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AITKIN COUNTY HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES BOARD

August 22, 2023
H&HS Board Minutes

Attendance

The Aitkin County Board of Commissioners met this 22nd day of August 2023, at 9:00 a.m. as the Aitkin County Health & Human Services Board with the following members present: Board Chair, Commissioner J. Mark Wedel, Commissioners Laurie Westerlund, Travis Leiviska, Bret Sample and Michael Kearney. County Administrator Jessica Seibert, Health & Human Services Director Sarah Pratt, and Administrative Assistant Paula Arimborgo. Others present included: H&HS Supervisors Julie Lewis, Carli Goble, and Erin Melz, ACHHS Advisory Committee member Luke Christensen, Jeanne Schram Aitkin Age, and other public guests. Joining via WebEx: H&HS Financial Services Supervisor Jessi Goble.

1.A Approval of the Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Kearney and carried, all members present voting yes to approve the August 22, 2023 Health & Human Services agenda.

1.B Approval of the July 25, 2023 Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Leiviska, seconded by Commissioner Sample and carried, all members present voting yes to approve the July 25, 2023 Health & Human Services minutes.

1.C Approval of Bills

Motion by Commissioner Westerlund, seconded by Commissioner Kearney and carried, all members present voting yes to approve the bills.

2.A Director Updates

Sarah Pratt, H&HS Director updated the board on the following:

- Hiring Process
 - New OSS staff hired on August 2nd, training is intense so it will be a few weeks before she is able to answer phones and function on her own.
 - An offer has gone out to a new Child Protection Social Worker as well as a new Children's Services Case Aide.
 - One OSS/CA position open. We are evaluating the need of the OSS area or whether we need the position in another area.
- MACCSA Conference August 22-24
 - 2024 Legislative Priorities

3.A Child Support Presentation

Julie Lewis, H&HS Child Support Supervisor, presented to the board the Federal Fiscal Year 2022 Child Support Report to include:

- MN Vision and Mission
- Performance Measures
- Federal Performance Measures: County Results
- Aitkin County Results:
 - Orders Established
 - Paternities Established
 - Collections on Current
 - Collections on Arrears
 - Cost Effectiveness
- Payment Sources
- MN County Disbursements, Total Expenditures & Incentives
- Guide to Performance Data
- More Money for Families

4.A Committee Updates

The Board discussed the H&HS Advisory Committee, Tri-County Community Health Services, AEOA, and CARE Board.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Next Meeting – September 26, 2023