

**GUNNISON/HINSDALE BOARD OF HUMAN SERVICES
MEETING MINUTES
December 18, 2018**

The December 18, 2018 meeting of the Gunnison/Hinsdale Board of Human Services was held in the Board of County Commissioners' meeting room located at 200 E. Virginia Avenue, Gunnison, Colorado. Present were:

Phil Chamberland, Chairperson (ABSENT)
Susan Thompson, Vice-Chairperson (VIA PHONE)
Jonathan Houck, Commissioner
John Messner, Commissioner

Joni Reynolds, Health & Human Services Director
Matthew Birnie, County Manager
Elizabeth Mense, Deputy County Clerk
Other Persons Present as Listed in Text

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Houck called the meeting to order at 8:32 am.

AGENDA REVIEW: There were no changes to the agenda.

MINUTES APPROVAL: **Moved** by Commissioner Houck, seconded by Commissioner Messner to approve the minutes of the 8/21/18 Gunnison/Hinsdale Board of Human Services Meeting. Motion carried.

FINANCE UPDATE: Senior Accountant Kelly Weak was present for the discussion. She stated that the finances are on track.

Moved by Commissioner Messner, seconded by Commissioner Houck to approve the financials as presented. Motion carried.

2019 BOARD PLANNING: Health and Human Services Director Joni Reynolds discussed potential agenda topics for 2019 and inquired if the Board had any input. She would like to meet with each Commissioner in the coming weeks to discuss 2019 board planning. Susan Thompson called into the meeting at 8:36 am. Commissioner Messner asked Director Reynolds what legislative topics she thinks will be on the radar for 2019. Director Reynolds stated that the Family First Act and the Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) will likely be discussed. Commissioner Houck inquired about community outreach for certified providers for foster care. Director Reynolds stated that her department has been working on recruitment. There are currently three additional foster care providers in the works within Gunnison County. There is still a need for foster home providers in Hinsdale County. Director Reynolds stated that she has reached out to a third party child placement agency to inquire about therapeutic foster homes. Early childcare education was also discussed. Director Reynolds stated that Seasons Schoolhouse will be staying at their current location on Virginia Avenue. There is still an immediate need for child care slots for infants and toddlers across the valley.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for February 19, 2019.

ADJOURN: **Moved** by Commissioner Houck to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:55 am.

Minutes Prepared By:

Elizabeth Mense, Deputy County Clerk

Minutes Approved February 19, 2019

Jonathan Houck, Commissioner