

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: HEALTH SERVICES

DATE: JANUARY 23, 2023

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS CONOVER
BRUNO
RUNYON
GERACI

OTHERS PRESENT:

ROB 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

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

SUPERVISORS FRASIER
MCDEVITT
STROUGH

KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
JOHN TAFLAN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
RYAN DICKEY, SECOND ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY
SARAH MCLENITHAN, DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD
SUPERVISORS DRISCOLL
MAGOWAN
WILD
TAMMIE DELORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
DON LEHMAN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
MOLLY GANOTES-GLEASON, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the January 23, 2023 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 Conover, as Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough 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; Office for the Aging (*OFA*); and Health Services meeting agendas were distributed to those in attendance; *copies of the agendas are on file with the meeting minutes.*

The Committee commenced with a review of the Action Agenda/New Business Items portion of the Office of Community Services agenda which included the following requests:

1. To appoint Gregory Canale to the Warren County Community Services Board effective January 1, 2023 and terminating December 31, 2026.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the February 17th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request is on file with the minutes.*

2. To Amend Resolution No. 713 of 2022 to include contract authorization for 820 River St./Baywood Center in the amount of \$68,090 which was 100% funded through the State Aid-NYS OASAS grant.

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the February 17th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request is on file with the minutes.*

3. To amend the 2023 County Budget in the amount of \$281,537 to accept opioid settlement funds to address the impacts of the opioid crisis in Warren County.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough 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.*

There being no further Office of Community Services business to discuss review of the Office for the Aging agenda commenced with the following requests;

1. To amend the EISEP (*Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program*) contract with Greater Adirondack Home Aids to increase the hourly wage from \$26/hr to \$28/hr due to minimum wage increases for licensed Home Care Agencies, in the amount not to exceed \$225,000, effective April 1, 2023, and extend date of extension April 1, 2022 and terminate March 31, 2023. (*Previous Resolution 536 of 2021*)

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Bruno and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the February 17th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

2. To amend Title III E contract with Greater Adirondack Home Aids to increase the hourly wage from \$26/hr to \$28/hr due to minimum wage increases for licensed Home Care Agencies, in the amount not to exceed \$35,000, to commence January 1, 2023 and terminate December 1, 2023. (*Previous Resolution 625 of 2022*)

Motion was made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the February 17th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

3. To amend the contract with Purfoods, LLC dba Mom's Meals to increase the price per meal from \$7.49/meal to \$8.99/meal, effective February 1, 2023 due to increasing costs. (*Previous Resolution 288 of 2022*)

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Bruno and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the February 17th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

4. To authorize submission to NYSOFA (*New York State Office for the Aging*) for the MIPPA (*Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act*) grant in an amount not to exceed \$26,321 for a term commencing September 1, 2022 and terminating August 31, 2023.

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the February 17th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

5. To fill the vacant position of Meal Site Manager #2 (Warrensburg), *Grade 2, Base Salary \$27,256 (30hr/week)*, due to resignation.

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Bruno and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough 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.*

The Discussion Items portion of the agenda was reviewed with an update being provided on the following:

1. Attending the Association on Aging Leadership Institute Conferance that would be held on April 10, 2023.

There being no further Office for the Aging (*OFA*) business to discuss review the Health Services agenda commenced with the following requests:

1. To appoint/reappoint members to the Warren County Professional Advisory Committee for a term commencing January 1, 2023 and terminating December 31, 2023.

2. To appoint/reappoint members to the LEICC (*Local Early Intervention Coordinating Council Committee*) for a term commencing January 1, 2023 and terminating December 31, 2023.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough absent*) to approve the requests as outlined above and the necessary resolutions were authorized for the February 17th Board Meeting. *Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the minutes.*

3. For authorization to extend 1 year lease agreement with HHHN (*Hudson Headwaters Health Network*) (Warrensburg Health Center) to provide space for Public Health's WIC (*Woman, Infant and Child*) Clinics, in the amount of \$1.00. (*Previous Resolution No. 64 of 2022*)

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the February 17th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

4. To amend the existing contract with Hudson Headwater Health Network to increase the rate for chest x-ray (2 views) from \$40 to \$48 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. (*Previous Resolution No. 726 of 2004*)

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the February 17th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

5. To amend the contract with Certified Hone Health Agency therapists to reflect an increase in the rates, 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. (*Previous Resolution No. 65 of 2022*)

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Bruno and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the February 17th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

6. To authorize a month to month agreement with AlayaCare (AKA Crescendo) in the amount of \$8,922 per month (\$8,800/month for Crescendo and \$122/month for Medi-Span) for electronic medical record services, to commence April 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.
7. To authorize a new agreement with AlayaCare (AKA Crescendo), to access clinical and financial data from our electronic medical record for a one time fee of \$15,000.
8. To authorize a new agreement with Homecare Homebase, LLC for the electronic visit validation, to commence January 1, 2023.

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough absent*) to approve the requests as outlined above and the necessary resolutions were authorized for the February 17th Board Meeting. *Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the minutes.*

9. To amend the Warren County Budget for 2023 in the amount of \$36,248 to reflect both the revenue and expenses related to Department code (A.4018.0036) for COVID 19 Vaccine Response grant.

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Bruno and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Finance Committee. *A copy of the resolution request is on file with the minutes.*

10. To amend the Warren County Budget for 2023 in the amount of \$36,281.25 to reflect receipt of additional funding from New York State Department of Health Healthcare Worker Bonus Program.

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Bruno and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough 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.*

11. For a transfer of funds in the amount of \$42,354 amongst various Budget Codes.

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough 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.*

12. To amend Health Services Homecare Therapist contacts as needed to allow therapists choosing to contract directly with Warren County's CPSE (*Committee on Preschool Special Education*) as an independent provider to continue to contract with Homecare CHHA (*Certified Home Health Agency*) to see patients at the established rates. (*Previous Resolution No. 716 of 2022*)

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Geraci and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the February 17th 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 2023;
- Revenue and Expense Comparison Report for 2022 vs 2023;
- Status of Referrals;
- Emergency Response and Preparedness; and
- Rabies Program Report.

There being no further business to come before the Health Services Committee, on motion made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier, Messrs. McDevitt and Strough absent*), Mr. Conover adjourned the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist