

Present: Legislators Young, Deleo, Dibble, Torrey, Also Present: Legislator Stein, Clerk Pamela LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Health Department Director Paul Pettit, OFA Director Ruth Spink, Youth Bureau Director Jocelyn Sikorski, Veterans Director Bill Joyce, Mental Health Director Ellery Reaves, County Attorney Kevin Earl, The Batavian reporter Howard Owens, The Daily News reporter Mallory Dieffenbach.

Chair Young called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM in the Legislature Conference Room at the Old Courthouse. Legislator Torrey was temporarily appointed to the Human Services Committee to fill in for Legislator Clattenburg. The minutes of the April 30, 2018 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Veterans Services Director Bill Joyce explained that State legislation has been introduced that will increase the amount of state funding of Veterans Service Departments and removes the fifty percent cap on total expenditures for maintenance and operation that can be reimbursed by the state. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble carried unanimously.

Office for the Aging Director Ruth Spink requested a salary schedule amendment and a budget transfer to create two part-time clerk typist positions and eliminate one full-time clerk typist position due to the pending retirement of long-time employee Barb Matarrazzo. Barb has agreed to stay on part-time and a new part-time clerk will be hired. This will result in savings to the County in 2018 and 2019. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Ms. Spink explained that County residents in need of in-home care can have a family member as their care provider. An agreement with Willcare, Inc. to serve as fiscal intermediary is required. Under Consumer Directed In-home Services, control is shifted to the consumer (or eligible consumer representative) for budgeting, care planning, decision making, arranging for services and staffing. In-home services are incorporated in the 2018 OFA budget. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Ms. Spink explained the request for a contract renewal with Genesee Orleans ARC for a one-year renewal for the provision of meal preparation services for congregate and home delivered meals administered by the Office for the Aging. There is a cost increase which has been included in the 2018 budget. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Torrey carried unanimously.

Ms. Spink requested approval of a contract renewal with Doyle Security Systems for the provision of personal emergency response systems for older adults in Genesee County

under the federally funded New York State Family Elder Caregiver Support Program Title III-E and the Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program (EISEP). The agreement renewal is for one year commencing on July 1, 2018 for an amount not to exceed \$4,650. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Deleo carried unanimously.

Ms. Spink next requested approval of a contract renewal with Tender Loving Family Care for social adult day care services beginning July 1, 2018. Respite and social day care services have been budgeted for in the amount of \$12,484. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Deleo carried unanimously.

Public Health Director Paul Pettit explained that the Monroe County Executive directed the Monroe County Medical Examiner's office to discontinue the provision of laboratory testing and toxicology services for outside agencies and governmental entities. This requires an amendment to the intermunicipal agreement between Genesee and Monroe County. The amendatory agreement is May 1, 2018-December 31, 2018. Mr. Pettit explained that Monroe County has a lot of back-logged work and testing that normally takes 6-8 days is taking 6-7 weeks. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit presented an agreement with NMS Labs of Willow Grove, PA to provide the laboratory and toxicology services no longer being provided by Monroe County Medical Examiner's Office. The agreement period will be May 1, 2018 thru December 31, 2018. Legislator Stein asked Mr. Pettit to confirm the lab is certified for New York State. Mr. Pettit stated it is a privately owned Lab and they have been providing services to clients in New York State. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit next explained that NYS Department of Health and Health Research notified the County of a \$52,096 Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program grant. These funds were allocated in the 2018 Health Department budget. The contract period is July 1, 2018 thru June 30, 2019 and the funds are to be used to support the program goals of the public health emergency preparedness program. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Torrey carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit next explained that the full-time financial clerk-typist who retired last year has been working part-time. She plans to retire (again) and he is requesting abolishing the part-time position and creating a full-time position. With multiple programs and required reporting for reimbursement the need exists for a full-time financial clerk-typist. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit explained that the Health Department requested execution of a Weights and Measures fee schedule the beginning of 2018. They are now requesting a modification of the approved fee schedule to remove the witnessing fee. This will result in a loss of \$7,000-10,000 in anticipated witnessing fees. The county attorney had the opinion that the witnessing fee was allowable under Home Rule Law. The Ag & Markets attorney is taking the position that the pre-emptive language in Article 16 of the Ag & Markets law prohibits the collection of witnessing fees. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Torrey carried unanimously.

Lastly, Mr. Pettit explained that the Health Department has several affiliation agreements with colleges and universities. He is requesting an agreement with State University of New York at Potsdam allowing the Health Department to have an intern from Potsdam. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Deleo carried unanimously.

Youth Bureau Director Jocelyn Sikorski highlighted Youth Court and Youth Lead while reviewing her Department review. Youth Court has been in existence for ten years in Genesee County. All nine high schools have representation and there are eight graduating seniors. The State's Raise the Age legislation will require the Youth Bureau to expand services relating to Youth Court. The training period is nine weeks and new participants will be recruited from all schools. Youth Court seeks to connect youth with needed services. All students serving on Youth Court must pass the BAR exam. The Youth Lead Program has experienced dwindling numbers due eligible students participating in many activities and therefore unable to commit to Youth Lead. They are working on re-evaluating the program by using resources such as Leadership Genesee graduates who will provide aspects of the program.

Ms. Sikorski next presented a request for grant acceptance of \$2500 in USTA grant funds used annually to provide tennis lessons and programming in Batavia. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mental Health Director Ellery Reaves highlighted three points from his department review; NYS is no longer providing direct care services—only forensic mental health services. The State is shifting how services are paid for to a managed care process and patient care continues to be provided by Genesee County Mental Health. He explained that state funding is being held up due to specific language used in the agreement between the state and Integrity Partners, the newly formed corporation. Mr. Reaves reported that staff is adjusting well to his move to part-time. Several supervisors and managers are long-time seasoned employees who are well-positioned to handle personnel and clinical issues.

Mr. Reaves explained the next six resolutions are contract and budget amendments due to a cost of living adjustment from New York State Mental Health. There is no additional cost to the county.

The first is for an increase of \$13,100 to the Restoration Society (ACE Employment). This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

The second resolution is for an increase of \$7,500 to the Mental Health Association in Genesee County. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

The third resolution is for an increase of \$11,800 to Cazenovia Recovery Systems, Inc. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

The fourth resolution is for an increase of \$276,500 to Genesee Council on Alcoholism and Substance (GCASA). This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

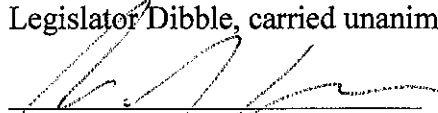
The fifth resolution is for an increase of \$500 to Living Opportunities of DePaul. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

The sixth resolution is for an increase of \$1,000 to NYSARC. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Lastly, Mr. Reaves explained that Psychologist Dave Driscoll, Ph.D. is reducing the number of hours he is working at the Mental Health Clinic and they are in need of another psychologist. He is requesting an agreement with Trica L. Peterson, Ph.D. at a rate of \$190 per hour for a maximum of 110 hours annually. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the Human Services Committee is July 2, 2018.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 PM upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.



Andrew Young

Human Services Committee

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