

Present: Legislators Stein, DeJaneiro, Young, Deleo, Also Present: Legislators Torrey, Cianfrini, Bausch, Davis, Legislature Clerk LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Mental Health Director Ellery Reaves, Health Director Paul Pettit, DSS Commissioner Eileen Kirkpatrick, youth Bureau Director Jocelyn Sikorski, Kevin Earl, Nursing Home Administrator Sharon Zeames, Howard Owens

Chair Stein called the meeting to order at 4:27 PM. Legislator Torrey was appointed to serve on the committee temporarily until Human Services Committee member DeJaneiro arrived. The minutes of the October 31, 2016 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Deleo carried unanimously.

Department of Social Services Commissioner Eileen Kirkpatrick explained how she plans her budget annually and the variables that that she and her department have little control over which can result in the need for a budget transfer. This year, the transfers have a positive request as there is no increase in the overall local share of the budget. This was referred to the Ways and Means Committee with the recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Youth Bureau Director Jocelyn Sikorski presented her request to enter into an Inter-municipal agreement with Orleans County for Youth Bureau operations. Orleans County will pay \$17,595 for Genesee County to operate the Orleans County Youth Bureau. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Next, Ms. Sikorski requested approval for entering into an agreement with Orleans County for the public information and education component of the STOP-DWI program. The Orleans County STOP-DWI program will pay \$10,960 for Genesee County to operate the program. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Ms. Sikorski explained her request to apply for the next cycle of AmeriCorps grant funding. The amount applied for will be approximately the same as previous AmeriCorps grant application amounts. This application does not include the Youth Opportunity grant which is slated to end. A motion to approve was made by Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Health Director Paul Pettit explained the need for a contract with Monroe County for forensic/autopsy services. The Health Department budgets for a certain number of autopsies. He explained that when the contract is for a specific number, the rate per autopsy is lower. If additional are required, a higher rate is charged. Mr. Pettit explained there are certain criteria that when meet, require an autopsy. Coroners are attending trainings and becoming more experienced and educated with the law and when an autopsy must be ordered. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature

Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

Next, Mr. Pettit presented a request to enter into a contract with Alexander Central School for the provision of related services in the Preschool Supportive Health Services Program. Currently, there is a preschool student in the district in need of services and the district has appropriate staff on their payroll to provide the service. The County is obligated to pay for preschool services. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Nursing Home Administrator Sharon Zeames described the request to enter into a contract for psychological services with CHE Senior Psychological Services PC beyond what is offered by the Nursing Home's social work staff. She stated there is no cost to the county since patients insurance will be billed for services. Chair Stein asked that the standard language "The contract is subject to approval of the Genesee County Attorney and shall include a thirty day termination clause without cause" be in the resolution. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro, carried unanimously.

Mr. Reaves provided an update on the corporate compliance committee work; the committee includes public health, mental health, IT and is supervised by the County Manager. He stated that they review compliance issues and laws surrounding compliance (HIPPA). Human Services Chair Stein described the nuances internet and IT bring to the work of the Corporate Compliance committee and how employees and legislators are mindful of county computer use.

Community Mental Health Director Ellery Reaves described his first agenda item which is for a budget transfer and contract amendment with Coordinated Care Services Inc. Mental Health contracts with CCSI for specialized services including quality assurance work. There have been senior staff that left and those positions have not been filled. CCSI has provided the needed services therefore unexpended personnel funds will be transferred to cover the cost of those services. Total amount of the transfer from personnel to contracted-other is \$20,000. This was referred to the Ways and Means Committee with the recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. Reaves explained that the next two resolutions address more cost of living adjustment (COLA) funds released by NYS for contracted services with the Mental Health Association and GCASA. There is no cost to the County. The first resolution is for \$19,264 of COLA for the Mental Health Association. This was referred to the Ways and Means Committee with the recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

The next resolution is for \$6,400 of COLA for GCASA, 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 DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

The Mental Health department is required to have medical services for patients Mr. Reaves explained. The next four agenda items are for contracted services with a psychologist, two medical doctors, and a nurse practitioner. The first is for a contract with Dr. David Driscoll at a rate of \$112 per hour for a maximum of 120 hours. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

The next is for a contract with Professional Psychiatric Services, PC and Dr. Anthony Racaniello, MD at a cost of \$158 per hour for a maximum of 1,550 hours. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Next, Mr. Reaves requested approval of a contract with Virginia Wohltmann, MD for psychiatric services at a rate of \$155 per hour for a maximum of 1,120 hours. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro, carried unanimously.

The next resolution on the agenda is for a contract with AJL NP in Psychiatry, PLLC for nurse practitioner services by Amanda J. Lewis, RN, NPP at a rate of \$89 per hour for a maximum of 900 hours per year. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. Reaves explained the next eight agenda items are requests for contracts for 2017 with eight different agencies that provide required specialized services. The first is with Coordinated Care Services Inc. (CCSI) at a cost not to exceed \$79,305. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro, carried unanimously.

The next is for a 2017 contract with the YWCA for mental health crisis hotline services in an amount not to exceed \$111,239 with a cost to the county of \$41,871. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

Next, Mr. Reaves asked for approval for a contract with The Restoration Society, Inc. (ACE Employment) for specialized employment services in an amount not to exceed \$308,512 at a \$0 cost to the county. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

Next, Mr. Reaves requested approval for a contract with The Mental Health Association of Genesee & Orleans Counties for advocacy and social support services at a cost not to exceed \$437,958 at \$0 cost to the county. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. Reaves explained the next request for a contract with Genesee Council on Alcoholism and Substance Abuse (GCASA) for addictions treatment services at a cost not to exceed \$1,535,707 at a cost to the county of \$35,536. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Next, Mr. Reaves requested approval of a contract with Living Opportunities of DePaul for housing services at a cost not to exceed \$42,504 at a cost of \$0 to the county for 2017. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

Mr. Reaves described the next resolution, to enter a contract with Cazenovia Recovery Systems, Inc. for residential services for veterans in an amount not to exceed \$120,240 at a cost of \$0 to the county. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro, carried unanimously.


The last resolution presented by Mr. Reaves was for a contract with ARC of Genesee & Orleans for vocation programs at a cost not to exceed \$66,125 with the cost to the county of \$41,745 for 2017. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

County Manager Gsell explained the work continues with the sale of the Nursing Home with December 30 or 31 as the closing date. Mr. Gsell, Treasurer Scott German and County Attorney Zambito had a conference call to discuss and formalize a list of action items and deliverables. Notices have been sent to contractors and unions providing notice of the pending sale. The 2014 IGT payment was received; this is a federal program where 50% is provided by the federal government and 50% by the county. The 2015 IGT payment is still being negotiated.

The Clerk reported the next scheduled meeting of the committee is Tuesday, January 3, 2017 at 4:30 PM.

Chair Stein stated this is the last meeting of the Human Services Committee this year and proceeded to thank committee members for their work. Department heads and staff were praised for their loyalty and hard work throughout the year as well as the Legislature Clerk for her support of the committee. Ms. Stein closed on her remarks by extending thanks to Chairman Cianfrini for appointing her to chair the Human Services committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:08 PM upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro.



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