

MUSKEGON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Human Services Committee

via Zoom and in-person at: Michael E. Kobza Hall of Justice, 990 Terrace Street, Muskegon, MI 49442

Tuesday, August 3, 2021 – 3:00 p.m.

Marcia Hovey-Wright, Chair
Zach Lahring, Vice-Chair

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Hovey-Wright at 3:09 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Doug Brown, Kim Cyr, Susie Hughes, Zach Lahring, Charles Nash, Malinda Pego, Bob Scolnik, Rillastine Wilkins, Marcia Hovey-Wright

Also Present: Mark Eisenbarth, County Administrator; Kathy Tharp, Administrative Coordinator

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Commissioner Wilkins, supported by Commissioner Nash, to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2021, meeting as written. {Voice Vote} **Motion carried.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

Two members of the public spoke in favor of the Senior Resources motions.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

HS21/07 – 16 It was moved by Commissioner Wilkins, supported by Commissioner Lahring, to make an exception and allow Senior Millage Grants Administrator to also receive senior activities and service grants (In-Home Care and Supports Coordination and Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program).

Roll Call:

Yes: Zach Lahring, Charles Nash, Bob Scolnik, Rillastine Wilkins, Doug Brown, Kim Cyr, Marcia Hovey-Wright

No: Susie Hughes, Malinda Pego

Motion carried.

HS21/07 – 17 It was moved by Commissioner Nash, supported by Commissioner Hughes, to approve 41 senior millage funding awards totaling \$1,776,820 for FY22, effective October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022 as recommended by the Senior Activities Committee; and to authorize the designated Senior Millage Grants Administrator to proceed with the administration of the programs.

Roll Call:

Yes: Zach Lahring, Charles Nash, Malinda Pego, Bob Scolnik, Rillastine Wilkins, Doug Brown, Susie Hughes, Kim Cyr, Marcia Hovey-Wright

No: None

Motion carried.

HS21/07 – 18 It was moved by Commissioner Nash, supported by Commissioner Hughes, to approve senior millage grant funding to be awarded to Senior Resources for continuation of the Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program in the amount of \$22,400 for FY22, effective October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022.

Roll Call:

Yes: Doug Brown, Kim Cyr, Susie Hughes, Zach Lahring, Charles Nash, Malinda Pego, Bob Scolnik, Rillastine Wilkins, Marcia Hovey-Wright

No: None

Motion carried.

HS21/07 – 19 It was moved by Commissioner Hughes, supported by Commissioner Nash, to authorize the Public Health Department to change the vacant Accounting Technician position G03007 from hourly to full-time to better align with current programming needs and funding requirements, with no change in general fund allocation.

Roll Call:

Yes: Kim Cyr, Susie Hughes, Zach Lahring, Charles Nash, Malinda Pego, Bob Scolnik, Rillastine Wilkins, Doug Brown, Marcia Hovey-Wright

No: None

Motion carried.

HS21/07 – 20 It was moved by Commissioner Nash, supported by Commissioner Wilkins, to enter into a contract agreement with Senior Resources of West Michigan for In-Home Care Administration and Coordination Services for Seniors effective October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022, with two one-year renewal options, at a cost not to exceed \$386,000 for the first year of the grant cycle (\$300,000 for In-Home Services and \$86,000 for Support Coordination).

Roll Call:

Yes: Susie Hughes, Zach Lahring, Charles Nash, Malinda Pego, Bob Scolnik, Rillastine Wilkins, Doug Brown, Kim Cyr, Marcia Hovey-Wright

No: None

Motion carried.

HS21/07 – 21 It was moved by Commissioner Nash, supported by Commissioner Hughes, to Authorize the Public Health Department to amend its FY21 budget from \$9,254,543 to \$9,195,710 to reflect changes in grants, fees and other line items with no change in general fund allocation.

Roll Call:

Yes: Zach Lahring, Charles Nash, Malinda Pego, Bob Scolnik, Rillastine Wilkins, Doug Brown, Susie Hughes, Kim Cyr, Marcia Hovey-Wright

No: None

Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

FINAL BOARD COMMENT

Commissioner Nash stated that he thinks the Board has done their due diligence on these matters and we can keep providing services to the community at a high level.

Commissioner Lahring questioned who asked for the barriers which were put back in the boardroom.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Human Services Committee, the meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.