only because an employee was out on Family Leave, and she was the back up and was needed for 2 weeks.

MOTION

Commissioner Kenney makes a motion to approve and release the non-public meeting minutes of August 22, 2011. Seconded by **Commissioner Sorensen**. All in favor. Motion passed.

Meeting opens to Public Input

Commissioner Sorensen reports the Boy Scouts will be coming to with a presentation of the trail that will be constructed between now and next summer and will be attending next week's meeting.

Rep. Babson would like the Nursing Home Admissions Policy be discussed in public. Reviewing the DRAFT Admissions List Mr. Chandler handed out at last week's meeting, Babson asks why would a private pay county resident be 3rd on the list and not 1st? Mr. Chandler put the list out for public discussion and not a policy. **Commissioner Sorensen** states that would not be based on private pay or Medicaid, it will be based on the needs of the residence. Babson states this could be a moral dilemma and a political one, too. He also suggests that former county resident of less than 1 year, should be 3-5 years. **Commissioner Solomon** states that we need to also look at accommodating that resident of a room being available and meeting their needs. Babson states that the priority should be county residents first. Commissioner Sorensen responds point of discussion.

Rep. Babson discusses the county's website. Make a priority to have someone come in 2-3 days to train those who can update and maintain the website? Janice Sullivan of Human resources states that Revenue and Expenses Budget are now on the website, but it is in two parts because of the size of the file. She also states that it does cost money to hire someone to maintain the website, but she is up for the challenge to maintain the website.

MOTION

Commissioner Kenney makes a motion to approve non-public meeting minutes of August 29, 2012. Seconded by **Commissioner Solomon**. All in favor. Motion passed.

MOTION

Commissioner Kenney makes a motion to approve non-public meeting minutes of August 8, 2012. Seconded by **Commissioner Solomon**. All in favor. Motion passed.

MOTION

Commissioner Sorensen makes a motion to go into non-public session at 10:28am for personnel reasons at the nursing home and for county attorney personnel reasons. Seconded by **Commissioner Solomon**. Roll Call. All in favor. Motion passed.

Recorded by,
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