

**COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE
OF THE WHOLE
Minutes of the Meeting
Tuesday August 11, 2009
10:00 a.m.
Room 520, Northern Service Center**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 9:44 a.m. by the Chair, Commissioner Nancy Schouweiler. Those in attendance:

Commissioner Joseph A. Harris
Commissioner Kathleen A. Gaylord
Commissioner Thomas Egan
Commissioner Nancy Schouweiler
Commissioner Liz Workman
Commissioner Paul J. Krause
Commissioner Willis E. Branning

Also in attendance were: Dave Rooney, Community Services Division Director, and Jay Stassen, County Attorney's Office.

2. REPORTS

There were no reports.

3. INTRODUCTIONS

There were no introductions.

4. AUDIENCE

Chair Schouweiler asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the committee on an item not on the agenda or if anyone wished to discuss an item on the Consent Agenda. No one appeared.

At this time item 7.2 was presented.

7.2 Update On Community Health Assessment And Action Planning (CHAAP) Process

Bonnie Brueshoff, Director of Public Health, explained the purpose of the CHAAP program, the role of the Human Services Advisory Committee, and the program timeline. Gina Adasiewicz, Public Health Supervisor, Community Assessment and Response, presented details of five Community Health Profiles: Chronic Disease, Tobacco, Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Alcohol and Other Drugs. Ms. Adasiewicz concluded with the program schedule for September, October, and November. This was an information item; no action was requested.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Branning, seconded by Commissioner Workman, and passed on a 7-0 vote to approve the agenda.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Krause, seconded by Commissioner Egan, and passed on a 7-0 vote to approve the following Consent Agenda.

6.1 Minutes of the July 14, 2009 meeting

6.2 Authorization To Execute Grant Agreement With U. S. Department Of Justice, Bureau Of Justice Assistance, For Dakota County Adult Drug Court Program, And To Amend 2009 Community Corrections Budget To Add 1.0 FTE And Program Dollars Per Grant Awarded

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 09-043 (January 20, 2009), the County Board authorized submission of a grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for the 2009 Drug Court Discretionary Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the grant application requested funding for a 1.0 FTE drug court coordinator/probation officer and funding for drug testing, training and materials for the Adult Drug Court Program for high-risk offenders who are chemically dependent and are in need of services; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County has been awarded grant funds from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance to provide a 1.0 FTE drug court coordinator/probation officer, training, and drug testing for indigent offenders participating in the Dakota County Adult Drug Court program, in the amount of \$350,000 over a three-year period from September 1, 2009 through August 31, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Community Services Director to execute a grant agreement with the U. S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for the Adult Drug Court program, in the amount of the grant awarded for the period from September 1, 2009 through August 31, 2012, subject to approval by the County Attorney's office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2009 Community Corrections budget is hereby amended as follows:

Expense	
1.0 FTE Probation Officer (4 months)	
Salary	\$19,512
Health Insurance	6,208
FICA	1,493
PERA	1,317
Other Benefits	107
Staff Travel	733
Staff Training	146
Office Support	333
Equipment	6,700
Total Expense	\$36,549
Revenue	
Federal Revenue-Drug Court	\$36,549
Total Revenue	\$36,549

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the continuation of the 1.0 FTE drug court coordinator/probation office position is contingent upon continued availability of grant funding.

6.3 Adoption Of 2009 Community Corrections Chemical Dependency Assessment Fee

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Legislature amended Minn. Stat. § 169A.284, Chemical Dependency Assessment Charge Surcharge, reducing the chemical dependency assessment charge from \$125 to \$25 and eliminating the language which states the county shall collect and keep \$100 of the chemical dependency assessment charge; and

WHEREAS, this statute was further amended to state that when a court sentences a person convicted of an offense enumerated in section 169A.70, subdivision 2, it shall order the person to pay the cost of the assessment directly to the entity conducting the assessment or providing the assessment services, in an amount determined by the entity conducting or providing the service; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 244.18, Local Correctional Fees, Imposition On Offenders, does allow a local correctional agency to establish a schedule of local correctional fees to charge persons under the supervision and control of the local correctional agency to defray costs associated with correctional services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts a 2009 Chemical Dependency Assessment fee of \$100 for those offenders who are court ordered to complete such an assessment as defined in Minn. Stat. § 169A.284, and where such assessment is completed by Community Corrections staff.

6.4 Adoption of 2009 Juvenile Services Center Per Diem For Minnesota Department Of Corrections

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 08-532 (November 25, 2008), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners approved the 2009 Juvenile Services Center (JSC) per diem rates of \$248 for Minnesota counties, and \$429.43 for all other governmental units; and

WHEREAS, though JSC per diem revenues for the first half of 2009 are higher than expected, the market for juvenile secure beds continues to change as governmental units put budget controls in place; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Corrections (DOC) has requested the Minnesota counties per diem rate of \$248 to purchase beds JSC beds throughout 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts a 2009 Juvenile Services Center per diem rate of \$248 for placements made by the Minnesota Department of Corrections.

7. REGULAR AGENDA

7.1 Update On Community Services Guidelines For Serving Homeless Families And Individuals And Discussion Of The Housing Subsidy Study

Patrick Coyne, Director of Social Services, introduced this item. Deb Miller, Management Analyst, Office of Planning and Analysis, presented highlights of the study including the purpose, policy questions, Dakota County Profiles (economic and funding, homelessness, clients), Dakota County Policy (statutory obligations, current policies, current practices), Dakota County Context (metro area county levy overview, benchmarking findings), Dakota County Implications (policy questions, policy options, practice considerations). At the next meeting (September 1) staff will present policy options and considerations for the Guidelines. This was an information item; no action was requested.

Commissioner Branning exited the meeting at 10:50.

7.3 State-County Results, Accountability, And Service Delivery Reform Act Update

Dave Rooney, Community Services Division Director, presented the Reform Act history, details of the legislation, and implications and recommendations for Dakota County. This was an information item; no action was requested.

8. COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTORS REPORT

Each Commissioner received a copy of the Director's written report and Dave Rooney, Community Services Division Director, pointed out highlights.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Commissioner Harris, seconded by Commissioner Egan, and passed on a 6-0 vote to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Rolstad
Administrative Coordinator
Community Services Division