

**Senior Millage Allocation Committee**  
**Friday December 4, 2015 8:00 a.m.**  
Calhoun County Garden Level Conference Room  
315 West Green Street, Marshall, MI 49068

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**MINUTES**

**Call to Order/Roll Call: Jim Haadsma at 8:04 a.m. and Roll Called**

**Attending: Rod Auton, Mike Bearman, Jill Booth, Jim Haadsma, Art Kale, Joanne Konkle, Ralph Moore, Jim Powers, Carla Reynolds and Teresa Schell and Willie Tabb**

**Absent Excused: Shirley Clutter and Dianne (Willy) Kalnins**

**County Personal: Carl Gibson, Senior Services Director and staff, Rodna Stealy and Lora Stevens**

**Visitors: Linda Grap, Senior Health Partners; Bev Bentley, Albion Citizen; Tom Hunsdorfer, Forks Senior Center Interim Director**

**December Agenda –Powers and Konkle: Motion, Second and Approved - *Motion Carried***

**Minutes for November 6, 2015 – Booth and Moore: Motion, Second and Approved - *Motion Carried***

**Introductions and Citizens Time:** Carl Gibson introduced Linda Grap from Senior Health Partners; Tom Hunsdorfer, Forks Senior Center Interim Director. Hunsdorfer is focused on helping the FSC decide what to do with its future. Bev Bentley, member of the Albion Historical Society and an advocate for seniors in the Albion area.

**Contract Spending:**

- ✓ Gibson reviewed vendors and their amounts spend this year. Most are up to date or will be sending the last of their invoices in for 2015.
- ✓ Senior Services administration expenditures are not finished till the end of the year.
- ✓ Discussion was made about the Senior Vouchers for Prescriptions with CHC.

**Motion to accept Contract Spending Report – Tabb and Auton: Motion, Second and Approved – *Motion Carried***

**OLD Business**

**Fund Balance:**

- ✓ Gibson and Booth discussed the handout that gave the total being spend for 2015
- ✓ \$250,000 drawn down this year on the fund balance which was needed
- ✓ Encumber Grants for 2015
  - Forks Senior Center – Director salary and planning (\$10,000)
  - Telephone Reassurance program – on hold (\$7,500)
  - AAA Rgn #3B – Home/Safety and repair (\$5,000 – matching funds)
  - Grace Health – increased dental services (\$2,000)
  - City of Marshall – Transportation- Connector Van Match Grant (\$5,000)
  - Holland Park - No plans to approve this grant until we are told what it will be used for and who receives the check (\$10,000)
  - \$39,500 total for 2015

**Motion to accept Fund Balance Report – Tabb and Auton: Motion, Second and Approved – *Motion Carried***

**By-Law Review:**

Gibson and Booth discussed the proposed changes that have been handed out

- ✓ Discuss and Review
- ✓ No changes until February SMAC meeting, approved changes will be send to Calhoun County BOC for approval in February.

**Motion to Approve By-Law Document As Is; to be reviewed by SMAC members and formally approved at the February SMAC meeting: Bearman and Powers: Motion, Second and Approved - *Motion Carried***

**Forks Senior Center (FSC) update:**

- ✓ Director Gina Costa resigned and Tom Hunsdorfer has become Interim Director.
- ✓ FSC is the focal center for Seniors on this side of Calhoun County
- ✓ Options as to having the FSC Director be an employee of the County or AAA, which would give this position a salary with benefits. If this happened, how would future Senior Centers be managed and by whom.
- ✓ If County Employee who would pay for the salary benefits – County or Millage?
- ✓ Discussion on how and who is to manage the center for the long term, FSC needs guidance, possible parent organization/partnership. Maybe a satellite center to Kool Family Center in Battle Creek.
- ✓ FSC Board has two SMAC representatives, Tabb and Konkle; they voiced their concerns that FSC board is might lose their autonomy, or maybe this board be dissolved? Would it become an advisor board to AAA or County? Also expressed the need for growth to reach more seniors in the Albion and Homer areas.
- ✓ FSC Board By-laws state only 3 non-members can be on their board. (FSC By-law review is needed in the near future.)
- ✓ Looking at other services coming into the building to support more seniors in this area. (i.e. senior day care for this side of the County)
- ✓ Hunsdorfer commented that the greater Albion area has the lowest income of our County. This group of older Americans associated with FSC is passionate about the future of the center.
- ✓ Gibson needs a committee to help move this forward – Sub Committee Kale, Konkle, Tabb and Bearman

**Motion to Approve a Sub-Committee to discuss FSC future regarding the sustainability of the FSC: Kale and Booth: Motion, Second and Approved - *Motion Carried***

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- ✓ 2016 SMAC Meeting Schedule

**Motion to Approve 2016 SMAC Meeting Schedule: Moore and Booth: Motion, Second and Approved - *Motion Carried***

**Directors Report:**

- ✓ Handout presented
- ✓ Guardian Finance & Advocacy – Transfer of \$2,000 to Guardian Money Management funds account to Finance and Advocacy account, a shift to transfer unspent dollars within the contract, no new funds requested.
- ✓ Grace Health requesting \$5,000 to supplement the current Dental Contract to complete treatment plans already in place.

- ✓ Community HealthCare Connection merging HAF and Rx Vouchers into a combined grant and end the PDAP contract, no additional funding proposed.
- ✓ Forks Senior Center – SMAC to determine the level of support for the Center and hiring of a Director. Reimbursement for meal site rental, FSC is the only site currently in the County that pays for rental space.
- ✓ Fountain Clinic – requesting and additional grant for 2016 as needs for services continue to increase, recommended approving an additional \$15,000.
- ✓ Legal Services- demand for legal and document needs exceeds funding and requesting an additional \$5,000 for 2016.
- ✓ Hands On grant request for up to \$10,000 for 2016. This is not a new grant request, but they will need to fill out a written application request for 2016.
- ✓ Senior Health Partners –\$25,000 continued partnership for 2016. \$10,000 additional for Caregiver, Health fitness activities to central and rural meal sites and living centers - hold until need is determined in 2016.

**Approval for above actions (stated in green on worksheet): Bearman and Tabb:** Motion, Second and Approved – *Motion*

**(Fund Balance Committee will be working forward with all grant requests and presenting them to SMAC and Sub-committee will be meeting about the FSC employment position.)**

**EDUCATION: Dr. Ray Higbea – Evaluation of dental services program.**

- ✓ Discussed his current findings and trends for dental services in Calhoun County.
- ✓ Full written analysis by the end for the year.
- ✓ Haadsma state this will be a very helpful tool to use at township meetings to show them accurate information.

**Adjournment at 9:36 a.m. - Kale and Bearman:** Motion, Second and Approved - *Motion Carried*

**Next SMAC Board meeting – February 5, 2016, Friday at 8:00 a.m. at Calhoun County Building Garden Level Conference Room**

	<p><b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b></p> <p>Questions regarding the minutes may be answered prior to the next meeting by contacting Calhoun County the Office of Senior Services at 269-781-0846</p>
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