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**Walworth County Board of Supervisors
Housing Sexually Violent Persons Committee Meeting Minutes
Thursday, January 20, 2022
Walworth County Government Center, County Board Room 114
100 West Walworth Street, Elkhorn, Wisconsin**

Chair Carlo Nevicosi called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Roll call was conducted and the following members were present, either in person or by remote attendance: Chair Carlo Nevicosi, Director-Health and Human Services (HHS)/Superintendent of County Institutions; Vice Chair Michael Cotter, Corporation Counsel/Director-Land Use and Resource Management (LURM); Director-Information Technologies (IT) Jackie Giller; Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Supervisor/Land Information Officer Dale Drayna; HHS Administrative Analyst Lisa Kadlec; and Corrections Field Supervisor Penny Vogt. Contract Specialist-Advanced Supervised Release Program Bureau of Community Forensic Services Angela Serwa was absent. There is one vacant position. A quorum was declared.

Others in Attendance

County Staff: Walworth County Administrator Mark W. Luberda.

Members of the Public: Scott Timm, Contract Specialist for Department of Health Services (DHS.)

On motion by Director-Information Technology (IT) Giller, second by Geographic Information System (GIS) Supervisor/Land Information Officer Drayna, the agenda was approved with no withdrawals.

On motion by Vice Chair Cotter, second by Director-IT Giller, the January 6, 2022 Housing Sexually Violent Persons Committee meeting minutes were approved.

Public Comment – There was none.

Unfinished Business

7a. Task Updates regarding Housing Options for 980 Sexually Violent Persons

Chair Carlo Nevicosi confirmed that he submitted the report and update to Judge Reddy on Tuesday. He shared that as of today there are zero vetted properties left on the market for sale and he did inform the Health and Human Services (HHS) Board that the County is now at an increased risk for incurring fines from the court.

Walworth County Detective Kirk Dodge vetted a rental property which meets initial criteria for placement. Nevicosi reached out to the landlord who was extremely interested in renting to the State. The landlord indicated that the unit was in need of repair and he was meeting with a contractor late last week to establish a timeframe to make the unit habitable. Nevicosi left messages on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week and has yet to receive a return call.

Nevicosi stated that at their Wednesday meeting the HHS Board requested the following course of action from the Housing Sexually Violent Persons Committee:

- Pursue the possibility of making early rental payments to secure acquisition of a rental property until the individual can take occupancy
- Pursue alternative solutions with perhaps supplementing with loans or other alternatives to privately purchase a property by an outside buyer

Discussion ensued relative to the direction the Committee would like to proceed.

8. The committee may discuss the following topic in open session. The committee convened in closed session **at approximately 1:28 p.m. on motion and second by Vice Chair Cotter and Director-IT Giller** pursuant to the exemption contained in Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin Statutes, “Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session,” relative to the items(s) listed below. A roll call vote was conducted and all members present voted “aye.” County Administrator Mark W. Luberda remained in closed session. HHS Administrative Analyst Lisa Kadlec; Corrections Field Supervisor Penny Vogt; and Contract Specialist for DHS Scott Timm remained on the telephone.

a) Community placement options for Anthony Teifke

The Committee reconvened in open session at 2:14 p.m. on motion and second by Vice Chair Cotter and GIS Supervisor/Land Information Officer Drayna.

Vice Chair Cotter offered a motion, second by Director-IT Giller, to proceed as discussed in closed session on item 8 a), above herein, and to:

- **Share the house identified as Property U with the landlord interested in purchasing a property to lease to 980 offenders**
- **Continue outreach to rental landlord and indicate whether interested no later than January 28**
- **After gauging purchasing intent of landlord, submit an offer of \$250,000 on property U**

Motion carried 6-0.

Confirmation of next meeting date and time: The next meeting was confirmed for Thursday, February 3, at 1:00 p.m.

Adjournment

On motion and second by Director-IT Giller and GIS Supervisor/Land Information Officer Drayna, Chair Nevcosi adjourned the meeting at 2:16 p.m.

Submitted by Jennifer Stinnett, Administrative Assistant. Meeting minutes are not considered final until approved by the Housing Sexually Violent Persons Committee at the next regularly scheduled meeting.