

PRESENT: Legislators Lawrence, Young, Stein, Bausch, Ferrando, Clattenberg, Young, and Torrey.

Others: County Manager Gsell, Assistant County Manager Landers, Nursing Home Administrator Schaller, Social Services Commissioner Eileen Kirkpatrick, Human Resources Director Anita Cleveland, Mental Health Services Director Ellery Reaves, Youth Bureau Executive Director Jocelyn Sikorski, County Historian & Records Management Officer Susan Conklin, Historian Consultant James Tammero of Williamsville, Lynn Belluscio LeRoy Historian, Daily News Reporter Paul Mrozek and Clerk Typist Diane Fiorentino.

Chairperson Lawrence called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM in the Legislature Conference Room.

A motion was made by Legislator Stein and seconded by Legislator Young to approve the May 5, 2014 minutes. This passed the Committee.

Mr. Jim Tammero was introduced by Sue Conklin. Mr. Tammero provided the Committee with his background and credentials. The importance of good record keeping and management was emphasized. The tasks which Sue Conklin has completed are beyond expectations and standards. Thusly, Genesee County is referred to as the ideal example for any other county to duplicate. Mr. Tammero indicated that the next step in the County's recordkeeping would be to automate as much data as possible to the public rather than having to search at the physical location. An example of this is the Ontario County website. With the upcoming retirement of Sue Conklin, Mr. Tammero would be willing to provide his expertise when consideration of candidates to fill the vacancy is on hand.

Director Ellery Reaves provided the Committee with the Mental Health department review. In increase in the number of patients, both children and adults, has been made in 2014. Mr. Reaves reminded the Committee that clinical services are provided in all schools. Looking forward, Mr. Reaves provided the Committee with the direction that the State will be going. There will be changes in the Medicaid managed care plan along with long term care plan. The number of beds in psychiatric centers will be decreased; the length of treatment will be changed, with the exception of forensic crime cases, to mention several. Necessary care/housing will then become the responsibility of municipalities. Scenarios were made by Members to Mr. Reaves.

Next Director Reaves requested approval for a budget transfer for the purchase of software to meet Meaningful Use requirements by Federal Center for Medicaid/Medicare Services.

A motion was made by Legislator Stein and seconded by Legislator Young to approve the budget transfer for purchasing software and to refer this item to the Ways and Means Committee. This passed with a unanimous vote. (RESOLUTION #1)

Director Reaves requested a salary schedule amendment. A request for the creation of a part-time Case Manager II in the Outpatient Clinic to help with the increased numbers from Health Home referrals. There will be elimination of one full-time assistant social worker.

A motion was made by Legislator Stein and seconded by Legislator Torrey to approve the salary schedule amendment. This passed the Committee and to refer this item to the Ways and Means Committee. (RESOLUTION # 2)

Next, the Director requested another salary schedule amendment to eliminate a full-time Supervising Mental Health Clinical Social Worker and to create a full-time Staff Psychologist.

A motion was made by Legislator Young and seconded by Legislator Stein to approve the salary schedule amendment. This passed the Committee and referred this item to the Ways and Means Committee. (RESOLUTION # 3)

Director Reaves requested a salary amendment for the elimination of one full-time Assistant Social Worker and the creation of one full-time case Manager II.

A motion was made by Legislator Stein and seconded by Legislator Young to approve the salary amendment and to refer this item to the Ways and Means Committee. This passed with a unanimous vote. (RESOLUTION #4)

Youth Bureau Executive Director Jocelyn Sikorski provided the Committee with the 2014 Program Review. The Youth Bureau funding has been restored with a 4% increase to the 2013 final levels. No match is required by the County. For this calendar year the Youth Bureau is funding 19 programs. The Awards Banquet for 2014 recognized 19 youth and 4 adults. Director Sikorski reported that the Community Garden has been successful. An update and the outlook for AmeriCorps was provided. Eighteen Host Sites will benefit from the service of AmeriCorps members. The Reality Check Program provides activities such as family movie events, summits, activity night and the 10th anniversary celebration of Clean Indoor Air Act. On May 27th notification was received that the application has not been chosen for funding after 14 years of operating the youth component of Tobacco Control in NYS for the three-county area. An update and outlook for STOP-DWI was provided. The Youth Court program update was provided. The program will be continued and supported through 2015. The Genesee Youth Lead is the newest program in conjunction with Genesee Community College. Nine students participate in the two-semester program. In this session nine youth participated in the graduation ceremony. Updates for Youth Bureau Programming & Outreach and Coordination Networking were also provided.

