Idaho County Board of Community Guardians 9/12/18

Location: Idaho County Courthouse, Commissioner's Chambers

Submitted by: Andrea Solberg, acting secretary

In attendance:

Board Members: Alan Fox, Lynda Fox, Larry Clark, Darlene Clark, Debbie Hays, Andrea Solberg Non-member: Kirk MacGregor, BOCG attorney and Joan Haaland-Guardian

Minutes:

Old Business: The minutes of the previous meeting were not dispensed due to the absence of secretary, Tara Nida.

Update on the status of guardianship for M.F. was presented by board attorney, Kirk MacGregor. Her nephew,W.N., has filed for guardianship. W.N. has requested through his attorney, Brennan Wright, that the BOCG suspend their petition for guardianship at the Oct. 3, 2018 hearing. The BOCG has currently been granted temporary guardianship and Twila Hornbeck is serving as the board's representative as guardian for M.F.. Kirk informed the board that family has priority to serve as guardian and that M.F. has informed the judge that she would prefer W.N. to be her guardian. Kirk recommended that the BOCG withdraw their petition for guardianship. Andrea so moved. Alan amended the motion to state that if W.N. were to back out, Kirk has the authority to continue with the BOCG petition for permanent guardianship. The motion was seconded by Debbie and the motion passed as amended. Kirk shared with the board that he was informed by M.F.'s attorney, Matt Jessup that M.F. is currently living in The Sandpoint Assisted Living Facility.

Kirk informed the board the petition for L.M. has not been completed. He intends on completing it within the next couple of weeks. Idaho County has been experiencing a significant increase in crime the last two weeks. Kirk has been inundated with those cases and has been unable to complete the petition for L.M.

New Business:

Joan Haaland informed the board she has filed a request for a change of beneficiary on the life insurance policy for her ward (S.L.). The life insurance policy currently names S.L.'s former landlord as the beneficiary. Joan is requesting Blackmer Funeral Home to be named the beneficiary. The approximate amount of the policy is \$5000 and would be used for funeral expenses for S.L. If S.L. were to leave the area before her death, Blackmer Funeral Home would forward the insurance money to S.L.'s final resting place for expenses. If there were any money remaining after funeral expenses, those dollars would go to the state to cover S.L.'s unmet care expenses. Joan also reported Grangeville Rehab suggested Joan contact the life insurance company to request that S.L.'s policy premium be changed to a permanent amount so that she can afford to make her monthly payments. Joan contacted the insurance company. The insurance company denied this request as that option is only available after the insured turns 80 years old. S.L. is 75 years old.

Our next meeting will be on January 17, 2019. Alan moved to adjourn the meeting and Debbie seconded it. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.

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Minutes Approved January 17, 2019