



**In-Home Supportive Services
Public Authority Advisory Committee
of Mariposa County
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MINUTES

Monday, August 12th, 2024

Members Present: Darlene Miles, Dana Hallett, Eva Adams, Mary Dempsey & Mary Wilson

Members Absent: N/A

Union Representative(s): Absent

Staff Present: Janet Gass & Jason Allen

Board Of Supervisors (BOS) Liaison(s): Rosemarie Smallcombe

Guest(s): N/A

Recording Secretary: Jason Allen

Call to Order and Introductions: Seeing a quorum, the regular meeting of the In-Home Supportive Services Advisory Committee was called to order at 1:35PM by

Chair Dana Hallett. The Committee proceeded to consider the agenda and the following actions were taken or direction given:

1. Public Comments:

- a. Eva mentioned that some people did not or were unable to evacuate during the French Fire and asked if there is some sort of transportation to help people to get out. She was told that the transportation program, Sheriff's department or Public Health can help.

2. Approvals:

- a. August 12th, 2024 Agenda:
 - i. By unanimous vote, the committee approved the motion of Mary W., with a second by Eva, to approve the August 12th, 2024 Agenda.
- b. July 15th, 2024 Minutes:
 - i. By unanimous vote, the committee approved the motion of Mary W., with a second by Eva, to approve the July 15th, 2024 Minutes.

3. UDWA - Union Status Update:

- a. N/A

4. New Business:

- a. N/A

5. Board of Supervisors / Agency and Branch Updates:

- a. Rosemarie Smallcombe - Board of Supervisors (BOS):

- i. Discussed state legislature that would amend California Older Americans Act that has gone through senate, read twice in assembly and is currently coming back for a third read through. Votes on the legislation have been supportive so far and it is likely that it will pass. It would change the Older Americans Act to improve governing of provisions to the elderly and disabled populations and would bring CA state law into compliance with federal law, would direct CA Department of Aging and Disabilities to identify older adult and family caregiver support services in forming better caregiver support programs. This would also open conversation about the structure of how currently existing services are provided. Mariposa is currently part of a regional agency on aging known as Area 12 Agency on Aging and Rosemarie mentioned that it should be discussed whether Mariposa is best served by continuing to be a part of this Joint Power Authority (JPA) or if it would be more beneficial to pursue other avenues.

b. Christy – IHSS:

- i. Not present at this meeting.

c. Janet – Public Authority:

- i. In August 2024 2-3 new applications for IHSS services have been received, 6 people have signed up to become a provider of services

and Social Workers are conducting multiple reassessment appointments each day.

- ii. Staff has been conducting outreach and volunteering to provide shelter coverage during fires and also helping cover cooling centers.
- iii. Rosemarie asked about stats from July, Janet gave a run down of what the different numbers represent as far as how many recipients/providers are applying and how many reassessment appointments are being conducted. Janet agreed to send her some more in-depth information that Rosemarie can take back to the other board members.
- iv. Mary W. asked about the friendly Visitor Program, Janet gave an overview of what it is and explained that it is entirely separate from IHSS providing. Volunteer participants are needed.

6. Quarterly Stats Update: Due in September

7. Next Scheduled Meeting Date: September 9th, 2024.

8. Adjournment: @ 2:30PM.