## **HEALTH SERVICES COMMITTEE**

## **November 3, 2009**

PRESENT: Supervisors Bussie, Joiner, Fizzell, Kuznacic and Johnson

ABSENT: None

ALSO PRESENT: Sherry Gunderson, David Sudmeier, Ginger Katzman, Tom Berner, David Hayes, Sandy Shea, Brent Sutherland

<u>CALL TO ORDER/APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u> - Chair Bussie called the meeting of the Rock County Health Services Committee to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Rock Haven Classroom. Supervisors Fizzell and Johnson moved approval of the agenda. ADOPTED.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 6, 2009</u> - Supervisors Joiner and Kuznacic moved approval of the minutes of October 6, 2009. ADOPTED.

INTRODUCTION OF CITIZENS, COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - Warren Rudolph, RH council, and Jim Haseman, Volunteer Ombudsman.

BILLS - Supervisors Fizzell and Kuznacic moved to pay the bills totaling \$7,526.97.

BUDGET TRANSFERS - None.

PRE-APPROVED ENCUMBRANCES/ENCUMBRANCES - None.

**OLD BUSINESS - None** 

## NEW BUSINESS

Resolution Recognizing Sandy Shea - Supervisors Fizzell and Johnson moved to approve the resolution recognizing Ms. Shea for 35+ years of service to Rock Haven as Program Services Supervisor. ADOPTED.

<u>Resolution Recognizing Janet Sessler</u> - Supervisors Joiner and Kuznacic moved to approve the resolution recognizing Ms. Sessler for 27+ years of service to Rock Haven as Administrative Secretary. ADOPTED.

Resolution Authorizing Purchase of Furniture - Supervisors Kuznacic and Joiner moved to approve the purchase of eight chairs, four sofas and six recliners from Weiland Furniture. ADOPTED. Ms. Gunderson said four of the six recliners are being purchased from the donation fund.

<u>Establishing Paper Product Vendors</u> - Supervisors Johnson and Kuznacic moved to accept bids from Reinhart for single fold towels and toilet paper; Messner for rolled hand towels; and San-A-Care for can liners. ADOPTED.

<u>Contracts - Dental Hygienists</u> - Supervisor Fizzell and Chair Bussie moved to approve the contracts with Angie Stone and Kirstin Catlin-Friedrich. ADOPTED. Ms. Gunderson stated their services are reimbursed by Medicaid.

<u>Contract - Debra Schneider</u> - Ms. Schneider works for Dean Riverview and at times she is asked by doctors there to come see their residents who reside at Rock Haven. This is a long-standing contract. Ms. Schneider's services are billed through Riverview Clinic. Supervisors Joiner and Johnson moved to approve the contract. ADOPTED.

<u>Contract - Madison Area Technical College (MATC)</u> - The contract is for a dietary student to come do clinicals at Rock Haven. Supervisors Fizzell and Joiner moved to approve the contract. There is no cost involved. ADOPTED.

WAHSA Reimbursement Seminar Update - Ms. Gunderson distributed a detailed handout of what has transpired with Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement and what changes can be expected next year. Due to changes being made in reportable data on the Minimum Data Set (MDS), it is anticipated facilities will see a significant drop in Medicaid reimbursement effective April 1, 2010. Rock County nursing homes took a 4.77% cut in Medicare reimbursement on October 1, 2009 due to an adjustment in the labor region-wage index. With the new version of MDS and RUGs, it is anticipated nursing homes will see a decrease in reimbursement for about 40 percent of their Medicare residents. Rock Haven has about eight Medicare residents on any given day. Ms. Gunderson said this has made it extremely difficult to plan for 2010.

<u>Complaint Visit</u> - The visit on October 15 pertained to two resident care issues. Both complaints were unsubstantiated. Supervisor Johnson said she'd heard a complaint that the facility was short staffed. Ms. Gunderson said Rock Haven continues to staff above the levels of most nursing homes.

## REPORTS

Census - The current census is 129. A admission is planned for tomorrow.

<u>Activities</u> - The Senior Management Team is preparing for holiday events within the limits of H1N1 awareness. This year the facility will not encourage children to come in to do Christmas programs. The facility will also cancel its "Breakfast with Santa" for employees' children. St. Mary's Church in Milton

will not be holding its annual Christmas party where teenagers came to the facility to distribute gifts. Instead they will be dropping the gifts off. There will, however, be other adult groups coming in to conduct holiday programs.

Ms. Gunderson stressed that this is being done to protect Rock Haven residents. She also notes that there has been a fair amount of staff illness as many have school age children who have brought the virus home. The facility continues to maintain good surveillance by promoting proper hand washing technique, the use of antibacterial wipes, and the use of good judgment in preventing the spread of the virus.

Staff education for the month will include an inservice on schizophrenia.

The next Resident Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 11, Veterans Day. Resident veterans will be honored at that time.

Ms. Gunderson will be attending WAHSA conferences on November 4, 13 and 19. She will also be attending a WACH meeting on November 20.

<u>Finance</u> - Mr. Sudmeier was not able to provide a quarterly report at this time since new accounting system changes were implemented in October and files still haven't been updated. He hopes to have the report available next month.

<u>NEXT MEETING</u> - December 1, 2009. Chair Bussie suggested Ms. Gunderson put the following on next month's agenda: "Information and Possible Action: Resolution To Proceed With Schematic Design of a New Facility."

ADJOURNMENT - Supervisors Fizzell and Joiner moved to adjourn the meeting. ADOPTED. The meeting adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Terri Fena

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