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## **Human Services Advisory Committee Minutes of June 25, 2014 Meeting**

**Present:** Sara Anderson (Advocates for Children); Fred Goetz (ADA); Ethel Mantzaris (YSB), chair; Dexter Eddy (Housing Authority); Joan Terry (Comm. on Aging)

**Absent:** Ron Baker (Member at Large); Lorraine Kenowski (Member at Large); Victoria Nimirowski (WAIM);

**Staff:** Pat Schneider, Director of Human Services

The chairman called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

The minutes of the May 2014 meeting were approved as written.

Pat updated the Committee on a number of issues.

**Staffing** – Sarah Taylor has been hired as the Program Coordinator at the Senior Center. She previously worked in Coventry in a similar position. Applications are being accepted for a van driver. There is a preferred candidate for the early childhood vacancy who will hopefully be hired shortly.

**Program** – Due to a highly successful fund raising effort, over 100 kids applied for camperships. Although not all could be awarded full camperships, some received partial funds and other resources aided many others. As the applications were reviewed, department personnel were able to identify a number of individuals and families who could use assistance in other ways. The department is beginning to refine the holiday assistance program.

**Bus Stop** – Joan said that the Commission on Aging read a letter at a recent Council meeting asking that a covered bus stop with seating be installed at the bus stop nearest the Community Center.

**Playground** – A planner has been hired to determine details of the site preparation. Several fund raising events are planned.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Terry, Secretary