



Area Agency on Aging

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Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging
Council of Governments
Meeting Minutes
June 24, 2010

Members Present

Commissioners Ron Averill and Cathy Wolfe

Members Absent

Commissioner Ross Gallagher

Staff Present

Julie Dasso-Moore, Dennis Mahar and Kennedy Weza

Guests Present

Sandy Gould, Advisory Council Chair; Ida Sevier, Advisory Council member

Opening and Introductions

Commissioner Wolfe called the meeting to order at 2:10 pm.

Approval of Minutes and Agenda

Commissioner Wolfe moved to approve the minutes of the May 27, 2010 Council of Governments meeting. Commissioner Averill seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0.

Commissioner Wolfe moved to amend the agenda for the June 24, 2010 meeting to include consideration of an amendment to the nutrition contract with Senior Services for South Sound, a contract with the Department of Social and Health Services to manage Caregiver Training, and a contract amendment for the operation of the Home Care Referral Registry under Contracts and Amendments, Item III, and to include an Executive Session as Item VIII. Commissioner Averill seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0.

Contracts and Amendments

Based on the recommendation of the Director, Commissioner Averill moved to approve a contract with Family Education and Support Services for Kinship Caregiver Support Program services, in an amount not to exceed \$61,081.00 for the period of July 1, 2010

through June 30, 2011. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0.

Based on the recommendation of the Director, Commissioner Averill moved to approve a contract with Family Education and Support Services for Kinship Navigator Program Services, in an amount not to exceed \$76,307.00 for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0.

Based on the recommendation of the Director, Commissioner Averill moved to approve a contract with Forby "Barney" Lamb on behalf of the Mason County Medical Equipment Bank, in an amount not to exceed \$300.00 for the period of July 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0.

Based on the recommendation of the Director, Commissioner Averill moved to approve a contract with Paul Tosch for Regional Long Term Care Ombudsman services, in an amount not to exceed \$65,425.00 for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0.

Based on the recommendation of the Director, Commissioner Wolfe moved to approve an amendment to our contract with Catholic Community Services for nutrition services in Lewis County, adding \$23,865.00 in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds to the ceiling award of the contract, for the period of July 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. Commissioner Averill seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0.

Based on the recommendation of the Director, Commissioner Averill moved to approve a contract with the Department of Social and Health Services to manage Agency Worker Health Insurance for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0.

Based on the recommendation of the Director, Commissioner Averill moved to approve an amendment to our contract with Senior Services for South Sound for nutrition services in Mason and Thurston Counties, amending the manner in which ARRA funds are reimbursed and correcting the Older Americans Act C2 unit rate, retroactive to January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0.

Based on the recommendation of the Director, Commissioner Averill moved to approve a contract with the Department of Social and Health Services to manage Caregiver Training for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0.

Based on the recommendation of the Director, Commissioner Averill moved to approve an amendment to our Home Care Referral Registry contract to change the granting agency from the Home Care Quality Authority to the Aging and Disabilities Services

Administration of the Department of Social and Health Services for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0.

Advisory Council Report

The Advisory Council met on June 2, 2010 at the Valley View Health Center in Lewis County. There was no report from the State Council on Aging as they did not meet in May. The Director provided an update as did the regional Long Term Care Ombudsman. There was a report on the Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program which is ready to begin and the upcoming meeting with the regional Tribes. The Council discussed providing some funding for the medical equipment bank in Mason County favoring supporting the effort. Winners of the recent writing competition for children being raised by grandparents or their relatives was presented to the Council. The Council reviewed plans for the June 3, 2010 Aging Readiness Forum. A review and discussion of the proposed State Plan on Aging, from the State, was held. Members were encouraged to fill out the Department of Social and Health Services survey on aging services. Steve Clark led a discussion of the Valley View Health Center and federally qualified health clinics in general.

Director's Report

2009 Audit – Director Mahar reported that there were no findings or recommendations following the 2009 audit. He thanked Barry Diseth, former fiscal manager, Kennedy Weza, the new fiscal manager, and the fiscal team for their strong support in the fiscal office.

Aging Readiness Forums Update – Director Mahar reported that the Lewis and Mason County Aging Readiness Forums were cancelled, however it is hoped that the information obtained by the Thurston County forum will be presented through the Chambers and the Economic Development Councils in Mason and Lewis Counties. He thanked Commissioner Wolfe for her introduction presentation at the Thurston County event.

Nutrition Stimulus Funds (ARRA) – Director Mahar reported that staff worked diligently and successfully with both nutrition providers on finding a solution to the expedited timeline imposed by the Department of Social and Health Services.

Home Care Contract Changes – Director Mahar reported that the home care agencies rates are being adjusted as a result of the 2009-2010 Supplemental Operating Budget passed by the Legislature, and he will be signing the contract amendments with the three agencies to reflect the rate changes.

Family Caregiver Support Program – Based on the recommendation of the Director, Commissioner Averill moved to approve granting the Director authority to sign annual contracts without ceiling awards with vendors providing Family Caregiver Support Program services for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. Commissioner Wolfe seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0.

Senior Games – Director Mahar reminded the Council that the Senior Games are July 23 through July 25, 2010.

National Town Meeting, June 26, 2010 – Director Mahar reported that there will be a national town meeting to discuss the nation’s budget and economy. *Community Conversation* will be held on June 26, 2010 at South Puget Sound Community College in Hawk’s Prairie.

Rental Agreement – Director Mahar reported that he has recently signed a new five-year lease renewal for the Mud Bay Road office in Olympia.

Items From the Floor

None

Approval of Vouchers

Based on the recommendation of the Director, Commissioner Wolfe moved approval of the following vouchers:

Batch of 5/27/2010 beginning with 408639 and ending with 408649 consisting of 11 vouchers (contiguous) in the amount of \$3,353.59;

Batch of 5/27/2010 beginning with 408650 and ending with 408661 consisting of 8 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$17,460.80;

Batch of 6/7/2010 beginning with 410263 and ending with 410347 consisting of 38 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$5,703.11;

Batch of 6/7/2010 beginning with 410351 and ending with 410370 consisting of 17 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$5,761.76;

Batch of 6/7/2010 beginning with 410377 and ending with 410385 consisting of 7 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$5,013.95;

Batch of 6/7/2010 beginning with 410388 and ending with 410390 consisting of 3 vouchers (contiguous) in the amount of \$5,933.26;

Batch of 6/14/2010 beginning with 411108 and ending with 411120 consisting of 12 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$3,754.88;

Batch of 6/14/2010 beginning with 411194 and ending with 411206 consisting of 6 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$366.89;

Batch of 6/14/2010 beginning with 411221 and ending with 411221 consisting of 1 voucher (contiguous) in the amount of \$5,502.00;

Batch of 6/14/2010 beginning with 411244 and ending with 411246 consisting of 3 vouchers (contiguous) in the amount of \$2,341.89;

Batch of 6/14/2010 beginning with 411247 and ending with 411249 consisting of 3 vouchers (contiguous) in the amount of \$55,444.59;

Batch of 6/21/2010 beginning with 412454 and ending with 412466 consisting of 12 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$53,562.35;

Batch of 6/21/2010 beginning with 412474 and ending with 412477 consisting of 4 vouchers (non-contiguous) in the amount of \$95,147.81;

Batch of 6/21/2010 beginning with 412483 and ending with 412485 consisting of 3 vouchers (contiguous) in the amount of \$27,154.15;

Batch of 6/21/2010 beginning with 412487 and ending with 412489 consisting of 3 vouchers (contiguous) in the amount of \$292.80;

Batch of 6/21/2010 beginning with 412490 and ending with 412497 consisting of 8 vouchers (contiguous) in the amount of \$6,154.01.

139 vouchers totaling \$295,947.84

Commissioner Averill seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-0.

Executive Session

The Council broke at 2:35 p.m. and entered into Executive Session under RCW 42.30.110(i) for an update on Collective Bargaining Agreement negotiations. The Executive Session ended at 2:45 p.m. No action was taken.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 2:45 p.m. The next meeting of the Council of Governments will be July 22, 2010 at 2:00 p.m. in the Olympia office.

Approved: _____

Submitted by: _____