

Present: Legislator Lawrence, Stein, Ferrando, Young, Clattenburg, Bausch, DeJaneiro, Cianfrini. Also Present: Legislature Clerk Kingdon, County Manager Gsell, County Historian Conklin, Youth Bureau Director Sikorski, Office for the Aging Director Whitmore, Mental Health Director Reaves, Health Director Pettit, Nursing Home Administrator Schaller, GO-Art Representative Kiebala, News Reporter Mrozek.

Chair Lawrence called the meeting to order at 4 PM in the Legislature Conference Room. The minutes of the December 2, 2013 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Ferrando seconded by Legislator Stein.

County Historian Conklin requested permission to apply for the New York State Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund Grant. The grant will be for the purchase of fire resistant file cabinets as part of the disaster management plan for Genesee County and will be used to provide protection to vital records located within key departments of County government. The grant funding will range from \$45,000-\$70,000. This was approved upon motion of Legislator Ferrando seconded by Legislator Stein.

Youth Bureau Director Sikorski requested permission to apply for the Advancing Tobacco Free Communities Grant. This will support prevention and reduction of tobacco use to the development and reinforcement of the tobacco free norm throughout communities across New York State through youth action community engagement. The youth Bureau has received three cycles of funding for the reality check programs 2000, operating youth action program in Genesee, Orleans, and Wyoming counties. If awarded the spider grant it will begin in July 2014. The range of this grant is \$325,000 annually for a five-year period with no matching funds required. This was approved upon motion of Legislator Ferrando seconded by Legislator Stein.

Office for the Aging Director Pamela Whitmore presented a contract with Legal Service for the Elderly, Disabled and Disadvantaged of Western New York, effective January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. The contract is that \$8400 for legal consultation services, plus \$150 in mileage reimbursement for attorney/paralegal work done on home visits or sites within the County. This contract provides legal consultation for those age 60 and over who are socially and and/or financially in need, in matters regarding financial benefits, power of attorney, health care proxies, living wills, housing disputes and other legal matters. Legal services a required service under the older Americans act III-B funding. Legislator Chair Lawrence asked if public presentations were done to promote this service. Ms. Whitmore stated that this contract provides one presentation in the fall and the outreach programs provided by the OFA also promote this. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Ferrando.

Mental Health Director Reaves requested an amendment to the 2013 budget, to accommodate the departments need to purchase injectable medications to meet client

needs, the cost of which are reimbursable through the New York State Insurance and Buy and Bill Program. This was referred to the Ways and Means Committee, upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Ferrando with the recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda.

Next Mr. Reaves requested a budget and salary schedule amendment. This would eliminate one financial clerk full-time and create one financial clerk typist full-time and create an intake clerk part-time. This was referred to the Ways and Means Committee with the recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda by Legislator Ferrando seconded by Legislator Stein.

Lastly Mr. Reaves requested an amendment to the 2013 Restoration Society contract and budget. Due to the increase in State Aide there will be an increase in contractual services provided by Restoration Society. Acceptance of this funding for the program initiates a change in the 2013 contract and budget by an increase of \$5000. Legislator Stein asked how many people does this program help? Mr. Reaves responded it helps hundreds. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator young recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda.

Health Director Pettit presented the Inter-municipal Agreement for the Shared Director of Patient Services/Director of Community Health Services. This will allow the Health Department to execute a contract with Orleans County to provide a Shared Director of Patient Services/Director of Community Health Services. Chair Lawrence asked how the hours are structured between the two counties. Mr. Pettit responded that they try to share these hours 50/50 with each county, however it sometimes depends on what is going on each County. Mrs. Lawrence asked what the dollar savings was; Mr. Pettit stated about \$50,000. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Ferrando seconded by Legislator Young.

Mr. Pettit next requested reimbursement of expenditures made between April 1, 2013 and March 31, 2014 associated with the recruitment and retention of staff or other critical non-personal service costs for the rabies program. This will allow the health Department to accept the cost-of-living adjustments for this program in the amount of \$1227. This was recommended for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Young.

Next, Mr. Pettit requested reimbursement of expenditures made between April 1, 2013 and March 31, 2014 associated with the recruitment and retention of staff or other critical non-personal service cost for the children with special health care needs program. This will allow the health Department to accept the cost-of-living adjustments for this program

in the amount of \$1491. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Ferrando seconded by Legislator Stein.

Mr. Pettit requested reimbursement of expenditures made between April 1, 2013 and March 31, 2014 associated with the recruitment and retention of staff or other critical non-personal service cost associated with the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program. This will allow the Health Department to accept cost-of-living adjustments for this program in the amount of \$2077. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Young.

Mr. Pettit provided a contract renewal with Monroe County Forensic Pathology Services. This contract provides forensic pathology and medico legal death investigation services. This contract is for 2014 and \$100,000 has been budgeted. This service is a required service. Mr. Pettit stated that the County has used Monroe County for many years; however the cost has gone considerably in 2014. Legislator Stein stated that when the two counties when with a shared services there was a difference in philosophy on when to use the forensic lab. Mr. Pettit explained that not everything has to go to the Medical Examiner. Some things are required by law to go to the medical examiner. Recently all the Coroners met with the Chief Coroner with Orleans County. There was a good talk during that meeting and they went through what should be sent to the examiner and what does not necessarily have to go. Mr. Pettit felt it was a very productive meeting. Legislator Stein asked if the County could share this contract with Orleans County and get less for more. Mr. Pettit responded that the Monroe County medical examiner is no longer in the business of eating the cost of surrounding counties, so they have reviewed their pricing. Chair Lawrence asked if a report could be submitted about mid-year to see where the budget is for this service. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Young.

Mr. Pettit presented a contract with Mary Janet Sahukar to provide Director of Community Health Services. This contract is effective February 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 at a rate of \$53.00 per hour. Ms. Sahukar has recently retired and will be on a contract basis until a replacement is hired. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein and seconded by Legislator Ferrando.

Nursing Home Administrator Schaller presented a salary schedule amendment that would eliminate one Building Maintenance Mechanic, PT. The Nursing Home installed a new security system thus eliminating the need for this part time person on the night shift. This was referred to Ways and Means with the recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Ferrando seconded by Legislator Young.

County Manager Gsell presented a funding agreement for Genesee-Orleans Regional Arts Council for 2014 in the amount of \$6,905. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Ferrando seconded by Legislator Stein

At motion to adjourn was made by Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Ferrando at 5:15 PM.

Annie Lawrence, Chair
Human Service Committee
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