

**WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**COMMITTEE: HUMAN SERVICES**

**DATE: JUNE 20, 2023**

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

SUPERVISORS DRISCOLL  
FRASIER  
BRUNO  
MCDEVITT  
RUNYON  
GERACI  
SMITH

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

REPRESENTING THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES:  
CHRISTIAN HANCHETT, COMMISSIONER  
JULIE MONTERO, FISCAL MANAGER  
AMY McBYRNE, DIRECTOR, COUNTRYSIDE ADULT HOME  
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD  
JOHN TAFLAN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD  
RYAN DICKEY, SECOND ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY  
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER  
SUPERVISORS MERLINO  
STROUGH  
DON LEHMAN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS  
MICHAEL SWAN, COUNTY TREASURER  
DAVID STRAINER, WARREN COUNTY RESIDENT

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*Please note, the following contains a summarization of the June 20, 2023 meeting of the Human Services Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed using the following links:*

*Warren County website - <https://warrencountyny.gov/mma>*

*Warren County's YouTube Channel - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1PZ9X\\_QAJOs](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1PZ9X_QAJOs)*

Mr. Driscoll called the meeting of the Human Services Committee to order at 10:43 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Bruno and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the previous Human Services Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Privilege of the floor and public comments were called for, but there was no one wishing to speak.

Copies of the and Department of Social Services (DSS) and Countryside Adult Home agendas were distributed to those in attendance. Copies of the agendas are on file with the minutes.

The meeting commenced with review of the DSS agenda which included a request to appropriate funds in the amount of \$50,000 from Budget Code A.909.00, *General Fund Unappropriated Surplus*, to Budget Code A.6050 469, *Social Services, Public Facil. for Children, Other Payments/Contributions*, to cover the cost of an increase in the daily rate, as well as the number of individuals/care days that are occurring at State detention homes that will be charged to the Department of Social Services.

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mrs. Frasier and carried unanimously 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.*

The Discussion Items portion of the agenda, which included the following items, was reviewed:

1. Commissioner's Report of Activities and Updates was provided by email prior to the meeting.
2. The Revenue, Expenditures and Overtime Reports were reviewed.

There being no further DSS business to discuss, review of the Countryside Adult Home agenda commenced with a request for a transfer of funds in the amount of \$50,000 from Budget Code A.6030 130, *Countryside Adult Home, Salaries-Part Time*, to Budget Code A.6030 120, *Countryside Adult Home, Salaries-Overtime*, to cover projected overtime costs through the close of 2023.

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Motion was made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Mr. McDevitt and carried unanimously 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.*

Next, a request not included on the agenda was presented, seeking authority to submit an application to the New York State Department of Health for Enhancing the Quality of Adult Life (*EQUAL*) grant funds in an amount and for a term to be determined, and authorizing a grant agreement for same.

Motion was made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Mrs. Frasier and carried unanimously to approve the request as presented and the necessary resolution was authorized for the July 21<sup>st</sup> Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

The Discussion Items section of the agenda was reviewed with the following items being addressed:

1. Census
2. Over-time Reports

As there was no further business to come before the Human Services Committee, on motion made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Mrs. Frasier and carried by a unanimous vote of those present, Mr. Driscoll adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist