

The Red Lake County Welfare Board met on Wednesday, May 15, 2024 at 4:00 pm and adjourned at 5:05 pm.

The following Board members were present:

Ron Weiss
Al Remick
Anthony Flage
Eric Mickelson

General Business:

Approval of Agenda:

Commissioner Flage moved to approve the agenda.

Commissioner Remick seconded the motion.

Upon being put to a voice vote, the motion prevailed all yeas and no nays.

Reading of the Minutes

Commissioner Remick moved to approve the April 17, 2024 Social Service's board meeting minutes as presented.

Commissioner Flage seconded the motion.

Upon being put to a voice vote, the motion prevailed all yeas and no nays.

Administrative Bills:

Commissioner Remick moved to approve the administrative bills as presented.

Commissioner Mickelson seconded the motion.

Upon being put to a voice vote, the motion prevailed all yeas and no nays.

Informational Items:

Director Nelson, asked for constituent concerns to be brought forward. No concerns were raised. Director Nelson provided a director's summary since the previous board meeting.

Director Nelson discussed transportation issues surrounding a system change that occurred the following year. The system was now able to deny claims not meeting the required system change as of January 1, 2024. This has resulted in a denial of claims for MA transportation services paid by the county. Each individual driver is required to have an UMPI number in order to bill for services. Trivalley is working to resolve the issues. The change made by DHS is yet another example of a policy set that exacerbates the already dwindling services in rural areas which appears to be a trend from the current administration at DHS.

Director Nelson reported that UCARE audit had been completed. This is the second consecutive year that RLCSS has scored 100% on audits. As a result, our agency is considered to meet a "High Performer" status and RLCSS will not be audited in 2025.

Director Nelson provided information regarding a GRH complex notification that was received accidentally by DHS on an apartment complex within RLC. This was not authorized by the county lead agency. Nor did any party including DHS make RLCSS aware at any time during the licensing process that this was occurring. Further research is being done as to whether this is allowable and how this occurred without notification of any kind.

Director Nelson reported that the home and community-based services (HCSB) audit was scheduled for July 2024.

Director Nelson provided an update on a disputed MH hospitalization bill received from DHS. It appears that the dispute was settled on the originally agreed upon amount which had already been paid in full. Several disputed days have not been rebilled to the county.

Director Nelson provided updates on MACSSA Workgroup Participation. Currently Red Lake County has staff participating in three MACSSA workgroups. Penny Grove is serving on the SSIS Partnership Founding Executive Committee. Peggy Nord is serving on the Health Care Eligibility Advisory Committee. Kristi Nelson is serving on the Community First Services and Supports Committee.

Discussion/Decision Items:

Director Nelson reviewed a proposed contract with HSL Consulting LLC to provide clinical supervision, and training to staff.

Commissioner Flage motioned to move forward with the contract.

Commissioner Mickelson seconded the motion.

Upon being put to a voice vote, the motion prevailed all yeas and no nays.

Agency Unit Reports:

Handouts reviewed.

BE IT RESOLVED, the foregoing record is a true and accurate re-cording of the official actions and recommendations of the county welfare Board and as such, constitutes the official minutes thereof. Payment of assistance relief and claims indicated in those minutes is hereby ordered. The question was on the adoption of the resolution; and the roll being called there were 4 YEAS and 0 NAYS as follows:

Ron Weiss	YEA
Al Remick	YEA
Eric Mickelson	YEA
Tony Gerardy	YEA

Meeting Date: The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 17, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Social Services Building.

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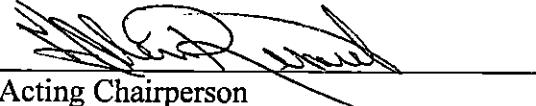
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