

**BAYFIELD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Conference Room A remote via phone access**

**July 19, 2021**

**3:00 p.m.**

DRAFT: Subject to change  
at the September meeting.

**Committee Members Present:** Karen Anderson, Richard Kemmer, David Zepczyk,

**Committee Member Excused:**

**Committee Member Absent:** Lynette Benzschawel, Red Cliff Elder Program Representative

**Staff Present:** Carrie Linder, Alannah Belanger, Elizabeth Skulan

**Others Present:** Mary Dougherty

**Call to Order and Introductions**

Kemmer called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and introduction were made and roll call was taken.

**Discussion and Possible Action-Review of the May 17,2021 Meeting Minutes**

Tabled item until next meeting on September 20, 2021 due to lack of quorum

**Review Draft Aging Plan Goals 2022-2024**

Tabled item until next meeting on September 20, 2021 due to lack of quorum

C. Linder shared that there was a lot of local data gathered to help draft the 2022-2024 Aging Plan Goals; hard copies of surveys were sent out, an online version was made available on the Bayfield County Website, committee members performed one on one interviews and 10 listening sessions were held in local communities. Most of the concerns discussed included transportation, housing, and nutrition. The goals cover caregiver support, health promotion and isolation, nutrition equity, and person-centered transportation. Transportation has been a slow process, but thoughtful to what is important to connect the rider and community. Health promotion and isolation has a lot to do with social isolation and people feeling left out to being a rural resident and COVID- 19 concerns. This will include a public outreach campaign for the wellbeing of each other. Caregiver support goal connects caregivers with a variety of resources. There is a shortage of paid caregivers in our area, and hard to find new workers so it is important to look beyond traditional service delivery.

**Committee Member Resignation and Committee Member Recruitment**

Linder shared that Sam Ray from The Brick Food Shelf handed in her resignation as a committee member due to leaving her position with the BRICK. She is working with the director at The Brick in hopes to get the new hire onboard with replacing that agency position. The ADAC committee is down four members, and we are in the need to recruitment. Hopeful to get Cable, Barnes, Iron River and Washburn represented.

**Other (Program Updates and Informational Items)**

- A. Staffing Updates- JoAnn Paraventi retired after 9 years with Bayfield County. Brynna Moffit-Waters has joined the team to take her place and is doing wonderful. Kristin Opperman has given her resignation and has accepted employment with the South Shore School District; we have extended a job offer to a potential replacement.

B. Living Well Newsletter- Next week the newsletter will be sent to every household in Bayfield County. This was made possible with a COVID-19 Vaccination Community Outreach grant from WIDHS.

**Future Meeting Dates 2021**

Next meeting: **September 20, 2021**

**Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 4:01 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Alannah Belanger, Clerk I  
7/23/2021