



**EDUCATION, VETERANS AND AGING SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes – June 16, 2020**

**Call to Order.** Chair Rashkin called the meeting of the Education, Veterans and Aging Services Committee to order at 4:30 P.M. on Tuesday, June 16, 2020 via teleconference.

**Committee Members Present:** Supervisors Rashkin, Pam Bostwick, Peer, Taylor and Wilde.

**Committee Members Absent:** None.

**Staff Members Present:** Randy Terronez, Assistant to the County Administrator; Paula Schutt, Director of Council on Aging; John Solis, Veteran Service Officer; Terri Carlson, Risk Manager.

**Others Present:** None.

**Approval of Agenda.** Supervisor Pam Bostwick moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Peer. ADOPTED.

**Approval of Minutes – May 19, 2020.** Supervisor Taylor moved approval of the minutes from May 19, 2020 as presented, second by Supervisor Pam Bostwick. ADOPTED.

**Citizen Participation, Communications, Announcements, Information.** None.

**Transfers.** None.

**Review of Payments.** The committee accepted the report.

**Resolutions.**

**To Support the U.S. Senate Bill 3020 – “Commitment to Veterans Support and Outreach Act” (CVSO Act)**

“NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2020 support pending legislation, known as the “Commitment to Veterans Support and Outreach Act” (CVSO Act) that authorizes the Federal Veterans Affairs Secretary to enter into contracts with States or to award grants to States to promote health and wellness, prevent suicide, and improve outreach to veterans, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this resolution be directed to the attention of the Governor of the State of Wisconsin, Wisconsin Counties Association

(WCA), Rock County's Federal Legislators, and the National Association of Counties (NACo)."

Supervisor Peer moved approval of the above resolution, second by Supervisor Taylor. ADOPTED.

### **Updates and Possible Action.**

**Status of 1717 Center Avenue Project.** Mr. Terronez said construction bids were received. A resolution should be going to the County Board next Thursday to award the bid on the project. Construction to start soon thereafter. Expected completion is April/May 2021. The General Services committee will be voting on a name for the building soon. The naming resolution will come before the full County Board.

### **Council on Aging.**

**FFCRA and CARE Funding for Nutrition (plan for use).** Ms. Schutt said they have received extra funding for home delivered meals due to COVID; FFCRA \$93,671 and CARES \$207,917. She has reviewed the budget and these funds will get used up. Congregate meals currently are considered home delivered meals because they are grab and go. Ms. Schutt said she would send the committee the most current participation numbers for home delivered and congregate meals.

**Aging Goals.** Ms. Schutt reviewed the goals with the committee. She is talking with GWAAR about how some of the goals can still be met during COVID. They are looking for creative ways to reach their goals. Many items can be done via Zoom. Two leaders have been recruited for Healthy Living, Ms. Schutt being one. She hopes the training won't be cancelled. The Elder Benefit Specialist outreach has currently been cancelled. These goals are for planning purposes and no funding is connected to them. This item will be placed on the August agenda for an update.

**Rock Rebound for Transportation Service.** Ms. Schutt reviewed the rebound plan with the committee. Chair Rashkin asked if there is a fiscal impact. She said the fiscal impact is neutral; they are bringing in less funds but also spending less. Ms. Schutt also reviewed the para-transit requirements with the committee.

**Newsletter Link.** Ms. Schutt encouraged the committee to check out the newsletter. She is very proud of it. 500 color copies of the newsletter are printed for free through the ad service that is used. They are distributed widely amongst the county.

**Update on Council on Aging/ADRC Integration Discussion.** Mr. Terronez provided the background and summary of the integration study. The Integration Advisory committee voted 6-4 in favor of integration. Ms. Schutt thinks the merger is a good idea. Both departments offer very different services. She hopes that if integration does happen that they can be recognized as their own agency and not be under the Human Services Board. She doesn't want the senior services to get overlooked.

**Committee Requests and Motions.** None.

**Adjournment.** Supervisor Wilde moved adjournment at 5:21 P.M., second by Supervisor Peer. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Tracey VanZandt,

Human Resources Secretary

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