

APPROVED

**Human Services Advisory Committee  
Minutes of December 10, 2014 Meeting**

**Present:** Lorraine Kenowski (Member at Large); Ethel Mantzaris (YSB), chair; Victoria Nimirowski (WAIM); Dexter Eddy (Housing Authority); Joan Terry (Senior Center Assn.)

**Absent:** Ron Baker (Member at Large); Fred Goetz (ADA)

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

The chairman called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. The minutes from the September 10, 2014 meeting were approved as written.

**Staff** – Pat reported that all staff positions have been filled as two part-time van drivers have been hired who will begin work by January. Having drivers on staff will allow the van to be used more often for both out-of-town medical and local trips. Two of the staff members, Kathy Ann Easley and Kate Bohainen, now have their LMSW licenses.

**Programs** – The adopt-a-family program expects to reach over 100 children this year. Applicants have been requested to include family oriented gifts on their wish lists.

**New** – There has been increased participation at the senior center. Youth services is forming a Mommy and Me support group. There will be a winter adventure program at the community center.

**Budget** – Pat reminded us that budget season has just begun. She will have local grant requests for us to review at our January meeting.

**Meeting Dates** – Meeting dates for 2015 were set as follows: January 28, March 25, May 27, September 30 and December 9. We will continue to meet at 3:30 p.m.

There was a discussion about the fact that the Town Council failed to allow a grant request to be submitted to help fund the proposed playground.

Joan Terry remarked that the new staff member at the senior center and the center supervisor seem to be a wonderful combination of talents.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joan Terry, Secretary