

**WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**COMMITTEE: HEALTH SERVICES**

**DATE: NOVEMBER 21, 2022**

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: OTHERS PRESENT:**

SUPERVISORS MCDEVITT  
BRAYMER  
GERACI

DEANNA PARK, DIRECTOR, OFFICE FOR THE AGING  
REPRESENTING THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES:  
ROBERT YORK, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES  
LINDA WRIGHT, CHILDREN & YOUTH SPOA COORDINATOR

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

SUPERVISORS FRASIER  
HOGAN  
CONOVER  
BEATY

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, ACTING COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
SARAH MCLLENITHAN, DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD  
RYAN DICKEY, SECOND ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY  
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER  
SUPERVISORS DRISCOLL  
MAGOWAN  
MERLINO  
SEEBER  
TAMMIE DELORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
DON LEHMAN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS  
MICHAEL R. SWAN, COUNTY TREASURER  
MAJOR LEO LLOYD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SALVATION ARMY OFFICE  
LESLIE LOVELACE, SECRETARY TO THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

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*Please note, the following contains a summarization of the November 21, 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>*

In the absence of Committee Chair Frasier, Supervisor McDevitt, as Vice Chairman, called the meeting of the Health Services Committee to order at 10:14 a.m.; due to a lack of attendance, Chairman Geraghty served to make a quorum of the Committee.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Chairman Geraghty and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, Messrs. Conover and 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 for the Aging (*OFA*), Office of Community Services and Health Services meeting agendas were distributed to those in attendance; *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 for the Aging (*OFA*) agenda, which included the following item:

1. WC 48-22 Warren/Hamilton Counties Office for the Aging Senior Nutrition Meal Program Supplemental RFP. Major Leo Lloyd, *Executive Director, Salvation Army Office*, answered questions posed by the Committee. Discussion ensued following which motion was made by Mr. Geraci and seconded by Ms. Braymer to authorize a new agreement with Salvation Army for aging senior nutrition meal program supplement (pursuant to RFP); discussion ensued following which Mr. Geraci and Ms. Braymer amended their motions to include the caveat for placement within the County of the two full-time meal site employees. Mr. McDevitt called the question and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms.*

*Hogan, Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 16<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Deanna Park, *Director, Office for the Aging*, apprised Lake George clients who were receiving Mom's Meals would start receiving Warren County meal delivery service starting next Monday unless Mom's Meals were specifically requested.

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

1. To amend the Table of Organization and Salary Schedule to decrease the Base Salary of the Deputy Director-Clinical position from \$88,814 to \$77,446.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Chairman Geraghty and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*) 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.*

2. To authorize posting the position of Children and Youth Single Point of Access Coordinator Base Salary range from \$65,825 to \$71,415 commensurate with experience.

Motion was made by Ms. Braymer, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes. Note: this action does not require a resolution - This matter will return to Committee with a request for an amendment to the Table of Organization and Salary Schedule once a firm salary has been determined based on the candidate chosen for the position.*

3. To authorize the re-appointment of Cindy Wasson to the Warren County Community Services Board for a term commencing January 1, 2023 and terminating December 31, 2026.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Chairman Geraghty and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 16<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

4. To authorize support for NYSAC Standing Committee on Public Health/Mental Health Resolution No. 4, "Resolution Requesting Targeted State Investments in Programming and Policies to Develop and Fund Core Local Services to Decrease the Use of Emergency Departments (Eds) for the Treatment of Children and Youth with Complex Needs".

Motion was made by Ms. Braymer, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*) to refer this matter to the NYSAC/NACo Committee for consideration. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

5. To amend the 2023 County Budget in the amount of \$281,537 to allow for expenditure of Opioid Settlement funds to address the impacts of the opioid crisis in Warren County.
6. To authorize a new contract with 820 River St., Inc./Baywood Center to utilize Opioid Settlement funds to expand mobile, community-based Substance Use Disorder treatment services in Warren County in quarterly advance payments for a term commencing January 1, 2023 and terminating December 31, 2023.

7. To authorize a new contract with Council for Prevention to utilize Opioid Settlement funds to expand peer recovery support services in Warren County in quarterly advance payments for a term commencing January 1, 2023 and terminating December 31, 2023.
8. To authorize a new contract with The Addictions Care Center of Albany, Inc. to utilize Opioid Settlement funds to expand family education and support services in Warren County for families impacted by the opioid crisis in quarterly advance payments for a term commencing January 1, 2023 and terminating December 31, 2023.

