

## **JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Minutes: September 6, 2022**

**Attendees:** Deb Schorr, County Board; Christa Yoakum, County Board; Dave Derbin, County Board CAO; James Michael Bowers, City Council; Meagan Liesveld, United Way; Sara Hoyle, Human Services; and Jenni Ryan (Human Services)

**Excused:** Sandra Washington, City Council; TJ McDowell, Mayor's Office; Patrick Kreifels, Region V

James called the meeting to order. Christa made a motion to approve the consent agenda & the minutes from July. Dave seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

### **Human Services Updates:**

- CPC Update:
  - 4 populations utilizing CPC (homeless population was the largest, next was DUI's, less than 100 people/year were needing EPC, and there were about 34 youth)
  - There's been a philosophy change at LPD about not needing to lock up homeless people for being intoxicated. We are contracting with people's City Mission for 10 rooms in the Curtis Center. There will be a max 3 day stay for individuals to utilize this space.
  - LPD or a partner agency approved by them may place individuals here.
  - Harm Reduction pod has arrived. It's being set up for use & CenterPointe will be running it.
  - Cedars will take intoxicated youth if officers are unable to return them home.
  - There will also be an intoxylizer at the Police station on the east side of town for those officers to use.
- Keno HS Prevention – applications will be open Sept 1-30<sup>th</sup>.
- Domestic Violence Services – Sara was asked by Voices of Hope & Friendship Home about developing some clarity about who should be providing what services.
  - They, along with Family Violence Council still operate from an old MOU that was developed to outline roles and responsibilities amongst the three agencies but there is a lot of confusion about who does what.
  - Have reached out to the State on what they're doing.
  - Collaborated with Woods to interview 3 different facilitators/evaluators to assess services & develop a strategic plan.
  - An assessment by Wesleyan will cost \$11,000.
  - Survivors are having to tell their story to multiple agencies.
  - LPD Victim Witness Unit will be involved as well.

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

#### **Keno Endowment Fund Interlocal**

Proposing a third interlocal to allow for \$100,000 to be used to help with the Harm Reduction Center pod.

**VOTE: Christa motioned to approve the revised Keno Endowment Fund Interlocal, Dave seconded. Motion Passed 4-0.**

**UPDATES:**

**Opioid Allocations**

- The State is receiving 85% of the allocation with Cities & Counties splitting the other 15% based on population.
- City is looking at treatment services for youth.
- County is considering putting their allocation in a fund to grow.
- Deb is sitting on a committee to review how the State will use their funds.

**State Gambling Prevention Allocation** – TABLED till next meeting.

**REPORTS:**

**United Way – Meagan Liesveld:** They are kicking off their Campaign on Thursday. Goal is set at \$6.5 Million. Funds will be dispersed in July 2023. \$325,000 were dispersed to 7 agencies in August to help resettlement efforts. A new LOI will come out in October for the upcoming funding cycle.

**Region V – Patrick Kreifels:** Not present

**Mayor’s Office/One Lincoln – TJ McDowell:** Not present

**Next Meeting:** November 28, 2022 from 2:00-3:30pm in the Bill Luxford Studio – Room 113

Respectfully Submitted:

Jenni Ryan, Lancaster County Human Services