

**SPECIAL HEALTH & MEDICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**November 9, 2011**

**Present:**

**Lawrence Andrews, Chairman**  
**Reginald Crowley**  
**Robin Andrews**  
**Edward Cross**  
**Kevin McDonald**  
**Raymond Staats**

**Also Present:**

**Becky Vinchiarello, Dep. Clerk**  
**Gail DiCosmo, Clerk**  
**David Robinson**  
**Kenneth Wilber**  
**Ronald Caponera**  
**Arthur Proper**  
**Edward Nabozny**  
**Arthur Baer**  
**Patrick Grattan**  
**Arthur Bassin**  
**Lynda Scheer**  
**Valarie Bertram**  
**Jeffrey Braley**  
**William Hughes**  
**Roy Brown**  
**Margaret Robertson**  
**Kenneth Flood**

**Public: 2**

Prior to the meeting being called to order a presentation was given by D. Robinson regarding the proposed new Pine Haven Facility. Maps of the available land were presented. The architects were discussed. The new Nursing Home would be based on a household model.

Different phases of architectural drawings were shown. The potential locations for the nursing home, on the property the County owns, were discussed.

Reimbursement numbers from the state were discussed. The reimbursements come to the County from residents that are Medicaid. There would be 100% reimbursement on principle and up to 85% on the interest would be received.

Cash impact on the county for the first year would be budget neutral.

Private pay rates have been being increased over the past few years with the anticipation of this new facility. Staffing would be the same although this issues needs to be discussed with the Union.

A. Proper is working on readjusting assignments and the universal worker concept will be looked into. This too would need to be discussed with the Union.

Next few steps – With the Boards approval the CON application will be submitted. This includes a series of drawings, a narrative, and the cost being sent to the State Health Department. The Health Department will review the plan and provide recommendations and comments. Changes will be made and then the DOH will recommend to the Hospital that the County go ahead with the plan. The CON process takes around 9-12 months. All cost spend at this point is reimbursable. There is a possibility that the existing Pine Haven building may be used as a Veteran Services Building. When the CON is submitted an early start date may be requested.

After the presentation Chairman Andrews called the meeting to order at 6:59 P.M.

**Resolution Request** – Authorization for the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to submit a Certificate of Need (CON) application to the NYS Department of Health for the construction of a new 128 bed skilled nursing facility no later than the end of this month. Motion to approve by R. Andrews, seconded by J. Musall, motion carried. Refer to Finance.

There was then a motion to approve the purchase of a van for the residents of the Pine Haven Home with money gifted to the faculty. Motion to approve by J. Musall, seconded by R. Andrews, motion carried.

With no further business there was a motion to adjourn at 7:03 P.M. by L. Andrews, seconded by R. Andrews, motion carried.