



Dane County

Minutes - Final-revised

Homeless Issues Committee

Tuesday, August 26, 2014

6:30 PM

CCB, 210 MLK Jr Blvd, Madison, Room 354

A. Call To Order

6:35 p.m.

Present: 7 - ULYSSES WILLIAMS, STEVE SCHOOLER, DEEDRA ATKINSON, HEIDI WEGLEITNER, SUE KOZUBEK, LARRY PALM and MARSHA RUMMEL

Absent: 4 - NICK ZWEIFEL, LELAND PAN, RONNIE BARBETT and LINDA KETCHUM

Others Present: Lynn Green, Casey Becker, Carmen (no last name given), Erik Femrite, Emily Shrader, Dave Peters, Al Muhaymin, David Seuzza

B. Public Comment on Items not on the Agenda

- Dave Peters – Sees need for emergency overnight shelter for those who arrive in community when services are closed.*
- Emily Shrader - Mentioned Salvation Army as a place for emergency overnight shelters. Questions regarding bus passes for individuals in need. Raised idea for tax incentive for organizations or individuals that donate space or a room.*
- Al Muhaymin – Speaking in support of a day resource center. Currently homeless and sleeping outside of CCB, raised concerns with behaviors he has observed. Shared concern for individuals who are running out of shelter day allotment due to lack of day resource center.*
- David Seuzza - Madison, Wisconsin, is home to smart people who may have solutions to homelessness. Shared his appreciation for the work of the committee and others working to reduce homelessness.*

G. Presentations

1. [2014 PRES-079](#) Coordinated Intake Presentation - Kristina Dux, Manager of Family Development for the Community Action Coalition of South Central Wisconsin (CAC)

Attachments: [Coordinated Intake as of 7-31-14.pdf](#)

Presentation by Kristina Dux of Community Action Coalition of South Central Wisconsin regarding new coordinated intake process and Dane County Housing Crisis Hotline.

C. Consideration of Minutes

1. [2014 MIN-260](#) 2014_0722 Homeless Issues Committee Minutes

Attachments: [2014_0722 HIC Minutes.pdf](#)

A motion was made by SCHOOLER, seconded by RUMMEL, that the Minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 5 - WILLIAMS, SCHOOLER, WEGLEITNER, KOZUBEK and RUMMEL

Absent: 4 - ZWEIFEL, PAN, BARBETT and KETCHUM

Abstain: 2 - ATKINSON and PALM

D. Fund Transfers

E. Referrals (Resolutions & Ordinance Amendments)

- [2014 DISC -046](#) OA 47 Discussion Attachments

Attachments: [YWCA letter 082514.pdf](#)

[OA47 Porchlight suggestions 8 4 14.pdf](#)

[Porchlight letter 082614.pdf](#)

1. [2014 OA-047](#) AMENDING CHAPTER 30 OF THE DANE COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, REGARDING CONTRACTS FOR EMERGENCY SHELTER SERVICES

Sponsors: Supervisor WEGLEITNER, Supervisor FERRELL, Supervisor KRAUSE, Supervisor MATANO, Supervisor PAN, Supervisor RICHMOND, RITT and Supervisor WILLET

Attachments: [2014 OA-047 SHELTER RIGHTS.pdf](#)

A motion was made by SCHOOLER, seconded by PALM, that the Committee take up Porchlight's proposed changes to OA 47 one at a time and vote on them. The motion carried by the following vote: 7-0

Ayes: 7 - WILLIAMS, SCHOOLER, ATKINSON, WEGLEITNER, KOZUBEK, PALM and RUMMEL

Absent: 4 - ZWEIFEL, PAN, BARBETT and KETCHUM

•*Wegleitner reviews goals of the legislation and outreach efforts.*

•*Discussion of need for ordinance.*

•*Discussion of using county Ombudsman process for complaints and uniform policy for contracts.*

A motion was made by PALM, seconded by SCHOOLER, to delete 2.b. The motion failed by the following vote: 2-5 (Wegleitner, Kozubek, Palm, Rummel)

Ayes: 2 - SCHOOLER and ATKINSON

Noes: 5 - WILLIAMS, WEGLEITNER, KOZUBEK, PALM and RUMMEL

Absent: 4 - ZWEIFEL, PAN, BARBETT and KETCHUM

•Discussion of allowing providers to determine and enforce their own rules for intake re: alcohol and drug use.

•Discussion of limitation of shelter facilities and how they contribute to procedure and policy for organizations.

Motion by Palm to open up public comment once more, seconded by Schooler.

Motion passes 6-1 (Atkinson).

Eric Femrite – Shared experience of being banned from Safe Haven in cold weather. Supports OA 47.

