COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING
TUESDAY, 12-7-2010
FOREST PARK DINING ROOM – 1230 BADGER ST-LA CROSSE, WI 54601
11:15 AM –

MEMBERS PRESENT: Audrey Kader, Chairperson, Sharon Hampson, Patricia Boge, Ann Fisher, Betty Woodruff

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Shirley Holman, Robert Keil

OTHERS PRESENT: Noreen Holmes, Director, County Aging Unit
Dawn Jorstad, Nutrition Program Coordinator

PUBLIC HEARING
Audrey Kader, Committee Chair, called the Public Hearing to order at 11:15 AM.

The Public Hearing will be held for the purpose of receiving comment for La Crosse County’s proposed plan for spending the allocation of $249,514 authorized under Specialized Assistance Grant Application for 2011 under Section 85.21 of the Wisconsin Statutes to implement an elderly and disabled transportation program. La Crosse County will provide matching funds of at least 20% of the State Grant, $49,903. This program funds the Mini Bus, Volunteer Driver Program, Find A Ride, a mobility manager and a program for those needing additional assistance with their transportation. At the Hearing, there will be an opportunity for all persons or agencies interested in the grant application to submit written or oral comments and recommendations. Those persons unable to attend and wishing to submit comments in advance may do so by mailing their comments prior to the hearing to: Noreen Kuroski, Director, La Crosse County Aging Unit, 400 4th St N, Room 2260, La Crosse, WI 54601. Application will be available for public inspection prior to the hearing at the La Crosse County Aging Unit Office, 400 4th St N-Room 2260, La Crosse, WI 54601.

Chairperson Kader requested participants to sign their name, address and phone number on the sign up sheet for our public record.

Chairperson Kader requested Noreen Kuroski to give a presentation on the Specialized Assistance Grant Application for 2011 under Section 85.21 of the Wisconsin Statutes to implement an elderly and disabled transportation program.

There were six individuals who spoke about transportation needs. One individual stated the bus has been late picking them up. Noreen Kuroski explained the bus sometimes gets behind due to the lateness of the previous riders whose appointments can be late or extended. Another participant was pleased with the bus being on time but also explained it takes longer to load wheel chair passengers which can delay the bus. One suggestion was to implement Sunday service but Noreen Kuroski explained this had to be discontinued earlier due to budget constraints. Overall input was positive regarding s.85.21 services
ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Moved by Sharon Hampson and seconded by Patricia Boge to adjourn.

The Public Hearing adjourned at 11:25 am.

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COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING  
TUESDAY, 12-7-210  
FOREST PARK DINING ROOM – 1230 BADGER ST  
10:30 AM – 11:00 AM  

MEMBERS PRESENT: Audrey Kader, Chairperson, Sharon Hampson,  
Patricia Boge, Ann Fisher, Betty Woodruff  

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Shirley Holman, Robert Keil  

OTHERS PRESENT: Noreen Holmes, Director, County Aging Unit  
Dawn Jorstad, Nutrition Program Coordinator  

CALL TO ORDER  
Audrey Kader, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:30 AM.  

MINUTES OF 10-26-2010  
MOTION: Motion by Sharon Hampson and seconded by Patricia Boge to approve the  

PUBLIC COMMENT  
None  

CONSENT AGENDA (informational)  
AGING & LONG TERM CARE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – 11-1-2010  
Place on file.  

DIRECTOR’S REPORT  
PUBLIC HEARING 12-7-2010 – 11:15 AM SPECIALIZED TRANSPORTATION FOR 2011  
Noreen Kuroski informed the Commission Board members a Public Hearing will be held  
after the regular meeting regarding the s.85.21 Elderly Disabled Transportation for 2011.  

APPROVAL s.85.21 ELDERLY DISABLED TRANSPORTATION FOR 2011  
Noreen Kuroski discussed and reviewed the s.85.21 Elderly Disabled Transportation for  
2011. MOTION: Moved by Ann Fisher and seconded by Betty Woodruff to approve the  
s.85.21 Elderly Disabled Transportation for 2011. Pass unanimously. Holman and Keil  
excused.  

2011 COMMITTEE/BOARD MEETINGS  
A hand-out was provided to the Commission Board members for 2011 Committee/Board  
meetings. The following meeting dates for the Year 2011 will be as follows: June  
meeting will be held on 5-31-2011, September meeting will be held on 8-30-2011 and  
December meeting will be held on 11-29-2010.
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ROTARY LIGHTS – MONDAY, 12-13-2010 & WEDNESDAY, 12-15-2010
Noreen Kuroski reported the La Crosse County Aging Unit and First Transit will sponsor a trip through the Rotary Lights on 12-13-2010 and 12-15-2010. Pick up will begin at 5:00 pm with door to door service for senior citizens 60 or older and disabled adults. Wheelchair accommodations are available. Reservations need to be made by Friday, 12-10-2010 at Noon by calling 781-3068.

ENVIRONMENTAL & POLICY CHANGE FOR HEALTH AGING, SPONSORED THROUGH THE CDC – “INTEGRATED APPROACHES TO MOBILITY”
12-14-2010 – 10:30 AM UW-LA CROSSE
Noreen Kuroski will be in attendance at UW-La Crosse on Tuesday, 12-14-2010 at 10:30 AM regarding “Integrated Approaches to Mobility”. A presentation on “Optimal Living Environments for Health Aging” will be presented by William A. Satariano, University of California-Berkeley and CDC-HAN. Local and regional initiatives such as what’s happening in our region, what’s on the horizon, what are the opportunities for integrated approaches to mobility in our region, what can we do to support and champion existing and needed initiatives will be discussed by Jackie Eastwood, La Crosse Area Planning Commission, Jack Zabrowski, Complete Streets, Peter Fletcher, Mississippi Regional Planning Commission and a representative from MTU. Noreen Kuroski stated on Tuesday, 1-18-2011 the County Aging Unit and UW-L Continuing Education and Extension Gerontology programs will host “Emerging Environmental Issues in Healthy Aging”.

WISCONSIN COUNTIES ASSOCIATION PRESENTED CREATING AGING-FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES IN WISCONSIN: HOW PREPARED IS YOUR COUNTY FOR THE COMING ‘AGE WAVE’? – UPDATE BOARD EDUCATION NEXT MONTH
Noreen Kuroski reported that the Wisconsin Counties Association presented an educational seminar Monday, 11-15-2010 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Holiday Inn in Stevens Point
Sharon Hampson, Sharon Hampson and Andrea Hansen attended this educational seminar. Noreen Kuroski presented at this event.

VOLUNTEER DRIVER PROGRAM IN MINDORO UPDATE
Noreen Kuroski trained three volunteer drivers to provide rides to the elderly in the Mindoro area.
MEAL SITES
UPDATE TRANSITION FROM LACROSSE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO ARAMARK
Dawn Jorstad, Nutrition Program Coordinator reported that Aramark will prepare meals for seven nutrition sites within the City of La Crosse for the La Crosse County Aging Unit starting 1-3-2011 from the Law Enforcement Building. The contract is for three years. Meals will be provided Monday thru Friday as well as frozen meals on weekends and holidays. All meals will be homemade. Riverfront will continue to transport the meals to the sites.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Moved by Sharon Hampson and seconded by Patricia Boge to adjourn.

The regular meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM.

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