

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: HEALTH SERVICES

DATE: JUNE 20, 2022

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS FRASIER
MCDEVITT
HOGAN
BEATY
GERACI (VIA ZOOM)

OTHERS PRESENT:

REPRESENTING THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES:
ROBERT YORK, DIRECTOR
LINDA WRIGHT, CHILDREN & YOUTH SPOA COORDINATOR
REPRESENTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH:
GINELLE JONES, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC HEALTH/PATIENT SERVICES (VIA ZOOM)
TAWN DRISCOLL, FISCAL MANAGER (VIA ZOOM)

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

SUPERVISORS BRAYMER
CONOVER

KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
RYAN MOORE, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
RYAN DICKEY, SECOND ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY
SARAH MCLENITHAN, DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER
SUPERVISORS BRUNO
DRISCOLL
LEGGETT
MAGOWAN
SEEBER (VIA ZOOM)
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 June 20, 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 Mr. Geraci who attended remotely.

Mrs. Frasier called the meeting of the Health Services Committee to order at 9:01 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. McDevitt, seconded by Mr. Beaty and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Braymer and Mr. Conover absent*) 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 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 a request to amend Resolution No. 533 of 2021 to change the amount to read “as needed, not to exceed \$59,396” and add three additional providers of as-needed youth mental health respite services.

Motion was made by Ms. Hogan, seconded by Mr. McDevitt and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Braymer and Mr. Conover absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the July 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 update on the regional expansion of Parsons/Northern Rivers Mobile Mental Health Crisis Services and the possibility of 24/7 operations along, with discussions that had taken place at the May 23, 2022 Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee meeting.

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

- 1) To authorize a new contract with Maggie Wood, Occupational Therapist, dba Maggie Wood to provide Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE) services to eligible children in Warren County at the New York State approved rate for a term commencing July 18, 2022 and renewing automatically on an annual basis unless terminated upon 30 days written notice by either party.

Motion was made by Ms. Hogan, seconded by Mr. McDevitt and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Braymer and Mr. Conover absent*) to approve the request and the necessary resolution was authorized for the July 15th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 2) To authorize a new contract with Maggie Wood, Occupational Therapist, to provide Certified Home Health Agency (CHHA) occupational therapy services to homecare patients at the established rates for a term commencing July 18, 2022 and renewing automatically on an annual basis unless terminated upon 30 days written notice by either party.

Motion was made by Mr. McDevitt, seconded by Mr. Beaty and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Braymer and Mr. Conover absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the July 15th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 3) To authorize a new contract with Gayle Pliscofsky, Occupational Therapist, dba Gayle Pliscofsky to provide Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE) services to eligible children in Warren County at the New York State approved rate for a term commencing July 18, 2022 and renewing automatically on an annual basis unless terminated upon 30 days written notice by either party.

Motion was made by Mr. McDevitt, seconded by Ms. Hogan and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Braymer and Mr. Conover absent*) 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 authorize the extension of current 2022 Notice of Intent to Fill Vacant Position forms and authorize filling the vacancies in Attachment #4 (*included in the meeting agenda*).

Mr. Beaty exited the meeting at 9:18 a.m.

Motion was made by Ms. Hogan and seconded by Mr. McDevitt to approve the request. Discussion ensued with regard to the need to increase nurse salaries to be competitive. Mrs. Frasier called the question and the motion was carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Braymer and Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Personnel, Administration & Higher Education Committee for reporting purposes. *Copies of the Notice of Intent to Fill Vacant Position forms are on file with the minutes.*

Mr. Beaty re-entered the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

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. McDevitt, seconded by Ms. Hogan and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Braymer and Mr. Conover absent*), Mrs. Frasier adjourned the meeting at 9:22 a.m.

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