

PIATT COUNTY NURSING HOME
NURSING HOME COMMITTEE MEETING
PIATT COUNTY BOARD

Date: 6/07/2021

Time: 8:00 am

Place: Piatt County Nursing Home—Conference Room

Members Present: Gail Jones, Ray Spencer, Shannon Carroll

Absent Members: None.

Other Attendees: Scott Porter, Executive Director
Stephanie Berkey, Director of Finance
Jacqui Jacobs, HR Coordinator
Tom Corbin, PCNH Family Member

Meeting called to order by Chairwoman Gail Jones, at 8:00 am.

Approval of Minutes: Carroll made a motion, seconded by Spencer to approve the 6/03/21 minutes.

Claims Approval: Carroll made a motion, seconded by Spencer to approve Piatt County Nursing Home A/P claims in the amount of \$175,354.62. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Spencer, Carroll and Jones. Nays-None; Motion carried.

Spencer made a motion, seconded by Carroll to approve Maple Point A/P claims in the amount of \$29,260.25. Roll Vote: Ayes – Spencer, Jones, and Carroll. Nays- None; Motion carried.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Executive Director then presented to the committee his updates on the various improvement projects that the facility was undertaking. The first project update was on the replacement of the wheelchair ramp and railing that is located just outside of desk B. This ramp was starting to show it's age and was a life safety issue. It should be replaced this week. The entry to the building will go through the ramp outside of administration for the two days it is expected to take to remove and replace it. The second update was on the privacy fence around the Halcyon Unit which due to the delay in material from the manufacture the quote to the time of completion will probably be sometime in late September. The third update was on the phase three remodel. The facility is now ready to place orders for the materials and furniture needed, but that given the status of the supply of materials in the economy right now this process could take an extended period. The facility also faces a stagnant job market, they have very little in the way of response to it advertisements for skilled labor to assist with the remodel. This is especially true for those with flooring experience. The facility will continue to work towards putting all of the resources in place, but the E.D. wanted to the committee to be aware of the challenges. Lastly the committee was shown the updated generator bid he received from one of the two companies that showed interest in the project. Through analyzing the power bills for peak usage, it was learned that the facility would need a much smaller unit reducing that cost approximately \$15,000 to \$20,000. This information had been shared with

Congressman Davis' office, but the facility was still waiting on estimates from their major electrical service provider Bodine Electric.

The E.D. had been asked last meeting to reach out to Monticello Christian Academy. He stated that he had meet with them and they had confirmed they had liability insurance for all of their students. It was the impression of the E.D. during this short conversation that the school simply would like to find a space for them to build a play area for the children to utilize but seemed also to understand that the request would take some time and consideration to unpack the legality of it.

Public Comment: The Executive Director thanked and congratulated Tom Corbin on an informational booklet that was created and was being distributed by the men's support group he helped found in Champaign and now has served more than 70 men who wives are suffering from dementia. Mr. Corbin had presented a copy to the E.D. before the meeting began. The book is an informational guide to the challenges caregivers face when their spouse develops dementia and focuses on husbands' experiences most specifically. Mr. Corbin had provided a signed copy to the nursing home and Faith in Action and stated that the book could be downloaded for free on Amazon in the very near future.

Mr. Corbin then asked in public comment when the E.D. thought that restrictions on the nursing home would be completely over, related to Covid-19 precautions. The E.D. stated he hadn't heard anything but if asked to make a guess, the pattern seems to be when the nation hits a new vaccination threshold or percentage, another restriction gets lifted. So possibly once the vaccine is available to all ages, or when "herd immunity" is reached then these restrictions would disappear, but when that might be is anyone's guess.

Executive Session: Carroll made the motion to enter closed session, seconded by Spencer at 8:24 am.

Motion to come out of closed session at 8:36 am was made by Carroll and Seconded by Ray. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Carroll, Spencer and Jones. Nays-None; Motion carried.

The next meeting date is June 17th, 2021, at 8:00 am for payroll approval.

Spencer made a motion, seconded by Carroll to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 am. Motion approved.

Gail Jones, Chairwoman
Nursing Home Committee
Piatt County Board

Scott Porter
Executive Director
Piatt County Nursing Home