

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: HUMAN SERVICES

DATE: SEPTEMBER 23, 2025

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS BRUNO
PATCHETT
TURNER
STRAINER
RUNYON

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

SUPERVISORS DRISCOLL
WILD

OTHERS PRESENT:

DENISE DiRESTA, DIRECTOR, VETERANS' SERVICES
AMY McBYRNE, DIRECTOR, COUNTRYSIDE ADULT HOME
REPRESENTING THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES:
CHRISTINA MASTRIANNI, COMMISSIONER
JILL MAMMONE, FISCAL MANAGER
REPRESENTING WARREN COUNTY YOUTH BUREAU:
SUE MOWERY, DIRECTOR
SHAUN ETU, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
JOHN TAFLAN, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
LARRY ELMEN, COUNTY ATTORNEY
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER
SUPERVISORS CROCITTO
DIAMOND
ETU
GILLIGAN
MERLINO
STROUGH
TAMMIE DeLORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
MONICA STARK, DEPUTY COUNTY TREASURER
LUKE MOSSEAU, *POST STAR*
SARAH McLENITHAN, DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the September 23, 2025 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=6CDEovH2oUs>

In the absence of Committee Chair Driscoll, Mr. Bruno, as Vice-Chair, called the meeting of the Human Services Committee to order at 11:45 a.m.

Copies of the Veterans' Services; Department of Social Services (*DSS*); Countryside Adult Home; and Warren County Youth Bureau agendas were distributed; copies of the agendas are on file with the minutes.

Motion was made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Strainer and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Driscoll, Patchett and Wild absent*) to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Mr. Bruno called for privilege of the floor, but there was no one wishing to speak.

Committee commenced with a review of the Discussion Items portion of the Veterans' Services agenda which consisted the following:

1. 2026 Budget Review, Accomplishments/Goals, Dept. Updates to include Resource Room - documentation provided as an agenda attachment.

Mr. Patchett entered the meeting at 11:52 a.m. during the review of the 2026 Budget Request, Accomplishments/Goals and Dept. Updates.

There being no further Veterans' Services business to discuss, review of the Warren County Youth Bureau agenda commenced with the Action Agenda/New Business portion of the Agenda with a request to authorize submission of the Resource Allocation Plan for program year October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026 to the NYS Office of Children and Family Services, and upon State approval, authorizing the execution of all related contracts, which includes the Youth Development Program, Youth Sports and Education Opportunity Funding, and Youth Team Sports.

Motion was made Mr. Strainer, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those (*Messrs. Driscoll and Wild absent*) to approve the request as presented and the necessary resolution was authorized for the October 17th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the meeting minutes.*

There being no further Youth Bureau business to discuss the Committee commenced with a review of the Discussion Items portion of the Countryside Adult Home agenda which included the following items:

1. Census.
2. Overtime Report.
3. 2026 Budget Request and Salary Schedule review - documentation provided as an agenda attachment.

There being no further Countryside Adult Home business to discuss, review of the Department of Social Services agenda commenced with the following requests:

1. To rescind Resolution Nos. 295 of 1995 and 267 of 2017 as State Law requires the Chair of the Board to execute contracts.

Motion was made by Mr. Strainer, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Driscoll and Wild absent*) to approve the request as presented and the necessary resolution was authorized for the October 17th Board Meeting.

2. To authorize continuation of the MOU (*Memorandum of Understanding*) with the County of Washington in an amount not to exceed \$219,390 for administrative services to Warren County in connection with the operation of the Warren County Youth Bureau for a term commencing October 1, 2025 and terminating December 31, 2026.

Motion was made by Ms. Turner and seconded by Ms. Runyon to approve the request as presented.

The County Attorney recommended amending the motion to include added language to authorize the Chair of the Board to execute automatic annual renewal upon mutual agreement of both parties. Ms. Turner and Ms. Runyon amended their motion to include the language provided by the County Attorney.

Mr. Bruno called the question and the motion, as amended, was carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Driscoll and Wild absent*) to approve the request as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the October 17th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the meeting minutes.*

3. To authorize continuation of agreement with Queensbury Union Free School District to provide preventive casework services in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 for a term commencing retroactive to July 1, 2025 and terminating June 30, 2026.
4. To authorize continuation of agreement with Glens Falls School District to provide preventive

casework services in an amount not to exceed \$40,005 for a term commencing retroactive to July 1, 2025 and terminating June 30, 2026.

It was noted Items 3 and 4 were being withdrawn, as the agreements had been authorized at the September 19th Board Meeting.

5. To authorize continuation of agreement with the Wait House to provide Family Centered Case Management services in an amount not to exceed \$40,005 for a term commencing September 1, 2025 and terminating June 30, 2026.

The Commissioner of the Department of Social Services noted the resolution request form contained a typographical error pertaining to the amount of the agreement which should be for \$50,000 and not \$40,005.

Motion was made by Mr. Patchett, seconded by Ms. Runyon and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Driscoll and Wild absent*) to approve the request to authorize continuation of the agreement with the Wait House to provide Family Centered Case Management services in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 as outlined above and the necessary resolution was authorized for the October 17th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the meeting minutes.*

6. To authorize the appropriation of \$225,880 from Budget Code A.909.00, *General Fund Unappropriated Surplus*, to Budget Code A.6100 470, *Medicaid*, to cover the County's share of the cost of Medicaid through the end of the year.

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

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

1. Commissioner's report of activities and updates was provided by email.
2. Revenue, Expenditures and Overtime Reports. It was noted a request for additional funding would be brought before the Committee at their next meeting, for the Safety Net Assistance (SNA) program to cover this expense through the remainder of the year.
3. 2026 Budget review for the Department of Social Services and Youth Bureau - documentation provided as an agenda attachment.

Mr. Bruno once again called for privilege of the floor:

Mr. Diamond questioned whether a they would be returning to Committee next month to request an appropriation of funds from Budget Code A.909.00, *General Fund Unappropriated Surplus*, to provide the additional funding required to fund the SNA Program through the end of the year and Jill Mammone, *Fiscal Manager, Department of Social Services*, replied affirmatively.

As there was no further business to come before the Human Services Committee, on motion made by Ms. Runyon, seconded by Mr. Strainer and carried by a unanimous vote of those present (*Messrs. Driscoll and Wild absent*), Mr. Bruno adjourned the meeting at 12:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah McLenithan, Deputy Clerk of the Board