A motion was made by PALM, seconded by SCHOOLER, that in 3(b) change first “provided” to “offered” and change “receipt” to “offer of receipt”. The motion carried by the following vote: 7-0

Ayes: 7 - WILLIAMS, SCHOOLER, ATKINSON, WEGLEITNER, KOZUBEK, PALM and RUMMEL

Absent: 4 - ZWEIFEL, PAN, BARBETT and KETCHUM

A motion was made by PALM, seconded by SCHOOLER, that in 4(b) change “has” to “have.”. The motion carried by the following vote: 7-0

Ayes: 7 - WILLIAMS, SCHOOLER, ATKINSON, WEGLEITNER, KOZUBEK, PALM and RUMMEL

Absent: 4 - ZWEIFEL, PAN, BARBETT and KETCHUM

A motion was made by PALM, seconded by SCHOOLER, that in 5(b)3. add after “upon;” except the name of a witness may be redacted from documentation to be provided to the grievant. The motion carried by the following vote: 6-1 (Wegleitner)

Ayes: 6 - WILLIAMS, SCHOOLER, ATKINSON, KOZUBEK, PALM and RUMMEL

Noes: 1 - WEGLEITNER

Absent: 4 - ZWEIFEL, PAN, BARBETT and KETCHUM

A motion was made by PALM, seconded by SCHOOLER, that in 5(c) strike text after last “grievant.” The motion carried by the following vote: 6-1 (Wegleitner)

Ayes: 6 - WILLIAMS, SCHOOLER, ATKINSON, KOZUBEK, PALM and RUMMEL

Noes: 1 - WEGLEITNER

Absent: 4 - ZWEIFEL, PAN, BARBETT and KETCHUM

A motion was made by PALM, seconded by SCHOOLER, that under 5(d) add to the beginning of paragraph before “The grievant”: “After exhausting the shelter provider’s review process.” Strike “In writing” from first sentence. Add after “request a hearing” in first sentence: “for all denials of service lasting more than five (5) days, not including extensions. The grievant must make the request in writing within 30 days of the notice of the adverse decision.” Delete “Such request shall be by written notice to shelter provider.” Change “three (3)” to “five (5)” in last sentence. The motion carried by the following vote: 7-0

Ayes: 7 - WILLIAMS, SCHOOLER, ATKINSON, WEGLEITNER, KOZUBEK, PALM and RUMMEL

Absent: 4 - ZWEIFEL, PAN, BARBETT and KETCHUM

A motion was made by PALM, seconded by SCHOOLER, that under 5(i) add after first sentence, second sentence: "The requesting party is responsible for the cost to record." The motion carried by the following vote: 5-2 (Wegleitner, Palm)

Ayes: 5 - WILLIAMS, SCHOOLER, ATKINSON, KOZUBEK and RUMMEL

Noes: 2 - WEGLEITNER and PALM

Absent: 4 - ZWEIFEL, PAN, BARBETT and KETCHUM

A motion was made by PALM, seconded by SCHOOLER, that under 5(j) strike everything in section after "was based." The motion carried by the following vote: 7-0

Ayes: 7 - WILLIAMS, SCHOOLER, ATKINSON, WEGLEITNER, KOZUBEK, PALM and RUMMEL

Absent: 4 - ZWEIFEL, PAN, BARBETT and KETCHUM

A motion was made by PALM, seconded by SCHOOLER, that under 6(b) change six years to three for records keeping. The motion failed by the following vote: 2-5 (Schooler, Wegleitner, Kozubek, Palm, Rummel)

Ayes: 2 - WILLIAMS and ATKINSON

Noes: 5 - SCHOOLER, WEGLEITNER, KOZUBEK, PALM and RUMMEL

Absent: 4 - ZWEIFEL, PAN, BARBETT and KETCHUM

A motion was made by PALM, seconded by SCHOOLER, that under 5(h) strike existing language in this section, replace with: "The grievance decision shall be based upon substantial evidence presented at the hearing. Substantial evidence is that quantity and quality of evidence which a reasonable person could accept as adequate to support a conclusion but a factual finding may not be based solely upon uncorroborated hearsay." The motion carried by the following vote: 5-2 (Wegleitner, Rummel)

Ayes: 5 - WILLIAMS, SCHOOLER, ATKINSON, KOZUBEK and PALM

Noes: 2 - WEGLEITNER and RUMMEL

Absent: 4 - ZWEIFEL, PAN, BARBETT and KETCHUM

Discussion of proper method to make legal standard language accessible to those who would be holding hearing.

A motion was made by RUMMEL, seconded by PALM, that under 5(b) add item "6. Contact information for the Dane County Department of Human Services' Ombudsman." The motion carried by the following vote: 7-0

Ayes: 7 - WILLIAMS, SCHOOLER, ATKINSON, WEGLEITNER, KOZUBEK, PALM and RUMMEL

Absent: 4 - ZWEIFEL, PAN, BARBETT and KETCHUM

A motion was made by PALM, seconded by RUMMEL, that this Ordinance be recommended for approval as amended. There was discussion about need for legislation. The motion carried by the following vote: 6-1 (Atkinson)

Ayes: 6 - WILLIAMS, SCHOOLER, WEGLEITNER, KOZUBEK, PALM and RUMMEL

Noes: 1 - ATKINSON

Absent: 4 - ZWEIFEL, PAN, BARBETT and KETCHUM

F. Items Requiring Committee Action

Motion by Palm to reopen public comment, seconded by Schooler. Motion carried 7-0.

Carmen (no last name given) used Porchlight van and reported inappropriate conversation between driver occupant. Also concerned with treatment of other passengers by driver. Schooler offered to follow up. Shared concerns with incident and staff response at Salvation Army regarding individual who was struck by vehicle in a parking lot.

H. Reports to Committee

1. [2014 RPT-091](#) Day Resource Center Update

Casey Becker reported that the Board of Adjustment hearing on the Day Resource Center site was moved to Thursday, September 11th.

I. Future Meeting Items and Dates

J. Such Other Business as Allowed by Law

K. Adjourn

9:15 p.m.

Recorded by: Casey Becker