

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: HEALTH SERVICES

DATE: MAY 23, 2022

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

OTHERS PRESENT:

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

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the May 23, 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 were physically present aside from Ms. Hogan who attended remotely.

Mrs. Frasier called the meeting of the Health Services Committee to order at 10:55 a.m.

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

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 County Budget in the amount of \$195,655 to allow pass through of 100% State Aid funding from New York State for COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment) for certain mental hygiene services and programs.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover, seconded by Mr. Beaty 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.*

Discussion ensued in regard to the use of ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) funding for Northern River Family Services mobile crisis response which had been presented at the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee meeting prior to the Health Services meeting.

There being no further Office of Community Services business to discuss, the Committee moved on to review the Office for the Aging (OFA) agenda which included the following requests:

- 1) To fill the vacant position of Meal Site Manager #2 (Warrensburg), *Grade 2, Base Annual Salary \$22,301, 30hr/week*, due to resignation.

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

- 2) To amend Resolution Nos. 208 of 2019 and 121 of 2019 to remove Glens Falls Hospital Medical Alert and replace with Connect America.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover, seconded by Mr. McDevitt and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the June 15th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 3) To renew the contract with Purfoods, LLC dba Mom's Meals for an additional year, term commencing September 1, 2022 and terminating August 31, 2023.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover and seconded by Mr. McDevitt to approve the request. A brief discussion ensued with regard to the quality of the meals. Mrs. Frasier called the question and the motion was carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the June 15th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

A review of the Discussion Items portion of the agenda proceeded with an overview of the following documents included in the agenda packet:

- a. Authorization for Deanna Park and RoseAnn O'Rourke to attend the ACUU Conference in person June 7 - 8, 2022, in the amount of \$195/each, plus hotel stay.
- b. Authorization for Catherine Keating, Cathy Bearor, Hanna Hall and Cynthia Coulter to attend ACUU Conference virtually June 7 - 8, 2022, in the amount of \$145/each.
- c. 2021 Annual Report

A discussion ensued with regard to increasing the meal site workers salaries to reflect the competitive pay in the food industry; Committee was advised those positions' salaries were bound by the union contract and would be presented during the reallocation process. Further discussion was held regarding the Meals on Wheels program and the OFA Annual Report.

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

- 1) To extend the existing grant agreement with NYS Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) to reflect new term commencing September 30, 2022 and terminating October 30, 2023, as well to accept additional funding in the amount of \$536,258, increasing the total grant to an amount not to exceed \$3,750,000.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover and seconded by Ms. Braymer to approve the request. Discussion ensued in regard to the formula shortage, following which Mrs. Frasier called the question and the motion was carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the June 15th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 2) To authorize a new contract with New York State Department of Health Bureau of Communicable Disease Control for grant funding in an amount not to exceed \$51,759 (*17,523 funding each year*) to allow for continued funding to provide rabies related activities including outreach, vaccination clinics, and rabies post exposure prophylaxis, for a term commencing April 1, 2022 and terminating March 31, 2025.

Motion was made by Ms. Braymer, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the June 15th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 3) To authorize an agreement with New York State Department of Health/Health Research Institute to accept New York State Public Health Emergency Preparedness grant funding in the amount of \$52,099, not to exceed \$1,052,099 for full grant term of July 1, 2022 - June 20, 2023.

Motion was made by Mr. Beaty, seconded by Mr. McDevitt and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the June 15th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 4) To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$2,000 to reflect receipt of additional funding from Health Research Inc. to support supply expenses associated with the Bioterrorism grant.

Motion was made by Mr. Beaty, seconded by Ms. Braymer 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.*

- 5) To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$742,384 to reflect the additional allocation for the ELC Schools Grant contract.

Motion was made by Ms. Braymer, seconded by Mr. Geraci 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 Information for Discussion/Review portion of the agenda proceeded with an overview of the following documents included in the agenda packet:

- Report of Revenues and Expenditures for 2022;
- Revenue and Expense Comparison Report for 2021 vs 2022;
- 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. McDevitt and carried unanimously, Mrs. Frasier adjourned the meeting at 11:46 a.m.

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