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Department of Human Services

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March 26, 2024
2024 MEETING #2

The Fremont County Board of Human Services (BOHS) met in Regular Session Tuesday, March 26, 2024 in Conference Room 208 at the Fremont County Administration Building, 615 Macon, Cañon City, Colorado. Chairman Bell called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m. Those present included:

Dwayne McFall	Board Member	Present
Kevin Grantham	Chairman Pro Tem	Present
Debbie Bell	Chairman and Treasurer	Present

Also present: Eric Bellas, Fremont County Attorney, Tony Carochi, Fremont County Manager, Barry Acton, Agency Administrator, Department of Human Services (DHS), Vicki White, DHS, Amanda Wright, DHS.

MINUTES: Board Member McFall moved, duly seconded by Board Member Grantham, to accept the minutes of the February 27, 2024 meeting with no additions or deletions. Upon vote: Board Member McFall, aye; Board Member Bell, aye; Board Member Grantham, aye. The motion carried.

AGENDA: There was one addition to the agenda, Amanda Wright to present changes to the Collaborative Management Group under new business. Board Member Grantham moved, duly seconded by Board Member McFall to approve the March 26, 2024 meeting agenda. Upon vote: Board Member McFall, aye; Board Member Bell, aye; Board Member Grantham, aye. The motion carried.

FINANCIAL/CASELOAD REPORT: Director Barry Acton discussed the caseload count and summary budget reports with no noteworthy variances from the previous month. After discussion, Board Member McFall moved, duly seconded by Board Member Grantham to accept the February 2024 financial and caseload reports. Upon vote: Board Member McFall, aye; Board Member Bell, aye; Board Member Grantham, aye. The motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Director Barry Acton shared a written report regarding the current staff open positions, a summary of the community partners he met with, and events that were attended during the month. Discussions were held regarding the ongoing New MOD Trails system upgrades are doing well and staff are happy with the new system. After a full discussion, Board Member Grantham moved, duly seconded by Board Member McFall to accept the monthly report. Upon vote: Board Member McFall, aye; Board Member Bell, aye; Board Member Grantham, aye. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Director Barry Acton presented the proposed written 4/10 work schedule policy as requested by the commissioners. After a quick review and discussion of the written policy, the commissioner's requested more time to review the policy in full.

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NEW BUSINESS:

Amanda Wright discussed upcoming changes to Legislative HB1249 that was passed last year for Collaborative Management Program funding model changes. She stated that our current funding has been based on meeting 3 performance measures, 3 process measures and serving a certain number of children and youth. Based on this, we were serving large county numbers despite being a medium county which is why we received more money than any other CMP county last year. The new funding formula, which hasn't officially been approved by the State yet, will be based on county size/population, poverty, cost of living and underserved populations. On average, since she took over the position in 2021, we have received \$200,000 each year to help fund our programs along with part of her salary (we previously only received \$76,000 annually). Since our funding has been increased, our program funding has also been increased. Currently, our programming costs about \$160,000. This next year the group voted on adding a Restorative Justice Program to assist the RE-1 school district and that program is estimated to cost our IOG \$36,000. This year we will still be receiving a large amount, but starting next year and each year after that we will start seeing a reduction and will eventually be down to getting only \$90,000/year. This means we will have to start cutting programs/funding. They currently have around \$760,000 in reserves and the State suggested that we continue to spend conservatively because we will have to rely on this money in the future to sustain our programming until other funding is found or programs can be eliminated.

With there being no other business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 1:59 p.m.



Chairman, Fremont County Board of Human Services

4/30/2024

Date

Secretary

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STATE OF COLORADO
COUNTY OF FREMONT

ATHORIZATIONS AND PAYMENTS MADE BY FREMONT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

ELECTRONIC BENEFIT TRANSACTIONS FOR MARCH 2024
\$ 1,820,288.75

WARRANTS ISSUED MARCH 21, 2024 THROUGH APRIL 17, 2024

3/28/2024	284,796.12
4/3/2024	29,570.24
4/10/2024	319,917.44
4/17/2024	7,529.19
Total	641,812.99

I, Barry Acton, Director of the Department of Human Services, of Fremont County, Colorado, hereby certify that the payments as set forth herein as of this date have been approved and authorized to be issued through the EBT system or warrant.

4/30/2024
Date


Barry Acton, Director

We the undersigned Fremont County Board of Commissioners acting in the capacity of Fremont County Board of Human Services do hereby certify the above EBT authorizations and ratify the warrants issued, having been properly certified by the Director of Fremont County Department of Human Services according to law, are approved for payment. Done this 30th day of April, 2024.


Chairman McFall


Commissioner Bell


Commissioner Grantham

