

RESOLUTION NO.: 132—2015-16

TO THE HONORABLE, THE OUTAGAMIE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

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1 Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 46.82 (4) the county is required to have a Commission on Aging
2 (or Aging Committee) to advise the County Board and Department of Health and Human
3 Services on services and programs for the elderly. Under Wisconsin Statute 46.27 the county was
4 required to have a Long Term Support Advisory Committee to develop and direct the Community
5 Options Program (COP) and other Long Term Support Programs. In 2005, these Committees
6 were combined in Outagamie County to create the Aging and Long Term Support Advisory
7 Committee. Additionally the county is to have a Specialized Transportation Advisory Committee
8 to advise the county on transportation services for elderly and individuals with disabilities. The
9 Specialized Transportation Advisory Committee currently stands as an independent committee.
10 All three committees were organized between 1978 and 1982.

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12 The 2015 – 2017 biennial budget eliminated the need for a Long Term Support Advisory
13 Committee in counties where Family Care has been implemented. The majority of COP funding
14 was transferred by the State to fund Family Care. The remaining COP funds were spent on
15 services for consumers who did not meet target group eligibility criteria for Family Care,
16 specifically children and individuals with chronic mental illness/brain disease. The 2015-2017
17 biennial budget divided the remaining COP allocation between these two target groups expanding
18 a block grant to serve individuals with chronic mental illness/brain disease. Funds spent on
19 services for children were combined with Family Support funds to create the Children's
20 Community Options Program. The COP allocation ended with the start of the biennial budget.
21 The last remaining functions of the Long Term Support Advisory committee ended as COP
22 funding was shifted.

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24 To streamline the current advisory committee structure, this resolution requests that the
25 Specialized Transportation Advisory Committee be attached as a subcommittee to the Aging
26 Committee. The Specialized Transportation subcommittee will continue to advise the Department
27 of Health and Human Services and the County Board of Supervisors on current transportation
28 programs and host the required annual 85.21 public hearing.

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30 The Specialized Transportation subcommittee members would include: a representative from the
31 East Central Wisconsin Regional Planning Authority; Valley Transit; current transportations
32 providers funded under the 85.21 grant, the Outagamie County Planning Department; UW
33 Extension, the Outagamie County Board of Supervisors; citizen and advocate organization
34 representatives and members of the Aging Advisory Committee.

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36 NOW THEREFORE, the undersigned members of the Health and Human Services Committee
37 recommend adoption of the following resolution.

38 BE IT RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Board of Supervisors does authorize the
39 Specialized Transportation Committee be merged with the Aging Committee as an advisory
40 subcommittee; the Long Term Support Advisory Committee be dissolved; that the Aging Committee

1 (Committee on Aging) continue as a free standing committee to address the needs of older adults in the
2 community, and

3 BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Outagamie County Clerk be directed to forward a copy
4 of this resolution to the Outagamie County Human Resources Director and the Outagamie County
5 Director of Health & Human Services.

6 Dated this ____ day of February 2016

7 Respectfully submitted,
8 HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
9 COMMITTEE

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23 Duly and officially adopted by the County Board on: _____

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26 Board Chairperson

County Clerk

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28 Approved: _____

Vetoed: _____

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30 Signed: _____
31 County Executive

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