

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: HEALTH SERVICES

DATE: AUGUST 22, 2022

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT:

SUPERVISOR BEATY

OTHERS PRESENT:

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

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the August 22, 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 and Ms. Braymer who attended the meeting virtually.

Mrs. Frasier called the meeting of the Health Services Committee to order at 9:33 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. McDevitt, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by majority vote of those present (*Ms. Braymer and Mr. Beaty absent*), with Ms. Hogan abstaining, 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 (*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 Discussion Items portion of the Office of Community Services agenda which included the following:

1. 2nd Quarter Expense Report - Court ordered Competency Restoration Expenses.
2. Informational - ARPA Behavioral Health applications received.

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 amend the contract with Countryside Adult Home to increase cost per meal reimbursement from \$4.50/meal to \$5.00/meal due to increasing cost of food and supplies, for a total amount not to exceed \$140,000, effective October 1, 2022.

Motion was made by Mr. McDevitt, seconded by Ms. Hogan and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Braymer and Mr. Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the September 16th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Ms. Braymer entered the meeting remotely at 9:38 a.m.

- 2) To fill the vacant position of Meal Site Cook #10 (Johnsburg), *Grade2, Base Annual Salary \$22,159 (25hrs/week)*, due to resignation.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Beaty absent*) 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 Position form is on file with the minutes.*

Deanna Park, *Director, Office for the Aging*, addressed two additional items not included on the agenda:

- Farmer's Market Nutrition Program Coupons available to New York State seniors 60 years or older and low income advising interested residents could be obtained from the Office for the Aging.
- Ms. Park apprised the Committee of her recent experience in obtaining a registration renewal through the Warren County DMV Office, indicating the transaction was processed quickly and efficiently using the online appointment scheduling system.

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 amend Resolution No. 479 of 2021 and the contract with Waystar aka Zirmed with Homecare and Public Health Immunization Program accounts to reflect a 7% rate increase for services including annual assessment fee, claims management fees, eligibility verification fees, and electronic remittance advice fees and renewing automatically on an annual basis unless renewal rate increase is over 10% or terminated upon 30 days written notice by either party.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover, seconded by Mr. McDevitt and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the September 16th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 2) To amend Resolution No. 510 of 2014 to increase rates for Certified Home Health Agency as outlined in the attached schedule effective January 1, 2023.

Motion was made by Mr. McDevitt, seconded by Mr. Conover and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the September 16th Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 3) To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$48,624.77 to reduce both revenue and expenses for Public Health - COVID - Vaccine Response Contract from the Immunization Action Plan Grant.

Motion was made by Mr. Conover, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr.*

Beaty absent) 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.*

- 4) To authorize an agreement between the Director of Health Services and Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (*RSVP*) of Warren and Washington Counties and Health Services WIC Program to provide authorization for volunteer services 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 (*Mr. Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the September 16th 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*, apprised she was in the process of working with both the Purchasing and I.T. Departments in an effort to create a RFP (*Request for Proposal*) for electronic medical record software.

There being no further business to come before the Health Services Committee, on motion made by Mr. Conover, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mr. Beaty absent*), Mrs. Frasier adjourned the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

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