

IRON COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES BOARD Meeting

May 20, 2025

Following Public Hearing @ 5:00 p.m. – County Board Room

1. **Meeting called to order:** @ 5:07 p.m. by Lauer.
Members present: Karen Lauer, Tom Innes, Roy Haeger, Mario Loreti, Jennifer Rye, Doug Swartz, Kurt Wolff, Lauren Snyder.
Staff members present: Cally Bucknell, Krystal Ferrell, Trista Olson, Diane Schmidtke.
Student members present: Kiera Koski.
Student members absent: Natalie Cane,
2. Bucknell acknowledged the meeting was properly posted and advertised.
3. **Public Comment** – None.
4. **Approval of minutes from previous meetings:** Motion by Loreti to approve minutes from the April 7, 2025 Human Services Board meeting, seconded by Innes. All in favor.
5. **Discussion/Action on Annual Report** – Discussion was held regarding Human Services 2024 expenses and revenues on page 24 of the report not matching the County's numbers. It was explained that the numbers provided are from the Human Services accounting system. Schmidtke acknowledged Human Services and Clerk's books don't match due to different reporting methods and auditor journal entries. Schmidtke will be developing a better system to reconcile with the Clerk's 201 accounts (Human Services) monthly. Motion by Wolff, second by Rye to accept the Iron County Human Services 2024 Annual Report and forward to the County Board. All in favor.
6. **Presentation by BART on Transportation** – Pat Daoust from BART provided a presentation of the services BART provides and how they operate. There are details to work out, most importantly, a schedule, prior to providing an estimated cost to the County for BART to provide transportation services in Iron County. BART currently serves Bayfield County 50 hours per week for \$30,000 per year and utilizes grant funding to cover costs over Bayfield's contract. Start-up would require a public hearing, Daoust would include Iron County in his 2026 grant application and the County would have to identify BART as a project in the 85.21 Plan for 2026 that the County submits to the State. Several questions were answered by Daoust & Bucknell.
7. **Budget Update 2024 and 2025** - Bucknell referenced handout #7. Schmidtke explained that 2024 reports expenditures are final however, we continue to receive 2024 revenue.
8. **Adult and Children Placements 2025** – Bucknell referred to handout #8 which summarizes 2025 placements. Questions were answered.
9. **Discussion/Action 2025 Contracts** – Standing agenda item with no updates at this time.
10. **Agency Updates and Information**
 - a. **Director Update** – Agency participated in a security risk assessment which was free of charge. It was quite extensive and eye-opening.
 - Working with AODA prevention coalition to get SHARPs containers throughout the county, educational pieces, Botvin LifeSkills training in the schools.
 - Closely following federal funding changes.
 - b. **Ewisacwis interface** – Schmidtke advised that she's working with I/O Technologies, the company who provides support for Visual Wissis. A technician with I/O Tech will be working with Schmidtke next week to see if they can get the Wissis module that interfaces with Ewisacwis running.
11. **Children & Families Update** – Ferrell summarized some highlights from handout #11.
12. **ADRC & Aging**
 - a. **Aging Advisory Committee** –
 - The next Aging Advisory meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 12th.

- The next Nutrition Advisory Meeting is scheduled for June 5th.
- The next Hurley Senior Center Board Meeting is May 28th.
- b. Olson provided highlights from handout #12 a & b including a presentation with the results of the ADRC's "What This Meal Means to Me" campaign. These results will travel through several locations in Iron County before being sent to Madison later this year.

13. **Review/Approve credit card bill and vouchers**– Motion by Haeger, seconded by Swartz to approve the April 2025 credit card bills and vouchers and forward to Finance. AIF.
14. **Future Agneda Items** –
15. **Next Board Meeting** –
16. **Adjourn** – Lauer adjourned the meeting at 6:16.