

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING  
VETERANS' SERVICES  
July 23, 2024

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: DRISCOLL, Bruno, Patchett, Turner, Wild, Strainer, and Runyon - Chair of the Board shall serve as an Ex-Officio member when needed in accordance with Section C (4) of the Rules of the Board.

- I. Committee meeting called to order by Chair
- II. Approval of minutes of prior Committee Meeting
- III. Privilege of the floor
- IV. Action Agenda/New Business Items:
  1. Request: Request to Amend Budget
  2. Rationale: Allow funds from OFA to Veterans' Services under Res 208 of 2019
  3. Request:  
Rationale:
  4. Request:  
Rationale:
- V. Discussion Items:
- VI. Referrals/Pending Items: None
- VII. Privilege of the floor and public comment
- VIII. Motion to adjourn

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Attachments:

- Resolution Request Form No. 7
- Department Updates
  - Outreach/Transportation (1-pg)
  - Claims (1-pg)
  - OFA/Veterans' Services Senior/Veteran Local Transportation Program Updates (1-pg)

# **RESOLUTION REQUEST FORM NO. 7**

## ***Request to Amend County Budget\****

***\*If this is the result of a grant award, also complete and submit Form No. 5 or 6***

**DEPARTMENT NAME: Veterans' Services**

**DATE: 7/10/2024**

- (a) Purpose of Amendment: **To increase our budget and accommodate incoming funds allowed under Res 208 of 2019 from OFA**
- (b) Appropriation Code, Object Code, Full Title and Amount: **A.6510 442 - Automotive Supplies & Repair - \$30,000**
- (c) Revenue Code (with title), and Amount: **A. 6510 2390 - Gov't Share of Joint Activity - \$30,000 (represents full amount paid out at \$7,500/quarter)**

# Veterans' Services Department Updates July 2024

## Outreach:

In May we started monthly outreach at the VA Primary Clinic. We continue with monthly American Legion/VFW meetings/gatherings. And are looking into other resource locations to conduct outreach at least bi-monthly.

We also attend a monthly Patient Advisory Council with the VA Primary Doctors/Admin/Staff to discuss how we can assist or streamline VA Medical Services for our Veterans. And Quarterly VHA/VSO Conferences at Stratton VAMC in Albany.

## Albany VAMC Transportation:

- **3-year passenger count:**
  - **2022** – 292 Passengers
  - **2023** – 251 Passengers
  - **2024** – 146 Passengers

## Office Traffic:

### January

- Returned Calls: 70
- Appts/Walk-ins: 26

### February

- Returned Calls: 60
- Appts/Walk-ins: 38

### March

- Returned Calls: 76
- Appts/Walk-ins: 34

### April

- Returned Calls: 95
- Appts/Walk-ins: 30

### May

- Returned Calls: 73
- Appts/Walk-ins: 31

### June

- Returned Calls: 131
- Appts/Walk-ins: 23

## Committee Meeting July 2024 Claim Updates

YEAR	#CLAIMS	STARTING AMT	NEW AMT	DIFFERENCE	RETRO
<b>2019 Current (static)</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>36,978.93</b>	<b>97,715.70</b>	<b>60,736.77</b>	<b>797,080.04</b>
Last reported MAR 2024	148	36,978.93	97,571.56	60,592.63	797,080.04
<b>2020 Current (static)</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>30,691.02</b>	<b>85,375.62</b>	<b>54,684.60</b>	<b>692,319.58</b>
Last reported MAR 2024	99	30,662.08	82,334.39	51,672.31	616,160.71
<b>2021 Current (static)</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>78,353.72</b>	<b>151,446.02</b>	<b>73,092.30</b>	<b>687,936.61</b>
Last reported MAR 2024	100	74,835.88	146,262.86	71,426.98	687,936.61
<b>2022 Current</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>104,389.05</b>	<b>200,162.44</b>	<b>95,773.39</b>	<b>935,190.66</b>
Last reported MAR 2024	147	94,903.79	180,261.26	85,357.47	724,704.66
<b>2023 Current</b>	<b>209</b>	<b>145,443.44</b>	<b>219,853.52</b>	<b>74,410.08</b>	<b>655,042.69</b>
Last reported MAR 2024	207	106,533.53	169,385.71	62,852.18	510,016.87
<b>2024 Current</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>30,627.72</b>	<b>39,047.95</b>	<b>8,420.23</b>	<b>78,843.26</b>
Last reported MAR 2024	35	342.46	1,955.21	1,612.75	7,487.20

\*Any/all numbers listed above in "bold" represent the increased awarded claims since last reported

OFA/Veterans' Services  
 Senior/Veteran Local Transportation Program  
**March 9 – June 30, 2024**

Location	# of trips	Number of Passengers	Destinations
Bolton/Hague	2	8	Family Footwear, Mall, Jersey Mike's Walmart, Aldi's, Hobby Lobby, Dollar Tree, Stewart's, Pharmacy, JoAnn Fabrics, Price Chopper, Hannaford, Mr. B's, Ambrosia Dinner, GF Nat'l Bank, Home Depot, Riley's, Key Bank, Smart Style Salon, Bottle Redemption, Price Chopper, Walgreens, Northern Laundry, Harbor Freight, Allstate
Warrensburg/Johnsburg	6	25	
Chestertown, Brant Lake, Horicon	5	7	
Thurman, Stony Creek	8	12	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>52</b>	

**Other Data:**

**Last Report totals were:**

**# of trips=9**

**# of passengers=36**

# of passengers who are designated as Veterans/spouse: **0** (last report was 6)

Overall total mileage driven: **2560** (last report was 1042)

Total work hours: **164.75** (last report was 59.23)

**Transportation Schedule:**

Bolton/Hague – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday

Chestertown/Brant Lake/Horicon – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

Warrensburg/Johnsburg – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

Thurman/Stony Creek – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday

Lake George – Call Town Hall

Lake Luzerne – Call Senior Center