

Present: Legislators DeJaneiro, Young, Clattenburg, Bausch Also Present: Legislator Cianfrini, Legislature Clerk LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, OFA Director Ruth Spink, Mental Health Director Ellery Reaves, Health Director Paul Pettit, County Attorney Chuck Zambito, Mallory Diefenbach, Howard Owens

Acting Human Service Chair Young called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM. Legislators Clattenburg and Bausch were appointed to serve on the committee temporarily. The minutes of the October 3, 2016 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Clattenburg carried unanimously.

Youth Bureau Director Jocelyn Sikorski presented an application for appointment to the County Youth Board from Jessica Torrey. Ms. Torrey has a Stafford mailing address however she lives in Bethany therefore would fill the Pavilion/Bethany seat on the board. This appointment does not fill the board, more vacancies still exist. This was referred to the Ways and Means Committee with the recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro, carried unanimously.

County Attorney Charles Zambito explained the Village and Town of Bergen are planning to consolidate vital statistics into one primary registration district and this requires support from the County Legislature. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro, carried unanimously.

Office for the Aging Director Ruth Spink explained the OFA is requesting the continuation of a transportation contract with RTS-Genesee for the provision of medical transportation for the elderly. She explained that RTS drivers are not allowed to enter the home of a client and assist them. The agreement with WNY Alzheimer's Caregiver Partnership grant provides for funds for that purpose, to have someone assist the senior citizen by entering the home and providing assistance. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

Ms. Spink next explained the need for an agreement with the Genesee Senior Foundation, Inc. to accept revenue to provide clerical and administrative salary and general and maintenance support for activities of the Genesee Senior Foundation and Meals on Wheels support in the amount of \$5,450. This is the same amount as 2016. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Ms. Spink described the next request for a contract renewal with Center for Elder Law & Justice for the provision of Legal Services for the Elderly in Genesee County. The contracted amount of \$8,400 is included in the 2017 budget. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Public Health Director Paul Pettit explained the request for a contract renewal with 3D Delivery for the provision of courier services. Anticipated expense for the contract is \$3,300. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit explained the need for an agreement with a local justice to serve as an environmental hearing officer. It is part of the process when a business is cited. The hearing officer can make recommendations to the board of health who ultimately issue the penalty. Legislator Cianfrini asked if there is a back-up hearing officer in the event Mr. Graham is out of town. Mr. Pettit stated he will look into the matter. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro, carried unanimously.

Next, Mr. Pettit presented a resolution to renew a contract with Erie County Public Health Laboratory to provide Clinical and Environmental Laboratory Services for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017 at the rates outlined in the agreement. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit presented another contract renewal for laboratory and medical treatment services with United Memorial Medical Center from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit explained another contract renewal request for medical consultant services with Dr. Alan Barcomb for \$2,500 for the period of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro, carried unanimously.

The next resolution presented by Mr. Pettit was for a contract renewal with Laura Calla, a municipality representative on the Committee on Preschool Special Education of the Genesee County School Districts. Pay rate is \$40 per hour plus mileage. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro, carried unanimously.

The next resolution was for a contract renewal with Amy Wolter, also a municipality representative on the Committee on Preschool Special Education of the Genesee County School Districts. Pay rate is \$40 per hour plus mileage. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit next explained that the NYS Public Health Law specifies the counties are responsible for ensuring direct clinical services for Tuberculosis. Monroe County operates a TB control program and Genesee County would like to obtain their services. Expenses are eligible for full reimbursement. This was approved for placement on the

next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Next, Mr. Pettit explained that the Public Health Department was awarded \$25,000 to use to support costs associated with Article 6 eligible service. The department participated in the 2015-16 Local Health Department Performance Incentive Initiative and produced a high score during the performance period. This was referred to the Ways and Means Committee with the recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

Lastly, Mr. Pettit explained that in the past, the department has a memorandum of agreement with GCC for Point of Dispensing (POD) Clinics in case of an emergency. The agreement period is January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2020. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro, carried unanimously.

Community Mental Health Director Ellery Reaves was invited to present highlights of his department review. Mr. Reaves explained that the state is shifting how services are paid for as well as how they are aligning mental health services with general health services. Legislator Young asked if it is a cost-based or patient-based approach. Mr. Reaves stated it is a little of both. The expectation is there will be cost savings and improved outcomes. He explained the State is increasing resources to help patients reintegrate into the community. Locally, he said his department works with housing provider DePaul. They always work to ensure patients/clients are in the least restrictive environment. Legislator Bausch stated he is aware of the increase in jail prisoners with mental health issues and asked if there is treatment for them. Mr. Reaves stated that individuals requiring mental health treatment can be referred to psychiatric Center forensic beds. Legislator Clattenburg asked if therapists can go into the schools. Mr. Reaves stated the department does have MH therapists in the schools in the county however, unless court ordered, parents must consent. Legislator Young asked how many are working in the Mental Health Department. Mr. Reaves stated there are about 64. An organizational chart was made available. Mr. Reaves explained that Genesee County is taking the lead with a multi-county project to collect data regarding the best way to provide services; either with the county or a private contractor. Orleans County continues to send patients to Genesee County Mental Health Day Treatment for services. An agreement with both counties was established since it was no longer feasible to Orleans County to operate a Day Treatment Center.

Mr. Reaves explained that the next three resolutions address more COLA funds released by NYS for contracted services with the YWCA, ACE employment Services and the Mental Health Association. There is no cost to the County. The first resolution is for \$104 of COLA for the YWCA. This was referred to the Ways and Means Committee with the recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Bausch seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro, carried unanimously.

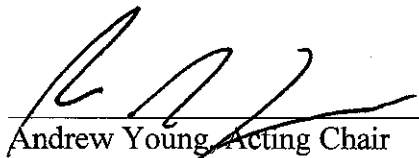
The next resolution is for \$434 of COLA for the Restoration Society (ACE Employment), also with no cost to the County. This was referred to the Ways and Means Committee with the recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro, carried unanimously.

The third resolution provides a COLA of \$657 to the Mental Health Association with no cost to the county. This was referred to the Ways and Means Committee with the recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

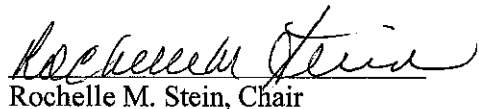
Mr. Reaves explained the last agenda item which is a request to transfer funds to cover court ordered treatment and services. A total of \$20,000 will be transferred from Medical Supplies and ICM Client Fund to Contracted Other. Legislator Bausch asked for clarification on whether the county could expect any reimbursement from the State. Mr. Reaves explained there is no reimbursement from the State or Federal government. The court ordered services are clinically required. The department uses all resources to provide necessary treatment however, when an individual is ordered by the court, the county does not have the level of treatment (in-patient) and they must go outside of the county for necessary services. This was referred to the Ways and Means Committee with the recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro, carried unanimously.

The Clerk reported the next scheduled meeting of the committee is Monday December 5, 2016 at 4:30 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 PM upon motion of Legislator Bausch seconded by Legislator Clattenburg.



Andrew Young, Acting Chair
Human Services Committee 10/31/16 Meeting



Rochelle M. Stein, Chair
Human Services Committee
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