

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE  
Minutes of Meeting  
December 12, 2006  
Kenosha County Administration Building

Committee Members Present: Judy Rossow, Ruth Booth, David Arrington, Ed Kubicki, Bill Grady

Staff Present: Dennis Schultz, Bob Riedl

Others Present: Emily Ayshford, Kenosha News,  
Co. Bd Suprs Anita Faraone and Gabe Nudo

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Judy Rossow, Chairperson.

2. Citizen's Comments

Yolanda Adams spoke as State Director of ULAC. She is concerned about the contract the County has awarded in the past with Superior Health Linens and because of the safety concerns to their employees. She also received the packet that Unite Here mailed out. The packet raises a lot of safety concerns. The County needs to be contracting with employers with good records.

3. Resolution in Support of Governor's Budget to Give Long-Term Care Workers a Living Wage by 5% Increase in MA

Dennis Schultz said that the Dept. of Human Services supports this resolution. This is for the 2007 State budget. Ed Kubicki added that LTC workers have not received an increase for 5 years or longer. It is due diligence on our part to support this.

MOTION to approve by David Arrington, seconded by Ruth Booth. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. CLOSED SESSION: Pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(e) Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session.

Ed Kubicki moved and Ruth Booth seconded to go into closed session. Motion carried unanimously.

6. OPEN SESSION

It was moved to return to open session by Ed Kubicki and seconded by David Arrington. Motion carried unanimously.

Bill Grady stated that members of this Committee, along with Kenosha County Administration, attended a tour of the Superior Health Linens facility. Committee members have also reviewed Superior Health Linens' response to the allegations brought against them. Mr. Grady moved to continue with the contract as presented for 2007. Ruth Booth seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Such Other Business as Authorized by Law - None

8. Committee Members Comments

Ruth Booth stated that she cannot be contacted at her place of employment for any County business.

9. Adjournment

It was moved to adjourn by Ed Kubicki, seconded by David Arrington. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Davis  
KCDHS Secretary