Director Sikorski requested a salary schedule amendment which will eliminate a Program Coordinator, reduce a Program Assistant to part-time and also reduce a Program Specialist to a 70-hour pay period.

A motion was made by Legislator Young and seconded by Legislator Torrey to approve the salary amendment and to refer this item to the Ways and Means Committee. This passed with a unanimous vote. (RESOLUTION #5)

Nursing Home Administrator Christine Schaller requested approval of a contract renewal for ReadyNurse Staffing Services. Healthcare professional/supplemental nursing services provided to residents on an as-needed basis. The request is to extend the contract through June 11, 2015.

A motion was made and seconded by Legislators Stein and Young, respectively, to approve the contract renewal as noted and to recommend placement on the next Legislature Agenda. This passed the Committee unanimously. (RESOLUTION # 6)

Approval for a contract with Maxim Healthcare Services was requested by Administrator Schaller effective June 12, 2014 through June 11, 2015. The contract was reviewed by the Committee.

A motion was made and seconded by Legislators Stein and Young, respectively, to approve the request and to recommend this item for placement on the next Legislature Agenda. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion. (RESOLUTION # 7)

Next, a request for a one year contract with Medical Staffing Network Healthcare was made by Administrator Schaller. The contract is for supplemental healthcare staffing for residents on an as-needed basis from June 12, 2014 through June 11, 2015 at detailed rates within the agreement.

A motion was made and seconded by Legislators Stein and Torrey, respectively, to approve the contract and to recommend this item for placement on the next Legislature Agenda. This passed the Committee unanimously. (RESOLUTION # 8)

A request made by Administrator Schaller for a salary schedule amendment to remove a Nursing Office Scheduler position and a Social Work Assistant, Grade 7 position. The creation a Grade 15 Social Work Assistant position and a part-time Clerk Typist position will result.

A motion was made and seconded by Legislators Young and Torrey respectively, to approve the Salary Schedule Amendment and to refer this to the Ways and Means Committee. This passed the Committee unanimously. (RESOLUTION # 9)

Nursing Home Administrator Christine Schaller requested approval of a salary schedule amendment for a more efficient operation of the business office by eliminating a part time Medical Billing Clerk and creating a part-time Financial Clerk Typist position.

This was recommended for approval and for referral to the next Ways and Means Committee meeting by a motion from Legislator Stein and seconded by Legislator Torrey. A voice vote carried the motion. (RESOLUTION #10)

Administrator Schaller requested from the Committee approval to a Salary Schedule Amendment which eliminate a full-time Principal Medical Biller and a full-time Admissions Coordinator and create a full-time Manage Care Coordinator.

This was recommended for approval and referral to the Ways and Means Committee by a motion from Legislator Stein and seconded by Legislator Young. A voice vote carried the motion. (RESOLUTION #11)

DSS Commissioner Eileen Kirkpatrick requested a contract renewal for Emergency Response System (PERS) for eligible clients of DSS and Office for the Aging for a one year contract at the rate of \$25 per installation for each unit and an ongoing monthly charge of \$21.95 per unit.

A motion was made by Legislator Stein and seconded by Legislator Torrey to approve the request and to recommend this item for placement on the next Legislature Agenda. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion. (RESOLUTION # 12)

Next, Commissioner Kirkpatrick requested approval for the lease at 5130 East Main for use by DSS and Mental Health through April 30, 2020 with R & J Enterprises at a cost of \$639,734 per year.

A motion was made by Legislator Stein and seconded by Legislator Young to approve the request and to recommend this item for placement on the next Legislature Agenda. A unanimous voice vote carried the motion. (RESOLUTION # 13)

A motion was made and seconded by Legislators Stein and Torrey at 5:49 PM to enter into Executive Session to discuss safety and security issues. The meeting reconvened at 6:23 PM by motion and second by Legislators Stein and Torrey, respectively.

County Manager Jay Gsell provided the Committee with the status of the Nursing Home audit. Information was provided in regards to political activity in Albany. Currently there is a Bill which is in the Assembly in regards to the NYS County's transfer of ownership of assets. The impact of passage was discussed.

The Administrative Office reported that the next Committee meeting is scheduled for June 30, 2014.

Chairperson Lawrence recommended approval for the reappointment for the Commissioner of Social Services, Eileen Kirkpatrick effective July 31, 2014 through July 30, 2019.

This was recommended for approval and for referral to the next Ways and Means Committee meeting by a motion from Legislator Stein and seconded by Legislator Young. A voice vote carried the motion unanimously. (RESOLUTION #14)

The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 PM upon motion of Legislator Torrey and seconded by Legislator Stein.

Annie Lawrence, Chair
Human Service Committee