

**Commission on Aging Disability Board Meeting Minutes
August 10, 2016**

The Commission on Aging and Disability met in conference room A/B in the Community Services Building at 221 West Seminary Street, Richland Center, WI 53581

Members present: Sharyn Knudson, David Scribbins, Virginia Wiedenfeld, Paul Kinney, Richard Rasmussen, and Marilyn Marshall, and Larry Jewell

Members absent: Cindy Riley and Belinda Granger

HHS Staff present: Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber, Diane Cox and Linda Batten

Others present: Marlene Mathews and Ryan Elliott

1. Call Meeting to Order: Meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by David Scribbins.

2. Posting and Agenda: Linda Batten verified the agenda was posted properly. Virginia Wiedenfeld made a motion to approve the agenda; Paul Kinney seconded. Motion carried.

3. Approval of July 13, 2016 Commission on Aging and Disability Meeting Minutes:

- Paul Kinney made a motion to approve the July 13, 2016 Commission on Aging and Disability meeting minutes; Marilyn Marshall seconded. Motion carried.

4. Richland Center Pedestrian Safety Discussion- Chief Clements and Diane Cox:

- Roxanne said she talked with Marcia and Marcia said they are waiting on the state to approve the painting of lines on State Highways. Roxanne said that Marcia said the streets are too narrow for signs in the middle of the street.
- David said there should be a Pedestrian Awareness Week with spots on the radio and once this is done there should be tickets given out to drivers or pedestrians if they do not yield.
- David also stated that he has seen pedestrians (on the middle school side of Highways 80 and 14) cross behind vehicles because the vehicle was too far forward and covering the crosswalk.
- Marilyn thought there needed to be an ordinance prohibiting or limiting parking on the main street.
- Sharyn found that there are four different grants from different agencies that may cover the expenses for implementing some of the ideas. She said that they were date and time limited.
- Roxanne said she would be willing to help if someone could do the grant writing. Maybe there needs to be a committee formed regarding grants.
- David said he would like to get on the city council agenda regarding pedestrian safety. He thought the next council meeting was Tuesday @ 7:30.
- Linda called Chief Clements, he did not answer so a message was left for him. (During the meeting I was handed a note, he was not going to make the meeting.)

5. Board Education – Ryan Elliott:

- Ryan said that a conversation about building a new Pine Valley has been going on for 15 or 20 years.
- A small portion of the old building will be kept.
- Ryan further stated that the opening will be October 6 and everyone has to be moved on or before that date.
- Ryan said the assisted living section of the building will allow pets.
- Ryan stated that the county board and planners had the foresight to put in Geothermal for heating and cooling.
- Ryan further explained that each building is a neighborhood and will hold 20 beds which will be considered a household. There will be secure courtyards, washers and dryers, country kitchens and exam rooms.
- Ryan said the new name of the facility will be Pine Valley Community Village.
- Ryan explained that the complete building will be setup for wifi. He said that Rehab will be spread throughout the building with one additional room for rehab.
- A survey was conducted and it was found that the county will be out of space in 10 years.

- Ryan stated when everything is complete. There will be 80 beds for skilled nursing and 16 beds for assisted living.

6. Reports from Aging and Disability Organizations:

- Marlene stated that in August they will be having a picnic. The Wolf band will provide the music. Brats and hamburgers will be provided. People who will be attending are asked to bring a salad or dessert.
- Marlene said they will be having a brat sale on 8/19 and 8/20 in Bindl's parking lot.
- Marlene reported that last month everyone was to wear red/white or blue. She said everyone came with these colors on so no one had to tell a joke or a knock/knock joke.
- Marlene said that in September, Norman Davis will be showing old pictures of Richland Center. People were asked to bring pictures of themselves in school. They would then report which school they attended.

7. Citizen Comments:

- David said his father is fighting leukemia and he handed out bracelets, "NO ONE FIGHTS ALONE". He said his brother provided the stem cells for his father.
- David stated that the bracelets came from ChooseHope.com.
- Diane said that Walk with GRACE will be Friday night from 6:00 to midnight. Opening will be at 6:00 and at 9:00 will be the lighting of luminaires.
- Diane stated that captains' night is tonight.
- Diane said the walk was shortened back when the Senior Center was under construction.
- Diane went over the process of how money is dispersed by GRACE. A person must submit an Application, the board will talk about it (no identifying info is given to the board) and either approve or disapprove. The board can approve the person to get up to \$2500. What the person would do once approved, is submit the bills to GRACE. GRACE in turn will pay the bills directly to the company that submitted the bill. GRACE will also pay for equipment that is needed by the person. (This will be part of the \$2500.).

8. ADRC Update:

- Roxanne said the request for bids have been sent for the new construction of offices for ADRC employees. The bids are to be back by October. It is estimated that the staff will be able to move by the end of the year.
- Roxanne said that in October a Med D clinic will be held. This will be the first time for this. There has been an interest expressed by people to run their own plans. Roxanne said the plans are getting more and more expensive.
- Roxanne stated that there will be an agency wide booth at the fair this year. The booth will be open from the time the gates open until closing time. Different units will be manning the booth on different days.
- Virginia stated that on Thursday there is nothing going on, so it would not be worth it to have the booth open on that day.
- Roxanne reported that she submitted the 5310 Operating Grant yesterday for transportation. She said it is not a guarantee that we would get awarded. The requirements are stricter than previous years as there are more submissions.

9. Dementia Friendly Communities Initiative 2016 - Update:

- Roxanne reported that Train the Trainer will be held here on August 25th from 1:00 to 3:00.
- She said that once a company has 50% of their staff trained, they will receive a Purple Angel to put in their window.
- Roxanne asked that if anyone knows of someone who wants to be trained to please have them contact her.

10. Board Openings:

- Roxanne reported that Sandra Kramer was approved, for people over 60, by both the Health & Services and County boards.
- Roxanne said that there were three people interested in the open position on the COAD board. They are:

Margaret Tortesen, who is retired; Carolyn Denman, she was a nurse with an Associates' Degree in Nursing; and Artis Brandenmull, she lives in Richland Center and worked for Independent Living.

- Sharyn said she has dealt with the first person.
- Virginia said she likes Carolyn.
- Larry said he likes either the first or the second person. He said both are good.
- Richard wanted to know if Roxanne had interviewed these people. She said she gave each of them a little background of the board. However, she did not do a formal interview.
- Virginia Wiedenfeld nominated Carolyn Denman for the open board position; Marilyn Marshall seconded. Motion carried.
- Roxanne said the next step is to get approval from both boards for Carolyn.
- **FYI**
- Roxanne told everyone she could not be at the September 14th meeting because of a conflict.
- Sharyn let everyone know that she will not be at the September 14th meeting as she will be at a conference.

11. Schedule Next Meeting:

- Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. in Conference Rooms A & B of the Community Services Building, 221 West Seminary Street, Richland Center, WI 53581.

12. Adjourn:

- Motion to adjourn until Wednesday, September 14, 2016 at 1:00 p.m. was made by Paul Kinney; Marilyn Marshall seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Batten
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