Motion was made by Chairman Geraghty and seconded by Mr. Geraci to approve the requests as presented; following discussion, Mr. McDevitt called the question and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*) to approve the requests as outlined above and the necessary resolutions were authorized for the December 16<sup>th</sup> Board meeting for Items 6 - 8; Item 5 was referred to the Finance Committee. *Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the minutes.*

9. To authorize contracts to provide community mental health, addiction/recovery and developmental disability services pursuant to provisions of NYS Mental Health Hygiene Law, Article 41, in an amount not to exceed those provided in Schedule A (*included in the meeting agenda*) for a term commencing January 1, 2023 and terminating December 31, 2023.

Motion was made by Chairman Geraghty and seconded by Mr. Geraci to approve the request as presented; following discussion, Mr. McDevitt called the question and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 16<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

10. To authorize contracts to provide specialized mental health crisis and planned respite services for youth in an amount not to exceed those provided in Schedule B (*included in the meeting agenda*) for a term commencing January 1, 2023 and terminating December 31, 2023.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraci and seconded by Ms. Braymer to approve the request as presented; following discussion, Mr. McDevitt called the question and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 16<sup>th</sup> 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 a review of the following items:

1. Youth Behavioral Health Services issues - Linda Wright, *Children & Youth SPOA Coordinator*, answered questions posed by the Committee.
2. Warren County Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) training initiative - Robert York, *Director, Office of Community Services*, notified he would report on the development of training in January.

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 amend the contract with Greater Adirondack Home Aides, Inc (GAHA) (*authorized by Resolution Nos. 639 of 2013 and 298 of 2015*) to increase the rate from \$25.54/hr to \$28.00/hr for a term commencing January 1, 2023 and renewing automatically on an annual basis unless renewal rate increase is over 5% or terminated upon 30 days written notice by either party.

Motion was made by Chairman Geraghty, seconded by Mr. Geraci and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above

and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 16<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 2) To amend the contract with Ability (*authorized by Resolution No. 432 of 2013*) to increase the rate from \$426.87/mo to \$463.15/mo and renewing automatically on an annual basis unless renewal rate increase is over 5% or terminated upon 30 days written notice by either party.

Motion was made by Chairman Geraghty, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 16<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 3) To amend Resolution No. 230 of 2022 to include NYS licensed and/or certified professionals approved by the NYS Commissioner of Education.

Motion was made by Ms. Braymer, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 16<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 4) To authorize the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to enter into or amend prior contracts with a contractor to be determined for electronic medical provider for Electronic Visit Validation (EVV) services, required by NYS.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Chairman Geraghty and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 16<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

- 5) To fill the vacant position of Public Health Nurse #10, *Grade 22, Base Annual Salary \$62,310*, due to resignation.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Chairman Geraghty and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, 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. *A copy of the Notice of Intent to Fill Vacant Position form is on file with the minutes.*

- 6) To authorize the extension of current 2022 Notice of Intent to Fill Vacant Position forms and authorize filling the vacancies in Attachment #6 (*included in the meeting agenda*).

Motion was made by Ms. Braymer, seconded by Chairman Geraghty and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, 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.*

- 7) To fill the newly created positions in the 2023 Budget in Attachment #7 (*included in the meeting agenda*).

Motion was made by Chairman Geraghty, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, 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.*

- 8) To authorize a transfer of funds among various budget codes totaling \$8,895.48 to cover salary changes and to cover the Service Coordinators time towards the CSHCN grant.
- 9) To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$56,404.25 to allow for expenditure of the Healthcare Worker Bonus Program funds for staff and contractors who qualify.
- 10) To amend the County Budget in the amount of \$159,000 to allow for expenditure of DSRIP funds for the purchase of a new Homecare Homebase/Nursing/Billing/Receivable system for the Homecare Division.

Motion was made by Chairman Geraghty, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*) to approve the requests as outlined above and refer same to the Finance Committee. *Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the minutes.*

- 11) To amend Resolution No. 231 of 2022 to expand and include interested NYS registered preschools and daycare facilities within Warren County (*including agencies serving birth to 12<sup>th</sup> grade population*) for a term commencing December 19, 2022 and renewing automatically on an annual basis unless renewal rate increase is over 5% or terminated upon 30 days written notice by either party.

Motion was made by Chairman Geraghty and seconded by Mr. Geraci to approve the request as presented; following discussion, Mr. McDevitt called the question and the motion carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 16<sup>th</sup> 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 the following:

- a. Community Health Assessment 2022 - 2024 - a copy of which is on file with the minutes.
- b. NYS ELC Grant Funding (\$1,730,012) Resolution 267 of 2022 - 10% increase (\$173,001.20) is anticipated - Item was not discussed.

There being no further business to come before the Health Services Committee, on motion made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Chairman Geraghty and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Ms. Hogan, Messrs. Conover and Beaty absent*), Mr. McDevitt adjourned the meeting at 11:26 a.m.

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