AGENDA ITEM or FINAL CONTRACT REVIEW SUBMITTAL FORM

Agenda Item: Human Services; DRAFT 10/16/18 Minutes

Action Requested: Motion

Parties to the Agreement:

Term Begins: **Term Ends:** **Grant Contract #:**

Summary:

The draft 10/16/18 Human Services meeting minutes are attached for consideration.

Fiscal Impact:

Submitted by: Liz Mense **Submitter's Email Address:** EMense@gunnisoncounty.org

Finance Review: ○ Required ◉ Not Required

Comments:

Reviewed by: Discharge Date:

County Attorney Review: ◉ Required ○ Not Required

Comments:
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Reveiwed by: GUNCOUNTY1\dBaumgarten Discharge Date: 12/12/2018 Certificate of Insurance Required

Yes ○ No ◉

County Manager Review:

Comments:

Reveiwed by: GUNCOUNTY1\mbirnie Discharge Date: 12/12/2018

○ Consent Agenda ◉ Regular Agenda ○ Worksession Time Allotted: 5

Agenda Date: 12/18/2018

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GUNNISON/HINSDALE BOARD OF HUMAN SERVICES
MEETING MINUTES
October 16, 2018

The October 16, 2018 meeting of the Gunnison/Hinsdale Board of Human Services was held in the Board of County Commissioners' meeting room located at 200 E. Virginia Avenue, Gunnison, Colorado. Present were:

Phil Chamberland, Chairperson (ABSENT)
Susan Thompson, Vice-Chairperson (VIA PHONE)
Jonathan Houck, Commissioner
John Messner, Commissioner
Joni Reynolds, Health & Human Services Director
Matthew Birnie, County Manager
Elizabeth Mense, Deputy County Clerk
Other Persons Present as Listed in Text

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Houck called the meeting to order at 1:02 pm.

AGENDA REVIEW: There were no changes to the agenda.

MINUTES APPROVAL: **Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Messner to approve the minutes of the 8/21/18 Gunnison/Hinsdale Board of Human Services Meeting. Motion carried.

PROGRAM UPDATE: Marilyn Cheever, Child & Family Services Manager, was present for the discussion. She discussed differential response and provided informational packets from the Colorado Department of Human Services to the Board regarding the Dual-Track Response, which discusses the High Risk Assessment and Family Assessment Response. The State is currently working on upgrading the Trails software, the reporting system used by Health & Human Services. However, there are still issues with the system. Until all the software issues are corrected, Health & Human Services staff will still be required to have a finding of founded, unfounded, or inconclusive on child welfare cases.
Child & Family Services Manager Cheever also provided an update on foster homes. Currently, the County only has one foster home available. There are currently two families in the process of being certified. The training required to become a certified foster home is held in Denver, which continues to be an issue with recruitment. Gunnison County Health & Human Services would like to eventually develop their own curriculum so that will no longer be a hurdle. Additionally, the County is working with Child Placement Agencies along the Western Slope to assist with finding and creating additional foster homes. Child & Family Services Manager Cheever explained that the Federal Government is following the Family First initiative and going forward isn't going to pay for placement in residential treatment centers, further enhancing the immediate need for additional foster homes. She also explained that Gunnison County does not have any group homes available.

STAFFING UPDATE: Anthony Kellum, formerly an Eligibility Technician, recently accepted the Child Support Specialist position. There is one eligibility technician vacancy currently that Health & Human Services is working diligently to fill. Carol Worrall, Public Health Program Director, announced that she'll be retiring at the end of December**.**

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2018.

ADJOURN: **Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Vice-Chairperson Thompson to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 1:33 pm.

Minutes Prepared By:

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Elizabeth Mense, Deputy County Clerk

Minutes Approved December 18, 2018

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Jonathan Houck, Commissioner

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