<u>Lincoln County Homelessness Task Force Meeting Minutes</u> <u>March 16, 2017</u> Menard Resource Center

Attending: Melissa Schroeder-NCCAP, Ann Jelinek-Our Sisters House, Kathy Gruett – Our Saviors, Don Heyel-Trinity Lutheran Church, Sue Norenberg-SVDP, Diane Sennholz-NCCAP.

Welcome and Introductions:

Welcome and introductions were made.

Overview of Last Meeting:

No changes to the February minutes.

Homeless Counts: None given.

<u>Update from Merrill Warming Center Committee</u>: The LA Salon was sold, so this site is no longer an option. Currently they are working on establishing a separate 501(c) 3 status. Melissa reported the committee had received the By-Laws and Articles of Incorporation from Frederick's Place in Rhinelander, which is not Faith based.

Program Updates:

HAVEN: Melissa Schroeder trained the Haven personnel to use VI-SPDAT so they can enter information into Service Point.

SVDP: Reported the local High School is starting a food pantry. There will also be clothing available. The pantry is going to try to be self-sufficient, relying on the student population to provide donations.

A couple of people have used the motel within the past month.

Our Sisters House: One family with three children are at the house at this time. Up to 14 individuals can be housed. Their recent fundraisers were successful.

NCCAP: All ETH Prevention dollars and the ETH Rapid Re-housing funds are allocated. The two apartments in Merrill are full.

University Extension: Nothing at this time.

The Merrill Habitat for Humanity will meet March 21, 2017 at 6:00pm at St. Stephans Church to discuss the potential offer (turn-over of properties and the mortgages) to the Wausau Habitat for Humanity group.

Next Meeting: Next meeting is April 20, 2017 at the Menard Resource Center beginning at 8:30am.