

CHIPPEWA COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES
BOARD MEETING
September 7, 2023
MDHHS Conference Room

Board Meeting Called to Order.

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Christy Curtis

Roll Call

Present: Tom Boger, Christy Curtis, Director Rose, Leann Thompson

Approval of Agenda:

Christy Curtis motioned to approve the agenda, supported by Tom Boger. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Christy Curtis motioned to approve minutes from August, supported by Tom Boger. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

None

Contracts:

MDHHS Presentation:

Justin Teeple was scheduled, but unable to make it, will reschedule him for 10/5/2023 meeting.

County Budget:

August 2023 budget was reviewed.

Christy Curtis motioned to approve the budget, supported by Tom Boger. Motion carried.

County Hospitalization:

None

Old Business:

County Hospitalization Fund - Guidelines on how it can be used:

Director Rose gave an update on the guidelines of how county hospitalization fund is used; is a funding source around county medical facilities or county run hospitals. The counties would access these funds; we are not obligated to have county hospitalization as a line item as we do not have a county medical facility or county run hospital. The money earmarked in county hospitalization on our budget report, can be added to the residents/general fund, eliminating the county hospitalization line item. Will revise the budget report to reflect this change when we set the new budget for 2024.

New Business:

None

Board Comments:

None

Director's Update:

Discussion was held on:

- Child welfare stats – August information – CPS ongoing 33 open, referrals 80 with 28 assigned. Foster care caseload 70; 70 open which 60 are foster care setting, no youth in residential setting.
- Native American cases = 12.
- Adult protective services cases – will have a report in future months.
- Assistance payments – redeterminations completed June 91.9%, July 71%, August 62.86%.
- Discussion on recent incident at MSP; MDHHS office closure on 9/6, soft lockdown on 9/7
- Staffing update with overtime update.
- A meeting is being scheduled Oct 31, as Director Hertel is travelling to the UP to speak with CW supervisors in an open conversation.
- Child Protective Legal Representation Task Force is coming to Sault Ste. Marie as part of their listening tour – discussion will be held on challenges faced by families and solutions.

Next Meeting

October 5, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment

Motion by Tom Boger to adjourn, supported by Christy Curtis. Motion carried. Adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Christ M. C. 10/5/23

Christy Curtis – Chairperson

Date

Leann Thompson

Prepared by: Leann Thompson
