

CHIPPEWA COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES
BOARD MEETING
MDHHS – Board Room
10-16-2020

Call to Order

Meeting was held via teleconference due to COVID-19
Tom Kelly called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: Tom Kelly, Christy Curtis, Jack Kibble, Lisa Davis, and Jennifer Dunton

Approval of Agenda with amendments:

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

Approval of Previous Minutes

Tom Kelly motioned, supported by Jack Kibble to approve the minutes of the September meeting as written. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

None

Contracts:

Contact No. MA20000001399 was motioned to approve by Tom Kelly and supported by Jack Kibble. Motion carried.

MDHHS Presentation:

None

County Budget

September 2020 Budget was reviewed.

Motion by Christy Curtis to approve insurance payment for client in the amount of \$201.51, supported by Jack Kibble. Motion carried.

Motion by Jack Kibble, supported by Tom Kelly to approve the purchase of 17 foster parent Christmas gift cards @ \$50.00 each = \$850.00. Motion carried.

Motion by Jack Kibble, supported by Tom Kelly to approve the purchase of 22 foster children Christmas gift cards @ \$50.00 each = \$1100.00, plus an additional FP Christmas gift card @ \$50.00 totaling \$1150.00. Motion carried.

Motion by Jack Kibble, supported by Tom Kelly to approve the purchase of a gift card in the amount of \$200 for foster parents for recognition request. Motion carried.

Old Business

None

New Business:

Christy Curtis' term expires 10/31/2020.

Christy Curtis would like to seek re-appointment; Leann Thompson will follow up with Christy on re-application process.

Board Comments:

Tom Kelly inquired about issues with evictions; in which Director Davis informed the board about several programs through CAA covering this issue. Continued discussions were held regarding various community needs, including holiday programs.

Discussion was held on how staff were doing; Director Davis shared during a recent meeting she had talked with staff about difficulties working away from others and the stressors they are experiencing. Some additional staff have been allowed into the office to work for periods of time as necessary for their performance or other needs.

Director's Update:

Discussion was held on:

- Chippewa building lease was signed.
- Building redesign is now scheduled, with new furniture, paint, carpet, security system.
- Budget/allocations should be released soon.
- There are staff/managers that are eligible for retirement, and preparations and mentoring are being made for those retiring.

Next Meeting

Discussion was held on holding board meetings at an earlier date in the month to allow for check processing. It was decided the first Thursday of the month at 10:00 a.m. starting next meeting.

November 5, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.

Adjournment

Motion by Jack Kibble to adjourn, supported by Tom Kelly. Adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Tom Kelly, Chairperson Date

Jack Kibble, Vice-Chairperson, Date

Christy Curtis, Member Date

Lisa Davis, Director Date