

EDUCATION, VETERANS AND AGING SERVICES COMMITTEE Minutes – March16, 2021

<u>Call to Order</u>. Chair Rashkin called the meeting of the Education, Veterans and Aging Services Committee to order at 5:01 P.M. on Tuesday, March 16, 2021 via teleconference.

<u>Committee Members Present</u>: Supervisors Rashkin, Pam Bostwick, Wilde (5:04 P.M.), Peer (5:04 P.M.) and Taylor.

Committee Members Absent: None.

Staff Members Present: Paula Schutt, Director of Council on Aging; Terri Carlson, Risk Manager; Julie Seeman, COA Caregiver Specialist; Jennifer McIlhone, Mobility Manager; John Solis, Veteran Services Officer; Randy Terronez, Assistant to the Administrator; and Haley Hoffman, Office Coordinator.

Others Present: None.

<u>Approval of Agenda.</u> Supervisor Taylor moved approval of the agenda as presented, second by Supervisor Bostwick. ADOPTED.

<u>Approval of Minutes – February 16, 2021.</u> Supervisor Bostwick moved approval of the minutes from February 16, 2021 as presented, second by Supervisor Taylor. ADOPTED.

<u>Citizen Participation, Communications, Announcements, Information.</u> Haley Hoffman, new Office Coordinator in the County Administrator's Office was introduced.

Transfers. None.

Review of Payments. Supervisor Bostwick posed a question about payment to Green County for mileage. Paula Schutt clarified that the Council on Aging contracts with Green County when a Meals on Wheels recipient is close to the Green County/Rock County line. The committee accepted the report.

Updates and Possible Action

Report on Mobility Management. Ms. Schutt introduced Jennifer McIlhone, Mobility Manager. Ms. McIlhone shared her job duties with the committee.

Report on 2021 Aging Plan. Ms. Schutt provided an update on the County Aging Plan. The County Aging Plan is up and running. Ms. Schutt indicated that they are looking for participants to fill out the survey associated with the County Aging Plan that is located on the Council on Aging's website. The survey results will help with updating the County Aging Plan.

Update on Nutrition Program. Ms. Schutt provided an update on the Nutrition Program Supervisor recruitment. They have received applications and will be interviewing starting next week.

<u>Possible resolution supporting State budget proposals.</u> Supervisor Wilde referenced a conversation had at committee on February 16, 2021 regarding legislation regarding caregiver support. Supervisor Wilde discussed the importance of a resolution coming from the Education, Veterans and Aging Services Committee. All committee members agreed and expressed support for this potential resolution. Supervisor Wilde agreed to work with the Administrator's Office to compose a resolution.

<u>VA Compensation Benefits.</u> John Solis provided an update to the committee on VA compensation benefits. John Solis informed the committee that veterans can come to the Rock County Veterans Office for assistance applying for compensations benefits and other programs.

<u>Committee Requests and Motions.</u> Supervisor Bostwick inquired who works more with caregivers in regards to the possible resolution supporting caregiver support reference in above item 7.A.4.. Supervisor Bostwick requested that Julie Seeman, COA Caregiver Specialist, assist with the possible resolution. Julie Seeman and Paula Schutt agreed.

Adjournment. Supervisor Bostwick moved adjournment at 6:00 P.M., second by Supervisor Peer. ADOPTED.

Respectfully submitted,

Haley Hoffman Office Coordinator

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