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Monroe County Commission on Aging Regular Board Meeting Minutes May 14, 2008

Retired Senior Volunteer Program Conference Room

Chairman Martin Kaufman called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

Member's present: Noel Dentner, Nancy Hamman, Aleta Jackson, Martin Kaufman, Gerald Stone and Loyd Sype.

Member excused: Bruce Freimark, John Sledge Jr., and Paul Simonton

Chairman Martin Kaufman led the Pledge of Allegiance and silent prayer.

Approval of the Agenda:

Nancy Hamman motioned to approve the May 14, 2008 agenda as presented. Supported by Aleta Jackson.

Motion carried.

Guests Present: Larry VanWasshenova, Director, Monroe County Senior Legal Services; Floreine Mentel, County Commissioner and Area Agency on Aging 1-B Board of Directors; Gerilyn Powers Regional Supervisor, Area Agency on Aging 1-B; Barbara Mazur, Executive Director, Joe Hess, Accountant, Frenchtown Senior Center; Diane Tacket, Senior Resource Director, Stephanie Kasprzak, Executive Director and Paul Iacoangeli, Transportation Director, Monroe County Opportunity Program; Nancy Young, Director, Faith in Action for Monroe County; Aaron Simonton, Executive Director and Bonnie Weber, Care management Director, The Monroe Center; Deb Brescol, Director, RSVP; Scott Heuerman, Coordinator, Health Van.

Public Time/RSVP:

Aaron Simonton announced that the Every 9th American Committee generated an endorsement request form for individuals who donate \$1.00 for each "YES Senior Millage" button to sign approving the committee to print their names in the paper as supporters of the 2008 renewal of the Monroe County Senior Millage.

Deb Brescol welcomed everyone and announced Scott Heuerman as the new Health Van coordinator.

Approval of the Regular Commission Meeting Minutes of April 09, 2008

Motion made by Gerald Stone, supported by Loyd Sype to approve the regular commission minutes of April 09, 2008 as corrected. **Motion carried.**

Approval of the Financial Statements:

Ms. Hamad presented the March 2008 Financial Report. Motion to accept and place the reports on file by Noel Dentner, supported by Nancy Hamman. **Motion carried.**

Commission Members Report:

Nancy Hamman reminded everyone that the Bedford Relay for Life is this Saturday and Sunday, May 17 and 18 at the Bedford High School.

Loyd Sype suggested limiting service to those seniors who have lived in Monroe County five years or longer to preserve the millage dollars.

Correspondence:

The Commission reviewed the list of correspondence.

Directors Report:

Ms. Hamad reviewed the written report with the commission.

Unfinished Business:

A. Strategic Planning Committee Reports of May 01, 2008:

Noel Dentner commented on the progress of the ramp program. The client waiting list has been reduced due to some clients not needing the ramps now or not wanting to pay the rental fee. Per a discussion with Larry VanWasshenova, we will likely file UCC Fixture Filings on ramps installed on mobile homes.

Terri Hamad distributed copies of the proposed county space plan, which includes the proposed move of the COA office. The committee members felt that the proposed space was inadequate and therefore will recommend to the full commission that the Commission should seek out its own space to rent.

Chairman Kaufman appointed Noel Dentner and Paul Simonton as the "Space Search Committee" to investigate available space and cost and report back to the full board.

B. Non-Compliant Reporting Agencies:

No formal report at this time. The users are continuing to enter client data with more ease. Vicky Terrasi has worked with many of the users to get discrepancies cleared up and overall reporting is at about 95% with the past three-month's data.

New Business:

A. Frenchtown Seniors Adult Day Care Request:

The Frenchtown Senior Citizen Center requested an additional \$26,039.00 in funding for center operations. Previously, the Executive Director and Accountant positions had been charged to the Area Agency on Aging 1-B budget for the Adult Day Services program. The center is proposing to shift this cost over to the Commission on Aging budget.

The commission discussed in length the request for additional funding and made the following motion.

Gerald Stone motioned to approve the Frenchtown Senior Citizen Center additional request of \$26,039.00 for center operations with the stipulation that the funds be used only for the specific line items proposed. Transfers from the approved line items are prohibited without the advance written permission of the Commission. Any funds not used in accordance with the Directive of the Commission shall be returned forthwith. Supported by Aleta Jackson.

Roll call:

Aleta Jackson – Yes	Gerald Stone – Yes	Loyd Sype – No
Martin Kaufman – Abstained	Noel Dentner – No	Nancy Hamman - Yes

Motion carried.

B. Area Agency on Aging 1-B Grant Match Letter Request:

- Monroe County Opportunity Program made a formal request to the Commission for matching funds that work in tandem with their Area Agency on Aging 1-B grants for the Home Injury Control (\$3,649), Chore (\$10,424), Resource Advocacy (\$11,322) and Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Program (\$370.00).

Motion by Aleta Jackson to grant the request for matching funds for the Monroe County Opportunity Program for Home Injury Control, Chore, Grandparents Raising Grandchildren and Resource Advocacy Programs totaling \$25,765.00 with the stipulation that the funds be used only for the specific line items proposed. Transfers from the approved line items are prohibited without the advance written permission of the Commission. Any funds not used in accordance with the Directive of the Commission shall be returned forthwith. Supported by Gerald Stone.

Roll call:

Gerald Stone – Yes	Loyd Sype – Yes	Martin Kaufman – Yes
Noel Dentner – Yes	Nancy Hamman – Yes	Aleta Jackson – Yes

Motion carried.

- Faith In Action for Monroe County requested a match of \$6,000.00 for their proposed budget request submitted to Area Agency on Aging 1-B for fiscal year 2009.

Motion by Nancy Hamman to approve the \$6,000.00 match request for Faith In Action for Monroe County with the stipulation that the funds be used only for the specific line items proposed. Transfers from the approved line items are prohibited without the advance written permission of the Commission. Any funds not used in accordance with the Directive of the Commission shall be returned forthwith. Supported by Aleta Jackson.

Roll call:

Loyd Sype – Yes
Nancy Hamman – Yes

Martin Kaufman – Yes
Aleta Jackson – Yes

Noel Dentner – Yes
Gerald Stone – Yes

Motion carried.

- Deaf and Hearing Impaired Services, Inc. requested a match of \$9,723.00 for their proposed budget request submitted to Area Agency on Aging 1-B for fiscal year 2009.

Motion by Aleta Jackson to approve the \$9,723.00 match request for Deaf and Hearing Impaired Services, Inc. to provide services to the deaf in Monroe County with the stipulation that the funds be used only for the specific line items proposed. Transfers from the approved line items are prohibited without the advance written permission of the Commission. Any funds not used in accordance with the Directive of the Commission shall be returned forthwith. Supported by Nancy Hamman.

Roll call:

Martin Kaufman – Yes
Aleta Jackson – Yes

Noel Dentner – Yes
Gerald Stone – Yes

Nancy Hamman – Yes
Loyd Sype – Yes

Motion carried.

Public Time:

Monroe County Commissioner Mentel addressed MI Week's Kickoff, keeping a positive attitude regarding the renewal of the Senior Millage, and announced that she is running again this year for County Commissioner.

Gerilyn Powers announced that there were 39 vendors and 150 people who attended the Monroe County Aging Consortium Caregiver Fair this year.

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn by Gerald Stone, supported by Aleta Jackson. **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 2:54 p.m.

The next regular board meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 11, 2008 at 1:00 p.m. at the Bedford Senior Center, 1653 Samaria Road, Temperance, MI 48182.

Vicky L. Terrasi

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