COUNTY COMMISSION ON AGING MEETING TUESDAY, 10-2-2012 ONALASKA COMMUNITY CENTER 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Charles Spiker, Chairman, Audrey Kader, Ann Fisher, Robert Keil, Betty Woodruff
MEMBERS EXCUSED:	Sharon Hampson, Patricia Boge
OTHERS PRESENT:	Noreen Holmes, Director, County Aging Unit

CALL TO ORDER

Charles Spiker, Committee Chair called the meeting to order at 12:08 PM.

Chairman Spiker asked that if you are unable to attend a meeting to please give him a call. There must be four people in attendance to have a meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF 9-4-2012

MOTION: Motion by Audrey Kader and seconded by Robert Keil to approve minutes of 9-4-2012. No changes. Pass unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA (informational)

Aging & Long Term Care Committee Meeting Minutes – 8-6-2012, 9-17-2012 Placed on file

DIRECTOR'S REPORT 2013 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

Noreen Holmes discussed amounts in 2013 Preliminary Budget with committee members. 8521 Trust, Aging Fund Balance, and Darrell S. Larson Estate balance help offset county costs.

FUNDS BALANCE UPDATE

No questions.

5311 GRANT/85.20 APPLICATION APPROVAL

The STRAP Grant ends in 2012. The new 5311/85.20 Grant will continue with the exact service as the STRAP Grant. Request \$120K for federal program. Motion by Robert Keil and seconded by Audrey Kader/unanimous to approve request for new 5311/85.20 Grant.

NEW COUNTY HOURS

Effective October 1, 2012, the County office hours changed from 8:30 am - 5:00 pm to 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. This information has been published in the newspaper.

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT CONTINUED MEDICARE PART D, MEDICARE ADVANTAGE PLANS

Open enrollment is October 15 - December 7, 2012. Tina Johnson was unable to speak at the meeting this month due to jury duty. She will attend the next meeting. It was asked that she speak about the difference between the Advantage Plan and Traditional Medicare.

MEAL SITES

LETTER TO CONGREGATE PARTICIPANTS

On October 1st, the Onalaska, Holmen, and Sauber Manor meal sites stopped collecting money at the meal sites. Instead, at the end of the month, statements, with the suggested donation amount, will be sent to the homes of meal recipients. This test will continue through the end of the year. The site managers will no longer need to handle money, travel to the bank, and bank charges will be reduced due to less daily activity.

VOTING AT MEAL SITES

The Harry J Olson, Sauber Manor, and Holmen meal sites are also election sites. Each of these sites will be closed on November 6th for congregate meals. Persons who normally receive home delivered meals will still receive meals on that day.

TRANSPORTATION

There is a new transportation service beginning in October, or later this year, for Crawford, Vernon, and La Crosse counties running four times a day.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Caregiver training. Medicare Part D and Medicare Advantage plan.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Moved by Robert Keil and seconded by Audrey Kader to adjourn. There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:28 PM.

Sue Betz, Recorder.