

Richland County Community & Health Services Standing Committee

August 1, 2024

The Richland County Community & Health Services Standing Committee convened on Thursday, August 1, 2024 in person and virtually at 9:30 AM in the County Boardroom of the Richland County Courthouse.

Call To Order: Committee Chair Glasbrenner called the meeting to order at 9:35 AM.

Roll Call: Deputy Clerk Hege conducted roll call. Committee members present: Supervisor Miller, Supervisor Kramer, Supervisor Glasbrenner, Supervisor Harwick, Francis Braithwaite, and Cynthia Chicker. Committee members absent: Supervisor McGuire and Dr. Jerel Berres.

Verification of Open Meetings Law Compliance: Deputy Clerk Hege confirmed the meeting had been properly noticed.

Supervisor Brewer joined the meeting at 9:36 AM.

Approval Of Agenda: Motion by Chicker, second by Kramer to approve agenda. Motion carried and agenda declared approved.

Approval Of Minutes From July 8, 2024 Meeting: Chair Glasbrenner asked if there were any corrections to the minutes from the July 8, 2024 meeting. Hearing none, Chair Glasbrenner declared them approved as published.

Public Comment: None present for Public Comment.

Reports

A. HHS Director: Administrative Report And CHIP Overview: Tricia Clements, Health and Human Services Director presented a brief Administrative Report of the Health and Human Services Department. Director Clements highlighted the fact that the Mental Health Therapist position had been filled. Director Clements also mentioned that Becky Dalberg, Economic Support Specialist with the Health and Human Services department would be retiring soon after serving Richland County for 39 years.

Evan Ewing, Public Health Specialist with the Health and Human Services Department presented the Richland County CHIP Update presentation. Brief discussion ensued.

B. HHS Expenditures Report (Vouchers & Expenditures Over \$2,000 But Less Than \$10,000): Stephanie Ronnfeldt, Health and Human Services Business & Financial Services Manager joined via WebEx and gave a brief explanation of the HHS Expenditures report. Brief discussion ensued.

C. 2024 HHS Budget Summary & Richland County Placement Report: Health and Human Services Business & Financial Services Manager, Stephanie Ronnfeldt joined via WebEx and gave a brief report on the HHS Budget Summary and Richland County Placement Report. Brief discussion ensued.

D. 2025 Budget Overview: Health and Human Services Business & Financial Services Manager, Stephanie Ronnfeldt joined via WebEx and gave a brief overview of the proposed 2025 budget for the Health and Human Services Department. Brief discussion ensued.

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E. Child Support: Administrative Report: Melony Walters, Caseworker/Financial Specialist with the Richland County Child Support Agency presented the Child Support Agency Report, revenue report, and expenditure report to the Committee. Brief discussion ensued.

Contract Approvals:

Bluff and Ridge Assisted Equine Therapies, Inc and Chileda Institute, Inc: Director Clements gave a brief explanation of the proposed contracts. Director Clements explained that these contracts would not need to be forwarded to County Board. Brief discussion ensued. Chair Glasbrenner entertained a motion to approve the contracts with Bluff and Ridge Assisted Equine Therapies, Inc and Chileda Institute, Inc. Motion by Brewer, second by Kramer to approve the contracts with Bluff and Ridge Assisted Equine Therapies, Inc and Chileda Institute, Inc. Motion carried and the contracts with Bluff and Ridge Assisted Equine Therapies, Inc and Chileda Institute, Inc were approved.

Forward Home For Boys: Kayla Williams, Child & Youth Services Manager with the Health and Human Services department gave a brief explanation of the contract. Director Clements explained that this contract would have be forwarded on to County Board for final approval. Brief discussion ensued. Motion by Kramer, second by Harwick to forward the contract on to County Board. Motion carried and the contract with Forward Home For Boys was forwarded to County Board for approval.

Discussion & Possible Action: Creation Of An Economic Support Supervisor Position: Briana Turk, Economic Support Manager with the Health and Human Services department and Director Clements gave a brief explanation of the proposed position and funding for the position. Director Clements explained that the position would need to be forwarded on to the Executive and Finance Standing Committee and County Board for approval. Brief discussion ensued. Motion by Harwick, second by Miller to approve creation of an Economic Support Supervisor Position. Motion carried and creation of an Economic Support Supervisor Position was approved.

Cynthia Chicker left the meeting at 10:27 AM.

Correspondence: None

Future Agenda Items: HHS Director: Administrative Report ARPA Fund Utilization – Director Clements

Adjourn: Committee Chair Glasbrenner entertained a motion to adjourn to September 5th, 2024 at 9:30 AM. Motion by Brewer, second by Braithwaite to adjourn. Motion carried and meeting adjourned at 10:31 AM.



Myranda H. Hege
Deputy County Clerk