HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE

March 1, 2011

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Supervisors Bussie, Fizzell, Beaver

<u>COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT</u>: Supervisors Fox and Johnson

<u>STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT</u>: Sherry Gunderson, Rock Haven Administrator; Tom Berner, Materials Manager; David Hayes, Food Service Manager.

OTHERS PRESENT: Jim Haseman, Volunteer Ombudsman; Warren Rudolph, Resident Council.

<u>CALL TO ORDER/APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u> - Chair Bussie called the meeting of the Rock County Health Services Committee to order with a quorum present at 3:04 p.m. in the Rock Haven Classroom. Supervisors Fizzell and Beaver moved approval of the agenda. ADOPTED.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES - February 15, 2011</u> - Supervisors Beaver and Fizzell moved approval of both the Health Services Committee minutes and the Joint General Services and Health Services Committee meeting minutes of February 15. ADOPTED.

INTRODUCTION OF CITIZENS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - Mr. Haseman feels strongly that a new facility is needed. With the population aging, he foresees the need for highly skilled nursing service only growing in the coming years. He is happy to see the Committee feels the same. Chair Bussie agrees a new facility is necessary but admits the cost is a little disconcerting. Ms. Gunderson said placing Rock County residents elsewhere would end up costing the County more. Randy Terronez will be sharing information reflecting such costs at the County Board meeting. Mr. Fizzell requested all County Board members get a copy of the information as he is concerned about the huge cuts the Governor is proposing in health care for the elderly and developmentally disabled.

Chair Bussie welcomed Mary Beaver as a new member of the Health Services Committee.

<u>BILLS</u> - Supervisors Fizzell and Beaver moved to pay the bills totaling \$16,432.06. ADOPTED.

<u>BUDGET TRANSFERS</u> - Supervisors Beaver and Fizzell moved the budget transfers necessary to make adjustments to the 2010 Budget. ADOPTED.

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PRE-APPROVED ENCUMBRANCE/ENCUMBRANCES - None.

OLD BUSINESS

<u>Design Development Plans</u> - Ms. Gunderson shared the tentative schedule for the RH Project. (see attached).

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution Approving 2011 Employment Contract and Salary Increase for Ram Rao, M.D. - Supervisors Fizzell and Beaver moved to approve the resolution. ADOPTED. Upon the request of Chair Bussie, who had received several questions regarding the contract, Ms. Gunderson will prepare an Executive Summary to be attached to the resolution for presentation to the County Board Staff Committee and the County Board.

Resolution Recognizing Julie Haese for Service to Rock Haven - Supervisors Bussie and Beaver moved to approve the resolution recognizing Ms. Haese for her 20+ years of service. ADOPTED.

<u>Contract - Ram Rao, M.D.</u> - Supervisors Fizzell and Beaver moved to approve the contract with Dr. Rao for physician and Medical Director services. ADOPTED.

Annual Nursing Home Survey - State surveyors arrived last week to conduct the health care side of the annual survey. That visit resulted in only one minor cite which has already been corrected. The engineering surveyor arrived today. Ms. Gunderson will report on his findings next month. Ms. Gunderson said surveyors were very complimentary of Rock Haven. The Committee asked that Ms. Gunderson convey to staff, "A job well done."

<u>WAHSA and WACH Updates</u> - Ms. Gunderson attended the Wisconsin Association of Homes and Services for the Aging (WAHSA) and Wisconsin Association of County Homes (WACH) meetings recently. The majority of discussion revolved around the Governor's budget and collective bargaining. Medicaid cuts are expected to deal quite a blow to community programming eligibility. Wisconsin nursing homes face a two-year Medicaid rate freeze.

<u>REPORTS</u> - The current census is 127. Ms. Gunderson highlighted this month's activities and conferences. The next Resident Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 9 at 10:15 a.m. Mr. Sudmeier was not available to attend today's meeting but Ms. Gunderson reported everything is looking fine thus far.

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<u>NEXT MEETING DATE</u> - The next regular meeting of the Health Services Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, April 5, at 3:00 p.m. in the Rock Haven Classroom. Supervisor Beaver will arrive early to tour the facility.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> - Supervisors Fizzell and Beaver moved to adjourn the meeting. ADOPTED. The meeting adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Terri Fena

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