

This meeting of the County-Tribal Concerns Committee was called to order at 9:00A.M. in the Peter Christensen Health Care Center meeting room by Chairman Al Bauman, with the following committee members present: Maynard Bedish, Gene Ciszek, Jack Harrison and Sig Hjemvick. Absent: Eric Chapman, Sr. and Elmer Rising Sun. Others present or addressing the committee during this meeting: Bob Kovar, Bob Rickard, Kate Gardner, Karen Schmidt, Kristen Allen and Kris Duening.

Motion by Jack Harrison, seconded by Maynard Bedish to approve the agenda to be discussed in any order by the Chair. All voted aye. Carried.

Motion by Jack Harrison, seconded by Maynard Bedish to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2011 meeting as presented. All voted aye. Carried.

Juvenile Intensive Supervision Program update - Bob Rickard handed out a written report and verbally reviewed the contents with the committee. Juvenile referral numbers continue to remain high compared to the previous year. Mr. Rickard also discussed with the committee the idea of buying armored vests for four employees. This is due to the late night callouts and the recent shooting and stabbing in the local area. Mr. Rickard spoke with the Social Service Committee that recommended talking with the County Tribal Concerns Committee. The County-Tribal Concerns Committee recommended the purchase of the vests and suggested talking to the Social Services Committee for a line item transfer.

Social Services update – Kristen Allen gave an update of the Indian Child Welfare program. Kate Gardner reported on the working relationship and referral program for the Child Death Review Team. Ms. Gardner reported that the Governor’s Budget now has a centralized Income Maintenance Program. The WCA allows for 10 consortium programs. Tribes can join the consortium or stay on their own. Ms. Gardner has several meetings to see where Vilas County would be best suited. The five Income Maintenance workers currently have 450 – 500 cases; the new plan would require IM workers to have 715 cases. Vilas County may lose 3 positions and the fuel assistance person. The County may lose 19% of the County allotment, but not necessarily all IM workers. Tribes will not be affected by this change. The ADRC application has been signed and sent to Madison for their approval.

Health / Community Health update – Pam Pedersen reported there is Hepatitis C training on Thursday at the Peter Christensen Health Center. There have also been outbreaks of gastrointestinal problems at local camps and daycares. Social Services and the Emergency Management have set up a cooling station at the library in Lac du Flambeau.

Bob Kovar discussed the gang issue in the Lac du Flambeau area. The local schools and the coalition have asked a Mr. Chris Questus to speak to local leaders on how to help write ordinances and to help with gang suppression. He will be in the area the week of August 7, 2011.

Animal control issues: Pam Pedersen reported that they have been handling more dog bites within the County. She reported that there was a seminar this afternoon regarding K-9

assisted living. The Committee also discussed that Iron River, MI may take some the dogs that are in abundance or it may be possible that they will be held right in Lac du Flambeau. Gene Ciszek told the Committee that he may go to this meeting.

County Park plan - Nothing presented.

County Highway D update - No response has been received from the Highway Safety Committee regarding the letter sent to them by Al Bauman.

Law Enforcement update: Nothing was presented at this time.

- a. Meeting updates**
- b. Arrest and activity schedule**
- c. Drug enforcement**

Letters and communications: The Committee asked Mr. Rickard to record male/female rather than by race on this reports. The Committee asked for this to be forwarded to the Social Services Board also.

Future agenda items – Nothing was presented.

Set date for next meeting - The next committee meeting is scheduled for 9:00 A.M., Thursday, August 25, 2011 at the Peter Christensen Health Care Center.

Motion by Gene Ciszek, seconded by Maynard Bedish to adjourn. All voted aye. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 A.M.

Minutes reflect the recorder's notations and are subject to approval by the appropriate board or committee.

Kris Duening