

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: HEALTH SERVICES

DATE: MAY 23, 2023

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS FRASIER
MCDEVITT
BRUNO
RUNYON
GERACI
SMITH
STEC

OTHERS PRESENT:

ROB YORK, DIRECTOR OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES/MENTAL HEALTH
DEANNA PARK, DIRECTOR, OFFICE FOR THE AGING
REPRESENTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH:
GINELLE JONES, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC HEALTH/PATIENT SERVICES
TAWN DRISCOLL, FISCAL MANAGER
JOHN TAFLAN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER
SUPERVISORS DIAMOND
LEGETT
MAGOWAN
MERLINO
STROUGH
WILD
TAMMIE DeLORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
DON LEHMAN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
MIKE SWAN, COUNTY TREASURER
GINA MINTZER, LAKE GEORGE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND CVB, EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR
DON RITTNER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, WARREN COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY
MOLLY GANOTES-GLEASON, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the May 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>

Mrs. Frasier called the meeting of the Health Services Committee to order at 10:20 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried unanimously 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/Mental Health; 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 meeting commenced with review of the Office of Community Services/Mental Health agenda with the following requests:

1. To amend the 2023 Warren County Budget in the amount of \$104,124 to accept 100% State aid funding from New York State Office of Mental Health.

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Finance Committee.

2. For a transfer of funds in the amount of \$13,950 from Budget Code A.4310 110, *Salaries - Regular*, to Budget Code A.4310 861, *Retirees Hospitalization*, to cover the cost of the increase in retirees hospitalization.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried unanimously to approve the request as outlined above and refer same to the Finance Committee.

The Discussion Items portion of the agenda review commenced with the following:

1. May was Mental Health Awareness Month. Appreciation for the Board Proclamation acknowledging Mental Health Awareness Month was expressed.

There being no further Office of Community Services/Mental Health business to discuss, Committee moved on to review the OFA agenda which included one Discussion Item pertaining to the OFA Annual Report included in the agenda packet; an overview of the Annual Report was provided.

There being no further OFA business to discuss, Committee reviewed the Health Services agenda which included a request to authorize a contract with NYSDOH (*New York State Department of Health*) to accept Public Health Preparedness grant funding in the amount of \$52,099 for the grant period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 and authorizing the Chair of the Board to approve future amendments, additional funding and extensions, as required.

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Smith and carried unanimously to approve the request and the necessary resolution was authorized for the June 14th Board Meeting.

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;
- Rabies Program Report; and
- Health Services staff to attend the Statewide Harm Reduction Symposium to be held July 14-15, 2023, in Syracuse, New York.

Privilege of the Floor and Public Comments were called for:

Ginelle Jones, *Director, Public Health/Patient Services*, thanked Committee Chair Frasier, the Committee and the community for the work they did the last three years dealing with COVID-19. Mr. Magowan also thanked Ms. Jones and her Department.

There being no further business to come before the Health Services Committee, on motion made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Ms. Stec and carried unanimously, Mrs. Frasier adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist