

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: HEALTH SERVICES

DATE: JULY 18, 2022

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS FRASIER
MCDEVITT
HOGAN
BRAYMER
CONOVER
BEATY
GERACI

OTHERS PRESENT:

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
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
TAMMIE DELORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
RYAN DICKEY, SECOND ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER
SUPERVISORS DRISCOLL
LEGGETT
MAGOWAN
DON LEHMAN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
LESLIE LOVELACE, SECRETARY TO THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the July 18, 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..

Mrs. Frasier called the meeting of the Health Services Committee to order at 10:06 a.m.

Mr. Beaty exited the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Mr. Conover and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Hogan and Mr. Beaty 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 Office for the Aging (*OFA*) 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 for the Aging (*OFA*) agenda, which included the following requests:

- 1) To authorize the submission of 2022 - 2023 Annual Implementation Plan to the New York State Office for the Aging.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Hogan and Mr. Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the August 19th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Mr. Beaty re-entered the meeting at 10:07 a.m.

- 2) To authorize the submission of a grant application to NYSOFA (*New York State Office for the Aging*), for grant funding in an amount not to exceed \$203,636 for the term April 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023 intended to enable Warren/Hamilton Counties Office for the Aging to provide long term care assistance and support.

Motion was made by Mr. McDevitt, seconded by Mr. Conover and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Hogan absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the August 19th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

There being no further Office of the Aging (*OFA*) 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 Hudson Headwaters Health Network (*HHHN*) to provide healthcare provider services to cover public health referrals and clinics for a term commencing August 22, 2022 and renewing automatically on an annual basis, provided the annual rate increase does not exceed 5%, or that the agreement is not terminated upon 30 days written notice by either party.

Motion was made by Mr. McDevitt, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Hogan absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the August 19th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 2) To authorize a new contract with Marissa Defoe, Pharmacist, to provide Pharmacy consultation services at a rate of \$65/hour for a term commencing August 22, 2022 and renewing automatically on an annual basis, provided the annual rate increase does not exceed 5%, or that the agreement is not terminated upon 30 days written notice by either party.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Hogan absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the August 19th Board meeting. *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.

Ginelle Jones, *Director, Public Health/Patient Services*, informed an item not included on the agenda was the Opioid Emergency Kit Initiative which Warren County was participating in and she advised the program was being led by the American Health Institute.

Ms. Hogan entered the meeting at 10:20 a.m.

A discussion ensued with regard to the reduction of CHHA (*Certified Home Health Agency*) patients.

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 10:22 a.m.

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