

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: HEALTH SERVICES

DATE: FEBRUARY 25, 2022

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS FRASIER
MCDEVITT
HOGAN (VIA ZOOM)
BRAYMER (VIA ZOOM)
CONOVER (VIA ZOOM)
BEATY (VIA ZOOM)
GERACI (VIA ZOOM)

OTHERS PRESENT:

ROB YORK, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
DEANNA PARK, DIRECTOR, OFFICE FOR THE AGING
REPRESENTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH:
GINELLE JONES, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC HEALTH/PATIENT SERVICES
TAWN DRISCOLL, FISCAL MANAGER
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
LARRY ELMEN, COUNTY ATTORNEY
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER
SUPERVISORS DRISCOLL
MAGOWAN (VIA ZOOM)
SEEBER (VIA ZOOM)
TAMMIE DELORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
DON LEHMAN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
SARAH MCLENITHAN, DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD
LESLIE LOVELACE, SECRETARY TO THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the February 25, 2022 meeting of the Health Services Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link: <https://warrencountyny.gov/mma>

Note: Pursuant to New York State Legislation (S.50001/A.40001): “Notwithstanding the provisions of article 7 of the public officers law to the contrary, any state agency, department, corporation, office, authority, board, or commission, as well as any local public body, or public corporation as defined in section 66 of the general construction law, or political subdivisions as defined in section 100 of the general municipal law, or a committee or subcommittee or other similar body of such entity, shall be authorized to meet and take such action authorized by law without permitting in public in-person access to meetings and authorize such meetings to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided that the public has the ability to view or listen to such proceeding and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed.” All of the Committee members present attended remotely, aside from Mrs. Frasier and Mr. McDevitt who were physically present.

Mrs. Frasier called the meeting of the Health Services Committee to order at 10:27 a.m.

Motion was made by Ms. Hogan, seconded by Ms. Braymer and carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the previous Health Services Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Mr. Conover entered the meeting (remotely) at 10:29 a.m.

Copies of the Office of Community Services, Office for the Aging and Health Services meeting agendas were distributed to those in attendance; those participating virtually accessed the agendas via the Warren County website. Copies of the agendas are on file with the meeting minutes.

The Committee began with a review of the Office of Community Services agenda, which included the following requests:

1. To amend the 2022 County Budget in the amount of \$41,250 to allow pass through of 100% State Aid funding from New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports allocated to 820 River St., Inc. for

provision of jail-based addiction transition release services.

2. To authorize a new contract with 820 River St., Inc./Queensbury Baywood Center in the amount of \$41,250 (*to be paid in quarterly advance payments*) for jail-based addiction transition services over the term commencing January 1, 2022 and terminating December 31, 2022.

Motion was made by Mr. McDevitt, seconded by Mr. Conover and carried unanimously to approve the requests as outlined above. Item 1 was referred to the Finance Committee and the necessary resolution was authorized for Item 2 for the March 18th Board meeting. *Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the minutes.*

3. To amend the 2022 County Budget in the amount of \$200,000 to allow pass through of 100% State Aid funding from New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports designated for Addictions Care Center of Albany for provision of residential addiction treatment services.

Motion was made by Ms. Hogan, seconded by Mr. Conover and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Finance Committee *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

A review of the Discussion Items section of the agenda commenced with the following:

1. 2022 -23 NYS Executive Budget.
2. ADK Peer-to Peer RFP update.

There being no further Office of Community Services business to discuss, the Committee commenced with a review of the Office for the Aging agenda, which included the following requests:

- 1) To amend the contract with Catherine Keating-Stauch for dietician services to increase the hourly rate from \$40 to \$45 (*total amount not to exceed \$27,300*) for a term commencing May 1, 2022 and terminating April 30, 2023, allowing annual renewals so long as there are no changes in terms.

Motion was made by Mr. McDevitt, seconded by Ms. Hogan and carried unanimously to approve the request and the necessary resolution was authorized for the March 18th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 2) To delete the position of the Typist, *Grade 3, Base Annual Salary \$30,373*, and create the new position of Services Assistant - Office for the Aging #4, *Grade 7, Base Annual Salary \$36,414*.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Mr. Conover and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Personnel, Administration & Higher Education Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 3) To fill the vacant position of Services Assistant-Office for the Aging #4, *Grade 7, Base Annual Salary \$36,414*, due to creation.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover, seconded by Mr. McDevitt and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Personnel, Administration & Higher Education Committee. *A copy of the Notice of Intent to Fill Vacant Position form is on file with the minutes.*

- 4) To fill the vacant position of Meal Site Cook #7 - Long Lake, *Grade 2, Base Annual Salary \$18,584 (25hr/week)*, due to resignation.

Motion was made by Ms. Hogan, seconded by Mr. Beaty and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Personnel, Administration & Higher Education Committee for reporting purposes. *A copy of the Notice of Intent to Fill Vacant Position form is on file with the minutes.*

- 5) To authorize a new contract with RSVP, Tri County United Way in an amount not to exceed \$5,000 for the provision of medical transportation to residents of Warren County who are 60+ years of age under the Community Services for the Elderly program for a term commencing April 1, 2022 and terminating March 31, 2023, allowing annual renewals so long as there are no changes in terms.

Following a brief discussion, motion was made by Ms. Hogan, seconded by Mr. Conover and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the March 18th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Deanna Park, *Director, Office for the Aging*, noted she had an additional request that was not included on the agenda concerning the 5-year step increment increase she received (\$2,028) which she was requesting be divided and transferred to Ginelle Jones, *Director, Public Health/Patient Services*, and Pat Belden, *Assistant Director, Public Health Division*, for the remainder of the years they are employed by the County as compensation for the long hours they worked the past two years during the pandemic.

Ms. Hogan requested the discussion continue in executive session due to work performance.

Motion was made by Mr. Beaty and seconded by Ms. Hogan. Larry Elmen, *County Attorney*, stated he was unable to find a proper legal basis to enter into an executive session. Mr. Beaty withdrew his motion and Ms. Hogan withdrew her second. No motion was made by any Committee member in response to Ms. Park's request, nor was there any discussion.

Continuing to the Discussion Items portion of the agenda, Ms. Park informed authorization had been approved for her to attend the Association on Aging Leadership Institute on April 5 - 7, 2022.

In regards to the Referrals/Pending Items portion of the agenda, Ms. Park informed the item had been addressed at previous meetings. A brief discussion ensued in regards to meal delivery not taking place five days a week and it was determined the item would remain on the agenda, as the matter was not resolved.

There being no further Office for the Aging business to discuss, the Committee moved on to review the Health Services agenda which included the following requests:

- 1) To adopt the 2022 - 2026 Warren County Rabies Plan.

Motion was made by Mr. McDevitt, seconded by Ms. Hogan and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the March 18th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 2) To amend the 2022 County Budget in the amount of \$7,497 to reflect the total additional allocation for the ELC COVID Enhanced Detection Contract.

Motion was made by Mr. McDevitt, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried unanimously to approve the request and refer same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

A review of the Information for Discussion/Review portion of the agenda proceeded with an overview of the following documents included in the agenda packet:

Report of Expenditures, Revenues, Overtime and Per Diem Use for 2021;
Revenue and Expense Comparison Report for 2020 vs 2021;
Status of Referrals;
Emergency Response and Preparedness;
Rabies Program Report; and
Meeting/Conference Authorizations.

There being no further business to come before the Health Services Committee, on motion made by Mr. Conover, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried unanimously, Mrs. Frasier adjourned the meeting at 11:06 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Leslie Lovelace, Secretary to the Clerk of the Board