

August 17, 2023

MINUTES OF AUGUST 17th MEETING

Commissioners were all present. Staff recited the pledge at 9:00. Purchase orders and bills were reviewed and signed. Pending issues were discussed with the following resolutions approved and signed:

- V110-149 Minutes of August 15, 2023:
1st-Rush 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
- V110-150 No Administrative Leave for COVID Policy
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes
- V110-151 Reimbursement to Pike Repair
1st-Rush 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
- V110-152 Reimbursement to Ditch Maintenance
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
- V110-153 Resignation Payout to A. Swanger/JFS, \$1328.81
1st-Rush 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes
- V110-154 Release of Funds from S000-S06/Children's Services
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes
- V110-155 Bills
1st-Rush 2nd-Crowe Roll call: Striker-yes, Rush-yes, Crowe-yes
- Signed: JFS Family Child Care Recruitment Sub-grant Agreement, \$10,000, 8/11/23-6/30/24
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call: Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes
MOU-Family & Children First and JFS for SFY24 Funding-minimum of 12% (resolution when dollar amount is known)
1st-Crowe 2nd-Rush Roll call: Rush-yes, Striker-yes, Crowe-yes
- Commissioner Striker attended the August Safety Council Meeting at the Alliance.

Chris Kitchen met with the Commissioners and Holli Underwood, **Alliance**. At 9:31 Commissioner Crowe called Executive Session per ORC 121.22 (G)(8) Commissioner Rush second. Roll call; Striker-yes, Crowe-yes, Rush-yes. At 9:53 Commissioner Striker announced the end of the Executive Session.

The bid opening was held for the Engineers **county roads cold mix project**. Engineer Luke Underwood was present. No bids were received. 14.38 miles of county roads. Estimate of \$770,000. Commissioner Crowe moved to proceed by Force Account since no bids were received. Commissioner Rush second. Roll call: Crowe-yes, Striker-yes, Rush-yes. **V110-156**

Sharon Huston, **Hardin Hills Administrator**, July 2023 Financials and Updates. The Center for Medicaid/Medicare Services has a law that all nursing homes submit quarterly payroll reports. Hardin Hills does this thru a PBJ portal. Time was not taken to see if TimeTrak successfully transferred all reports. She has received a one page summary quarterly and made sure it looked appropriate. The five-star report came in with Hardin Hills at a 2 star. The results summary dropped to a one star due to staffing and insufficient RN coverage. Sharon knew a mistake was made as she always makes sure the RN is covered. She responded with the reply per payroll with dates with no RN. She checked TimeTrak payrolls and discovered numerous problems with the PBJ portal. The report is wrong, the RN's were on staff. Their shifts are different: 10 p to 6:30 a.m. The government decided that that no longer meets the requirements. Just during the weekends consecutive hours. The Government didn't agree and won't change but agree there was RN coverage. The next report comes out the third week of October. They cannot get applications for RN's with an acceptable salary, If none are hired by January 2024 she may need an agency RN per the government rules. She is embarrassed to be a one-star facility due to staffing-which is not correct. You have to record the way they want. Everything else is at 4 star. LeaderStat is working to train all to internally monitor what is coming in January 2024. Revenue \$427,391 with Expenses at \$475,981 for a loss of \$48,590 and a year to date loss of \$93,654. If the Medicaid rate had come thru on time, there would be

on loss. Every month should be another \$50,000 thru December 31 then go thru all again. Census at 61 today. Breakeven is 67. They are getting referrals, but the patient ends up going home. The state is paying family members to be caregivers no matter the level of care. Federal surveyor noted no bad comments from the residents or family members. At \$222.00 per day. Discussion on what surrounding facilities charge and increases to come. The day rate should be at or above the Medicare rate which is \$252.40. May go up again in January. Commissioner Crowe moved to increase the daily rate from \$222 to \$242 effective October 1, 2023. The two Suite rooms are \$295 to \$350 per day for private use. Commissioner Rush second. Roll call: Crowe-yes, Rush-yes, Striker-yes. **V7-32** No damage from the recent tornado August 12. A benefit is being held by the Moose for an employee Sept. 16. With donations received from the community, the residents are having a garage sale for Activity spending. The large commercial tent canopy was destroyed by winds. Cost is \$3000. Deductible is \$2500. Debating to replace with a permanent structure.

Roll call resulted as follows:

_____, YES/NO
 President of the Board-Timothy L. Striker

_____, YES/NO
 Roger E. Crowe

_____, YES/NO
 Fred M. Rush

Attest _____
 Clerk of the Board