MINUTES
HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, November 19, 2026
TIME: 5:00 PM
PLACE: Edgewater Haven Nursing Home – Conference Room

MEMBERS PRESENT: Donna Rozar, Tom Buttke, Linda Casper, Lee Thao, Laura Valenstein, Marie Topping, Amy Kuhlka, Rachel Stankowski (WebEx, arrived at 5:18 PM)

MEMBER EXCUSED: Dr. Tim Golemgeski,

OTHERS PRESENT: Trent Miner, County Clerk; See attached sign-in list.

1. Chair Rozar called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM and opened the public hearing for the 85.21 Transportation Program.

2. There were no public comments related to the public hearing.

3. Human Services Community Resources Supervisor, Olivia Lloyd, provided a report on the transportation program, highlighting the number of rides given and for what purpose, as well as other statistics. She also reviewed the 2027 proposed effective coordination plan. Motion by Buttke/Topping to approve and submit the application for the 85.21 Transportation Program. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Chair Rozar closed the 85.21 public hearing.

5. Chair Rozar declared a quorum of the committee present.

6. There were no public comments.

7. The consent agenda was reviewed and items discussed. Motion by Thao/Valenstein to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Employees from the Health Dept., along with a representative from the North Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, presented the Wood County Transportation Feasibility Study to the committee. They reviewed various sections of the report discussing demographics, need assessments, and discussed the tentative recommendations on how to provide a countywide transportation system along with a funding mechanism. The committee took no action and will wait for further information on costs and funding.

9. Norwood Administrator Kornack stated the state reviewed and approved the plans for the water system replacement. Tentative bid letting will be early in 2027.

10. Edgewater Haven Administrator Cieslewicz, along with Kurt Berner from Samuels Group reviewed the current and updated plans for the proposed CBRF along with cost estimates. The committee will need to consider whether or not to have a construction manager or a general contractor for this type of project. The decision does not have to be made immediately, but certainly before bid letting. The plans are ready to be submitted to the state by the end of November. The state approval process can take 5-12 months. Motion by Buttke/Casper to approve the plans and estimates as presented, and to submit the plans to the state, pending review and affirmative vote of the Property & Information Technology (PIT) Committee. Motion carried unanimously. This will appear on the December 7, 2026, PIT Committee agenda.

11. Cieslewicz reported that a community advisory committee needed to be a part of the process of the construction/remodel for the CBRF. There will be a public hearing that will be scheduled before the January meeting being held at Edgewater Haven, which will comply with this mandate.

12. Human Services Director Vruwink presented a tuition reimbursement request to an employee working on getting their clinical health therapist degree within the department. The request conforms to county policy mandates. Motion by Valenstein/Thao to approve the request as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

13. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, December 17, 2026, at Wood County Annex & Health Center – Marshfield.

14. Motion by Topping/Casper to move into closed session pursuant to Wis Stats 19.85(1)(c) to conduct performance evaluations for the department heads they oversee. Motion carried unanimously.

15. Motion by Buttke/Thao to return to open session. Motion carried unanimously.

16. Chair Rozar declared the meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM.

Minutes taken by Trent Miner, County Clerk, and are in draft form until approved at the next meeting.

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NAME	REPRESENTING
Katie Miloch	Human Services
Darry Landeau	NCWRPC
Brandon Vruwink	Human Services
Marissa Karnack	Norwood
JUSTIN CIESLEWICZ	EDGEWATER
Bill Clendenning	County Board Dist 15
Emily Oetzman	Health Department
Kayleigh Mengel	Health Department
Nick Flanagan	Corp. Counsel
Kurt Berner	Samuels Group
Rock Larson	CVSO
Kristie Eggo	Health Dept
Macy Dedin	Edgewater Haven
Olivia Lloyd (will Later)	Human Services Hum Ser
Mary Schlagenhaft (W06E)	Human Services
Lance Plind (W06E)	CB Chair