

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: HUMAN SERVICES

DATE: NOVEMBER 20, 2023

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS DRISCOLL
MCDEVITT
RUNYON
GERACI

OTHERS PRESENT:

REPRESENTING THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES:

CHRISTINA MASTRIANNI, COMMISSIONER

JULIE MONTERO, FISCAL MANAGER

AMY MCBYRNE, DIRECTOR, COUNTRYSIDE ADULT HOME

KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

JOHN TAFLAN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

SUPERVISORS FRASIER
BRUNO
SMITH

AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD

RYAN DICKEY, SECOND ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY

FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER

SUPERVISORS MAGOWAN

MERLINO

STROUGH

WILD

TAMMIE DELORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

REPRESENTING WARREN COUNTY COALITION:

VINCENT CROCITTO JR.

VINCENT CROCITTO III

MOLLY GANOTES-GLEASON, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the November 20, 2023 meeting of the Human Services Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following links:

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

Warren County's YouTube Channel - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s1ezEXmjQDY>

Mr. Driscoll called the meeting of the Human Services Committee to order at 10:40 a.m.

Copies of the Department of Social Services (DSS) and Countryside Adult Home agendas were distributed; copies of the agendas are on file with the minutes.

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

Countryside Adult Home agenda review commenced with the following requests:

1. To pay ESAAL annual membership dues in January 2024. (Previous Resolution No. 719 of 2022)

Motion was made by Mr. McDevitt, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier and Messrs. Bruno and Smith absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 15th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

2. To increase to the adult day care rate from \$45/day to \$60/day. (Previous Resolution No. 161 of 2011)

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. McDevitt and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier and Messrs. Bruno and Smith absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 15th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

3. To renew the service agreement with Hudson Headwaters Health Network for employee and new hire physicals, vaccinations and ppd (*Purified Protein Derivative*) placements, in the amount of each physical \$145.00, ppd \$17.00, Hepatitis B vaccinations \$180.00, Tdap vaccine \$49.00 and Influenza vaccine \$25.00, to commence January 1, 2024 and terminate December 31, 2025

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. McDevitt and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier and Messrs Bruno and Smith absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 15th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

4. For a transfer of funds in the amount of \$7,000 amongst various Budget Codes to cover cost expenses through the end of the year.

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

5. To amend the 2023 County Budget in the amount of \$10,706.50 to accept receipt of grant funds from New York State Department of Health.

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

Ms. McByrne reviewed the Information for Discussion portion of the agenda which included an overview of the Census and Overtime reports which were included in the agenda packet.

Review of the DSS agenda commenced with the following requests:

1. For a transfer of funds in the amount of \$20,000, amongst various Budget Codes to cover overtime cost and part-time salaries through the end of the year.

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

2. For a transfer of funds in the amount of \$1,996, amongst various Budget Codes to cover employee benefits costs for two part-time Community Services Worker positions until the donated funding is depleted.

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

3. To continue the MOU (*Memorandum of Understanding*) with the Department of Workforce Development, to authorize referrals for DSS recipient to attend Pathways to Successful Employment Job Search Assistance & Orientation Class, in the amount of \$15,000, to commence January 1, 2024 and terminate December 31, 2024. (Previous Resolution No. 720 of 2022)

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. McDevitt and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Mrs. Frasier and Messrs. Bruno and Smith absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the December 15th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

An additional request not included on the agenda was presented, seeking to amend the 2023 County Budget in the amount of \$62,556 to accept receipt of grant funds from New York State Office of Temporary & Disability

Assistance to aid Code Blue at 100% reimbursement. *(Please note this Item was an addition and not included in the agenda.)*

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

The Discussion Item portion of the agenda included the following items:

1. Commissioner's report of activities and updates was provided by email.
2. The Revenue, Expenditures and Overtime Reports was reviewed.
3. Amy McByrne, Director of Countryside Adult Home. Presented at the beginning of the meeting.

An update on the Care Portal was provided as follows: Case Workers were partnered with individuals to identify what a family needs that a participating church could provide, which built a sense of community.

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

As there was no further business to come before the Human Services Committee, on motion made by Mr. Geraci, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present *(Mrs. Frasier and Messrs. Bruno and Smith absent)*, Mr. Driscoll adjourned the meeting at 10:56 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist