



HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Tuesday, October 15, 2024, Time: 10:00 AM
Committee Room 213, 2nd floor, 74 Ontario Street,
Canandaigua, NY 14424

Committee Members

Dan Marshall, Chair
Fred Wille
James Kennedy
Fred Stresing
Bill Wellman
Nancy Yacci

1. Call To Order:

The Health and Human Services Committee meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM on October 15, 2024 by Chair Dan Marshall.

Members Present: Supervisor(s) Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. Absent: . Necessarily Absent: Supervisor(s) .

Others present in addition to committee members:

Todd Campbell, BOS Chair

Chris DeBolt, County Administrator

Alissa Bub, Deputy County Administrator, via
WebEx

Holly Adams, County Attorney

Eileen Tiberio, Commissioner, DSS

Andrea McGraw, Deputy Director, DSS

Kate Ott, Director, Public Health

Jessica Mitchell, Director, Mental Health

Triciajean Jones, Director, Office for the Aging

Peter Ingalsbe, Supervisor, T. of Farmington

Marsha Foote, Director, Youth Bureau

Lance Rearick, Veterans SVS Officer

John Rizzo, Fiscal Manager

Missy White, Fiscal Manager, via WebEx phone

Lindsey Burgess, Deputy Director, HR

Stacy Schmitt, Buyer, via WebEx

Sharon Decker, Grants Coordinator, via WebEx

Gwen Van Laeken, Ex. Dir. The Partnership of OC

Tom Cheney, Coroner

Diane Foster, Deputy Clerk to the BOS

2. Approval Of Minutes:

Supervisor James Kennedy motioned to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2024 Health And Human Services Committee meeting. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Frederick Stresing. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

3. Public Health:

Kate Ott, presented a resolution entitled, "Authorization To Accept SY2025 Program Grant (CFDA# 20.616) from the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee".

Supervisor William Wellman motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor James Kennedy. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

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Kate Ott, presented a resolution entitled, "Authorization To Accept Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program Grant 2024-2025".

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor James Kennedy. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Kate Ott, presented a resolution entitled, "Renewal of Quote Q21095 for Professional Accounting and Consulting Services".

Supervisor Frederick Stresing motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor William Wellman. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Kate Ott, presented the Performance Management Quality Improvement (PMQI) Report for the first quarter of 2024 for approval.

Supervisor Frederick Wille motioned to approve the informational report as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Nancy Yacci. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Kate Ott presented the Policy Manual Updates, noting the Article 28 Manual and the Nursing Procedures Manual, for approval

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the updates as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor William Wellman. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Kate Ott gave the following updates:

- There is a drive-thru flu vaccination clinic on October 29 for employees. This is used as an emergency preparedness drill.
- NYS is testing waste water in Canandaigua. They have been seeing some Covid, but it is the same.
- Rabies Coordinator was at Marcus Whitman with different grades, and they made posters about rabies prevention. They did a press release for that.
- There is a plan for H5N1, but there have not been any cases in cattle or in humans at this point. They are working with Finger Lakes Community Health and their migrant program to ensure that folks working on farms get the flu vaccine this year. This will not prevent H5N1 but will prevent intermingling of H5N1 with the regular seasonal flu virus.
- She went to Lake Placid for a conference and noted they had a session on civil service, and they discussed the H.E.L.P. program and said they are further ahead than their counterparts in other counties. She recognized HR for their efforts in this.

4. Mental Health Services:

Jessica Mitchell, presented the following resolutions entitled:

- Amendment of 2024 Contract with Finger Lakes Area Counseling and Recovery Agency
- Amendment of 2024 Contract with Partnership for Ontario County
- Amendment of 2024 Contract with The Arc Ontario
- Amendment of 2024 Contract with Aspire Hope NY, Inc. for Family Support Services
- Amendment of 2024 Contract with Unity House of Cayuga County, Inc., Unity Employment Services
- Amendment of 2024 Contract with Lakeview Health Services

Supervisor James Kennedy motioned to approve these six resolutions, as presented as a block. The motion was seconded by Supervisor William Wellman. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Jessica Mitchell, presented a resolution entitled, "Authorization to Contract with Western New York Heroes, Inc.". She noted a change in the contractual amount to \$55,215.00.

Supervisor Frederick Stresing motioned to approve the resolution as presented with the change in the contractual amount. The motion was seconded by Supervisor William Wellman. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Jessica Mitchell, presented a 2024 budget transfer for approval for Mental Health Contracted Services (mandatory forensic hospitalization) from contingency.

Supervisor James Kennedy motioned to approve the budget transfer as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Nancy Yacci. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

5. Office For The Aging:

Triciajean Jones, presented a resolution entitled, "Authorization to contract with Response 4 Help, a Division of Self Direct, Inc. (R24068) for Personal Emergency Response Systems Office for the Aging".

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Frederick Stresing. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Triciajean Jones, presented a resolution entitled, "Authorization for a Memorandum of Understanding

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between the Office for the Aging and Lifespan of Greater Rochester, Inc.". Ms. Jones said they have already signed the MOU, but the County Attorney's Office has asked her to submit a short form contract so that the County Administrator may sign off on it as well.

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor James Kennedy. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Triciajean Jones presented the following updates:

- She provided data from NYS Office for the Aging (NYSOFA) through a conference she attended in Lake George, discussing the population, homeowners, how much has contributed through volunteer hours, and economics for older adults in our county. She said NYSOFA is working with NYSAC and Aging NY, their advocacy group, to put money into the governor's budget, so they have a reoccurring \$40MM every year.
- They had their Medicare and Wellness fair and public forum earlier this month. They had 86 people attend. They had about 65 people staying for the public forum that gave her feedback about services.
- They had their volunteer appreciation breakfast, honoring about 85 volunteers.
- They had their caregiver panel at Hobart and William Smith, as part of a 4-part series.
- They promoted a specialist to a Supervising Specialist, which has created a vacancy for a specialist.
- Their AIM contract individual started today and is orienting through NY Connects.
- They filled their human service worker position who is helping with the nutrition program.

6. Youth Bureau:

Marsha Foote, presented the following two resolutions entitled:

- Appointment to the Ontario County Youth Board-Michelle Jones
- Appointment to the Ontario County Youth Board-Patricia Bertino

Supervisor James Kennedy motioned to approve these two resolutions, as presented as a block. The motion was seconded by Supervisor William Wellman. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Marsha Foote reported that the Ontario County Youth Board were able to allocate funds to 18 programs in the county. Most of them only needed short-form contracts which were in the amount of under \$10,000. There are a couple that are larger amounts.

7. Department Of Social Services:

Eileen Tiberio gave the following updates:

- She noted her appreciation to HR for the work they did with the H.E.L.P. program and what an enormous help it has been to them.
- At the end of last month, their clerical positions were approved for the H.E.L.P program.
- They have been advocating with state civil services about their caseworker exam for years. The list really doesn't often test for the things that are valuable to them. She said the H.E.L.P program, although a successful impact for them, has been made clear by the civil service, it is a temporary intervention. They are looking at a training experience exam and a structured interview.

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- Last year she was approached by a local motel owner about converting his property to a shelter for them. The initial step was getting the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) to inspect the property. They did not hear back from the property owner until recently, and he is now interested in buying another property with the same idea in mind. With the original property, the OTDA inspection pointed out a significant number of deficits in the building that the property owner isn't prepared to invest the money in to correct in order to make it approved as a shelter. She will be meeting with him next week and will explore options with him.

8. Workforce Development:

Andrea McGraw, presented a Resolution entitled, "Appointment of Ryan Davis to the Finger Lakes Workforce Development Board and Finger Lakes Workforce Investment Board, Inc.".

Supervisor William Wellman motioned to Approve the Resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor James Kennedy. The motion Passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Andrea McGraw gave the following updates:

- They plan to hold another job fair at the Wood Library, scheduled for November 6th from 1:00–4:00 pm. She said they have a waiting list from employers who want to participate.
- They finished up a successful summer youth employment program. They had 61 youths that were working at 23 work sites.

9. County Administrator:

Christopher DeBolt, presented a resolution entitled, "Reappointment of Marsha E. Foote, Director of Ontario County Youth Bureau".

Supervisor Frederick Wille motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Frederick Stresing. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Lindsey Burgess, presented a resolution entitled, "Resolution to Appoint Phillip J. Personale as Commissioner of Social Services Upon Vacancy".

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor James Kennedy. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, William Wellman, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Chris DeBolt introduced Mr. Tom Cheney, one of the Coroners of Ontario County to discuss the coroners' salary. Mr. DeBolt first reminded the committee of the series of changes in the compensation for the coroners over the last several years and explained the most recent changes with the intent of making them equitable among the four coroners. In the agenda packet there was a letter written by all the coroners requesting an across-the-board change.

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Mr. Cheney said the main thing is that this is not a monetary-driven change they want to see, it has nothing to do with the amount of money they are earning currently. He explained they work on a rotating list that they believe does not work as intended. He said there are a lot of discrepancies with the call list for unexplained reasons. He said it has created a borderline hostile work environment between dispatch and the coroners, as well as causing unnecessary stress between the coroners, the sheriffs, the county clerk's office, and the public health office. He believes there should be no deviation from the list. He said the coroners would like to go back to a salary rather than a monetary amount per call. He said they believe if they changed to just a salary, it would alleviate the noted stress and hostile work environment.

Chair Marshall said the reason for making the changes is that some of the coroners weren't responding to the calls. He noted in the letter that NYS and county law's legal obligation is to respond to the calls. These changes were to rectify these unresponsive calls in the past.

Mr. Cheney said he believes this will not be a problem any longer. There was some additional discussion.

Chris DeBolt said there will be discussion at the Ways and Means Committee meeting on Wednesday as well, because it involves monetary changes. Should the committee recommend the modification as requested, it would be a multi-stage process. It is a local law and that local law is subject to a 45-day permissive referendum.

The County Administrator and the County Attorney are looking for directions from Health and Human Services to Ways and Means on what the committee would like to see happen.

Chairman Campbell suggested that there should be some type of reporting or process developed to be sure that all aspects of the request and reporting are covered. Mr. Cheney said they could do quarterly reporting.

The Health and Human Services Committee recommended to refer this back to County Administration to pursue and investigate the proposed modification with all departments involved so that they could "weigh-in" on the request. Supervisor Kennedy requested to include the County Clerk to be part of this related to the check-in and could be an evaluation tool to see how this is working.

10. Unfinished Business:

Chris DeBolt noted that the official formal vote to determine the future of the landfill plans to be held on December 5th.

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to enter executive session at 11:09 am POL§105 1) (d) - Discussions regarding proposed, pending or current litigation. Supervisor James Kennedy seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Supervisor James Kennedy motioned to exit executive session at 11:23 am. Supervisor Frederick Stresing seconded the motion. The motion passed.

11. Next Meeting Date And Time:

Monday, November 4, 2024 in the Committee Room at 74 Ontario Street, 10:00 am.

12. Adjournment:

On a motion of Supervisor Frederick Stresing, seconded by Supervisor Frederick Wille, the Health And

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Human Services Committee meeting was adjourned at 11:23 am.

Respectfully Submitted, Diane R. Foster, Deputy Clerk to the Board