

SAMARITAN COMMITTEE
November 30, 2005
8:30 AM

Present: Dan Stoffel, Ralph Hensel, Larry Hoffman, Brian Bausch, Paul Tuchscherer, Ed Somers

Also Present: Ryan Raskin, John Kapal

Meeting called to order at 8:30 AM.

Paul Tuchscherer moved to approve the minutes of 10/21/05, second by Brian Bausch, motion carried.

Review and take action on Assisted Living Bid Package B Re-bid: Glass and Glazing, Fire Protection System, Electrical - Ryan Raskin was present to discuss the results of the bid package B re-bid. The lowest responsible, responsive bidders were:

Glass and Glazing	West Bend Glass	\$37,892
Fire Protection System	United States Fire Protection	\$49,888
Electrical	Steiner Electric	\$265,384 (-\$3,227 for alt. #1)

At the October 25th County Board meeting the supervisors agreed to increase the Samaritan contribution to the project and set the budget amount for the project at \$3.5 Million. This figure is in line with the current construction market for the quality level expected of county buildings.

Larry Hoffman moved to recommend to the Washington County Board of Supervisors to award the contracts in Bid package B re-bid to West Bend Glass for Glass and Glazing at \$37,892, United States Fire Protection for Fire Protection System at \$49,888, and Steiner Electric for Electrical at \$265,384 and accept alternate #1 for a total \$262,157, second by Brian Bausch, motion carried.

Assisted Living Construction Update - Ryan Raskin and John Kapal gave a slide show presentation of the project to date for the committee as well as a schedule update. Mr. Somers discussed authority for change orders to the project. The last major construction project, the committee authorized the Administrator to approve change orders up to \$10,000, with a report to the committee at the next meeting. Mr. Tuchscherer felt the administrator should contact the committee members to give an update on change orders as they happen. Mr. Stoffel suggested Mr. Somers contact the chair to determine if all members needed a call.

Larry Hoffman moved to authorize the administrator to approve change orders up to \$10,000 per instance, with an update provided to committee chair at the time of the change order, and a full explanation of all changes to the committee, second by Paul Tuchscherer, motion carried.

Ralph Hensel was excused at 9:45 AM

2005/2006 Outlay Exchange - In 2005 we were unable to complete some projects slated to be done through Outlay, those projects are fire alarm devices upgrade, DDC valves for 2 North, and one ice machine, with a budgeted value of \$48,800. We would like to exchange these projects with the Wandering system upgrade in the 2006 Outlay budget with a budgeted value of \$49,000. This would eliminate the need to do a non-lapsing account.

Paul Tuchscherer moved to exchange fire alarm devices upgrade, DDC valves for 2-North, and one ice machine scheduled to be purchased in 2005 with the Wandering system upgrade scheduled for 2006, second by Brian Bausch, motion carried.

2006 Union Contract Re-opener - The union agreed with the county's offer for wages and insurance for 2006.

Medicare Part D Update - Samaritan is actively enrolling residents with prescription drug providers (PDP). Residents not choosing a PDP accepted by Omnicare will have to find a pharmacy that accepts their PDP and can meet the packaging and delivery requirements for our facility. We are having informational meetings on Medicare Part D on December 14, 2005 at 2PM and 4PM; residents and other interested parties are invited to attend. We are also hosting a training session for the doctors that same day at 7AM.

Reports from Administrator

X-Ray Vendor - We have switched X-Ray vendors to DMS Imaging, we had a problem with lengthy waits on X-Ray results with our old vendor. The change is effective December 1st.

Title 19 Rates - The rate freeze imposed by the state actually served to reduce our rates because Medicare reduced its labor region factor for our area. It affects us worse than some homes because of our higher nurse staffing ratios.

Holiday Party - The staff Holiday party will be December 8th.

Letter to Members of Joint Finance - AB 802 would distribute additional IGT funds to all county homes. Representative Kitty Rhoades is proposing an amendment that would give the money to all nursing homes. I sent a letter to all members of the joint finance committee opposing the amendment.

Larry Hoffman moved to adjourn at 10:18 AM, second by Brian Bausch, motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for December 20, 2005 at 9:00 AM.

Dan Stoffel, Chairperson

Larry Hoffman, Secretary

Edward Somers, Administrator

