

**Walworth County Board of Supervisors
Housing Sexually Violent Persons Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 11, 2021
Walworth County Government Center, County Board Room 114
100 West Walworth Street, Elkhorn, Wisconsin**

Chair Carlo Nevicosi called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll call was conducted and the following members were present, either in person or by remote attendance: Chair Carlo Nevicosi; 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; Health and Human Services Analyst Lisa Kadlec; Deputy Director/County Conservationist-LURM Lindsay Motl; and Corrections Field Supervisor Penny Vogt. Contract Specialist-Advanced Supervised Release Program Bureau of Community Forensic Services Angela Serwa was absent. A quorum was declared.

On motion by Director-Information Technologies (IT) Giller, second by Vice Chair Cotter, the agenda was approved with no withdrawals.

On motion by Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Supervisor/Land Information Officer Drayna, second by Director-IT Giller, the September 30, 2021 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 advised that the group home owner decided he was not interested in entering into a lease agreement with the State. The owner stated he is going to list the property for sale on the open market. He disclosed to Nevicosi what his sale price will be, and indicated that he is working with a gentleman that Corrections Supervisor Penny Vogt had conversations with early on in reference to him purchasing a residence in order to lease it to the state. Vogt confirmed she had left a message for the landlord in regards to whether he would be interested in leasing the property if he does indeed purchase, but he has yet to return the call.

Nevicosi reiterated that Chapter 980 is agendaized for the next Health and Human Services (HHS) Board meeting on October 20 and he has discussed the topic with the Chair.

Nevicosi stated that HHS Analyst Lisa Kadlec shared the name of an individual she has worked with who buys and flips houses; and subsequently leases the properties to mentally ill persons. Nevicosi reached out to this landlord and he was very interested in the lowest priced property the Committee had discussed previously. Nevicosi scheduled a call with this individual and Contract Specialist for Department of Health Services (DHS), Scott Timm for later this week to discuss entering into a lease agreement with the State. Nevicosi also reached out to real estate agents for the three for sale properties that had been identified as meeting the initial statute requirements to inquire as to whether the sellers may be interested in becoming landlords to lease to the State. Zero individuals have returned a call at this time. Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Supervisor/Land Information Officer Dale Drayna stated that one of the three properties was now contingent. Nevicosi proposed asking the Sheriff's Office to investigate whether there are any children living adjacent to the two remaining properties.

New business

8a. Report Status

Nevicosi stated he will update the report to include the discussion from today's meeting. Vogt recommended adding details regarding how many of the Committee Members reached out to possible landlords and of those landlords who reviewed the list of properties. Vogt stated this demonstrates the vast number of properties considered and shared with multiple prospective landlords. Nevicosi will finish the report this afternoon and submit it to the court. Vice Chair Michael Cotter stated that he will attend the October 20 hearing. He said he would not speak for the Committee but could explain what has transpired, if necessary.

Chair Nevicosi relayed that closed session will not be necessary as there are no new properties to discuss.

9. The committee may discuss the following topic in open session. The committee may convene in closed session 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) Community placement options for Anthony Teifke

Confirmation of next meeting date and time: The next meeting was confirmed for Thursday, October 21, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

Adjournment

On motion and second by Director-IT Giller and Vice Chair Cotter, Chair Nevicosi adjourned the meeting at 10:15 a.m.