

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: HEALTH SERVICES

DATE: AUGUST 20, 2024

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| COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: | OTHERS PRESENT: |
| SUPERVISORS STRAINER | ROB YORK, DIRECTOR OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES |
| RUNYON | REPRESENTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH: |
| BRUNO | GINELLE JONES, DIRECTOR, PUBLIC HEALTH/PATIENT SERVICES |
| PATCHETT | TAWN DRISCOLL, FISCAL MANAGER |
| WILD | KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD |
| THOMAS | JOHN TAFLAN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR |
| | AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD |
| COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT: | RYAN DICKEY, SECOND ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY |
| SUPERVISOR GILLIGAN | SUPERVISORS DRISCOLL |
| | MERLINO |
| | TURNER |
| | TAMMIE DeLORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR |
| | CHRISTINE NORTON, COUNTY TREASURER |
| | MOLLY GANOTES-GLEASON, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST |

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the August 20, 2024 meeting of the Health 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=rOVRKGT0Rc>

Mr. Strainer called the meeting of the Health Services Committee to order at 9:30 a.m.

Copies of the Office of Community Services and Health Services meeting agendas were distributed to those in attendance; copies of the agenda are on file with the meeting minutes.

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Wild and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Runyon and Ms. Gilligan absent*) to approve the minutes from the previous Health 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.

The meeting commenced with review of the Action Agenda/New Business section of the Office of Community Services agenda which included the following requests:

1. To amend the 2024 Warren County Budget in the amount of \$192,732 to allow pass-through of 100% State Aid funding from the New York State Office of Mental Health for Cost of Living Adjustments (*COLA*) for contracted provider agencies.

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Wild and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Runyon and Ms. Gilligan absent*) to approve the request as presented and refer the same to the Finance & Budget Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

2. To appropriate funds in the amount of \$500,000 from Budget Code A.909.00, *Unexpended Fund Balance*, to Budget Code A.4390 435, *Psychiatric Expenses/Criminal*, to cover the cost of court ordered CPL 730 Competency examination and restoration expenses through the remainder of the year.

A brief conversation ensued, during which the County Administrator advised this was a State mandated program and a State-wide issue that had been on the NYSAC (*New York State Association of Counties*) agenda for the past two years and

they continued to push the matter, adding there would be upcoming conversations with State legislators to discuss re-implementing the State reimbursement of 50% of the cost of the program to the counties.

Motion was made by Mr. Patchett, seconded by Mr. Bruno and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Runyon and Ms. Gilligan absent*) to approve the request as presented and refer the same to the Finance & Budget 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 Health Services agenda commenced with the following requests:

1. For a new agreement with NYSDOH/Health Research Incorporated (HRI) to receive Emergency Preparedness Grant funding in the amount of \$52,099 for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute documentation relating to any additional funding, future amendments, extensions and/or renewals in a form approved by the County Attorney.

Motion was made by Mr. Wild, seconded by Mr. Thomas and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Runyon and Ms. Gilligan absent*) to approve the request as presented and the necessary resolution was authorized for the September 20th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

2. To accept JUUL settlement funding in the amount of \$381,885.14 and authorizing the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to execute any necessary documentation relating to same.
3. To amend the 2024 Warren County Budget in the amount of \$95,471.28, to reflect receipt of the quarter of the JUUL settlement funding amount.

Motion was made by Mr. Wild, seconded by Mr. Bruno and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Runyon and Ms. Gilligan absent*) to approve Items 2 and 3; and the necessary resolution for Item 2 was authorized for the September 20th Board Meeting and Item 3 was referred to the Finance & Budget Committee. *Copies of the resolution request forms are on file with the minutes.*

4. To amend the 2024 Warren County Budget in the amount of \$3,229.50 to reflect receipt of funding from NYS Department of Health to support Healthcare Worker Bonus Program funding.

Motion was made by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Bruno and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Runyon and Ms. Gilligan absent*) to approve the request as presented and refer the same to the Finance & Budget Committee. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

5. For a transfer of funds totaling \$9,289.00, amongst various budget codes, to cover the cost of benefits and fringe for the Service Coordinator position related to the CSHCN grant from September 2024 to December 2024.

Motion was made by Mr. Wild, seconded by Mr. Patchett and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Runyon and Ms. Gilligan absent*) to approve the request as presented and refer the same to the Finance & Budget Committee. *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 an overview of the following documents included in the agenda packet:

- Report of Revenues and Expenditures for 2024;
- Revenue and Expense Comparison Report for 2023 vs 2024;

Ms. Runyon entered the meeting during the Discussion Items at 9:46 a.m.

- Status of Referrals;
- Emergency Response and Preparedness; and
- Rabies Program Report.

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

There being no further business to come before the Health Services Committee, on motion made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Patchett and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Ms. Gilligan absent*), Mr. Strainer adjourned the meeting at 9:54 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist