

PIATT COUNTY NURSING HOME
NURSING HOME COMMITTEE MEETING
PIATT COUNTY BOARD

Date: 9/23/2021

Time: 8:00 am

Place: Piatt County Nursing Home—Conference Room

Members Present: Gail Jones, Shannon Carroll and Ray Spencer

Absent Members: None

Other Attendees: Scott Porter, Executive Director
Stephanie Berkey, Finance Director
Tom Corbin, PCNH Family Member
Steve Hoffman, Piatt County Journal

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 09/09/21 minutes.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Spencer, Carroll, and Jones. Nays-None; Motion carried.

Payroll Approval: Carroll made a motion, seconded by Spencer to approve Piatt County Nursing payroll in the amount of \$172,798.21. Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Spencer, Carroll, and Jones. Nays-None; Motion carried.

Carroll made a motion, seconded by Spencer to approve Maple Point payroll in the amount of \$26,410.90. Roll Vote: Ayes – Spencer, Carroll, and Jones. Nays-None; Motion carried.

Old Business: The Executive Director stated he was still holding off on new admissions while the staffing levels remain critically low. Though the facility isn't near the state minimum, they are lower than PCNH standards from day today depending on call offs etc.

New Business: The E.D. stated that the fence the surrounds the Alzheimer's courtyard was being replaced that day. The E.D. reminded the group that the Nursing Home Foundation had paid for the fence back in April and it was just now available for installation.

The E.D. also warned the committee that measures would need to be taken to not only attract staff, which has proven nearly impossible the past several months, but also to retain the staff the facility still has. The E.D. stated the this would most likely involve raising salaries and even looking into measures for retention bonuses. The issue of staffing will be the main focus for the administration for the remainder of the year.

The Executive Director informed the committee that he would be on a leave of absents from 9/29 to 10/6 in order to move his mother into assisted living and to assist her with the sale of her home. The committee made no objections.

Public Comment: Tom Corbin asked the E.D. which vaccinations most of the residents had received (Pizer or Moderna) The E.D. estimated that 98% of all the individuals vaccinated received the Pizer vaccine and therefor would qualify for the booster

shot that was being approved by the CDC. The E.D. stated he had not heard yet from CMS when these would be available or how.

Mr. Corbin also asked how the facility regulates the heating and cooling between heating and cooling days like we see in the Fall, especially in the temperature changes between days and nights. The E.D. stated that Fall is much easier than Spring. In the Fall the system can easily switch between cooling and heating because the heating system is full and treated all year round. The chiller system in the Spring is often times not ready because it must be drained. This can result in some very warm days in the facility if there are few Summer-like days in a row. It was the hope of the Administration that with the new HVAC system being paid for with ARPA money that this situation will be a thing of the past.

Executive Session: None

The next meeting date is October 7th, 2021, at 8:00 am for payroll approval.

Spencer made a motion, seconded by Carroll to adjourn the meeting at 8:16 am. Motion approved.

Gail Jones, Chairwoman
Nursing Home Committee
Piatt County Board

Scott Porter
Executive Director
Piatt County Nursing Home