Orchard Manor/County Farm Committee Meeting Minutes April 12, 2023

Committee Chair Elias Cox called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Elias Cox noted a quorum was present and certified the meeting was in compliance with the Open Meetings Law. Committee members present or online were, Joseph Mumm, Donald Splinter, Roger Guthrie and Diane Nelson. Grant County staff members Shane Drinkwater, Garry Pluemer, Alesha Erdenberger, and Joyce Roling. Terri Abing was also present.

Joseph Mumm made the motion seconded by Diane Nelson to approve the agenda. Motion carried, voice vote.

Donald Splinter made the motion seconded by Roger Guthrie to approve the March 08, 2023 Orchard Manor and Farm Committee minutes. Motion carried, voice vote.

Donald Splinter made the motion seconded by Joseph Mumm to approve the March 08, 2023 Farm vouchers as presented. Motion carried, voice vote.

Terri Abing shared didn't have anything to report besides getting in the fields. Terri was asked how the fences are and shared everything is good.

Patrick Carroll from Wipfli Financial presented to the board a skilled nursing facility bed demand analysis. It was recommended to increase our Private Pay rate on SNF to \$275. Per day.

Donald Splinter made the motion seconded by Roger Guthrie to increase our Private Pay rate from \$264 to \$275 per day affective July 1, 2023. Motion carried, voice vote.

Alesha shared with the board that she has attended a banquet for the Dubuque Racing Association Grant Application. She shared her vision is to establish a 501C3. The purpose of applying for this Grant is to help retain employees by increased training. Alesha would also like to bring back some of the Orchard Manor history in this process.

Roger Guthrie made the motion seconded by Donald Splinter to approve Alesha to apply for the Dubuque Racing Association Grant. Motion carried, voice vote.

Alesha educated the board about our corporate compliance and Medicare fraud. She further explained that Christine Johansen, Angela Nemitz and herself have all taken the course and have received a certificate of completion.

Alesha updated the board on our WisCaregiver program. She shared Orchard Manor has reached out to Outagamie County who has been very successful with this program. Outagamie shared with us that one of their biggest successes comes from being committed to the staff and paying them for his/her study time.

Roger Guthrie made the motion seconded by Elias Cox to pay the WisCaregiver employees for their study time and class time if a contract is signed by that individual committing to Orchard Manor for a set amount of time. Motion carried, voice vote.

Garry Pluemer shared with the board that the City of Lancaster did evaluation on the water meter. The City of Lancaster will be issuing a bill for the past 24 months. Garry also shared we need to register our chillers, boilers and air compressors with the state.

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All of this paperwork is in the works. Garry also mentioned there will be an expense of approximately \$1100 to wrap the generator shed

Alesha Erdenberger and the Committee discussed the following Orchard Manor issues:

- The current census is 48 geriatric and 25 intellectually disabled residents.
- The facility continues to be in a crisis staffing situation. We continue to recruit CNAs, RNs, and LPNs. We did hire two CNA's and two WisCaregivers in the month of March.
- Visitation is going well. Visitors still need to have their temperature checked, answer COVID questions, wearing a mask at this time is now required. Residents are free to go out with their friends and families.

Joseph Mumm made the motion seconded by Diane Nelson to approve the March 2023 vouchers as presented. Motion carried, voice vote.

Elias Cox tentatively set Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. at the CSB Building for the next meeting.

Roger Guthrie made the motion seconded by Diane Nelson to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried, voice vote.

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