

Health and Human Services
Tuesday, January 24, 2023 @ 10:30 AM
Chambers

MINUTES

10:30 Call Meeting to Order
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Chairwoman Mary Cavanagh called the meeting to order at 10:31 a.m. in the Board Chambers and via Zoom.

Committee Members present:

Chairwoman Mary Cavanagh, Vice Chairwoman Brandee DuBois, Supervisor Alex Stapanski, Supervisor Loren Corbin, and Supervisor Dave Jones

Others present:

County Administrator Mark Scimone, County Attorney Tina Wayland-Smith, Public Health Director Eric Faisst, Public Health Deputy Director Erica Bird, Department of Social Services Commissioner Michael Fitzgerald, Youth Bureau Director Tina Louis, Mental Health Director Teisha Cook, Veteran's Agency Director Ron Raymer, Public Information Officer Samantha Field, Clerk to the Board Emily Burns, Finance Assistant Director Keith Lummis, and Confidential Secretary Deanna Matt

Approval of Minutes

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Motion by Brandee DuBois to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2022 meeting. Second by Alex Stepanski. The motion was Passed.

Mental Health:

1. Discussion Update

Director Teisha Cook reported a budget modification moving forward to Finance, Ways, and Means committee regarding adjustment to the contract for Mat Roosa to provide assistance with Opioid Settlement funds disbursement.

Director Cook reported a budget modification for the contract with Contact Crisis Services for the afterhours crisis line - budget modification is moving money from personnel (as done in the past) to a \$6,000 contract with Contact.

Director Cook reported a budget modification related to mileage expense for a school clinic.

2. Authorizing the Chairman to Execute a Contract and Modifying the

2023 Adopted County Budget

Director Teisha Cook presented the resolution related to the RFP for Opioid Settlement dollars, and that Mental Health was selected as an award recipient, and will be moving forward with a project related to Narcan.

Motion by Alex Stepanski to approve the resolution. Second by Dave Jones. The motion was Passed.

Public Health:

1. Authorizing the Chairman to Enter Into and Agreement with Syracuse University

Director Eric Faisst reported that this is a wastewater sampling contract for Syracuse University to test all Madison County wastewater systems (except Hamilton), being paid for with ARPA funds, and testing is slated to begin in February. Motion by Loren Corbin to approve the resolution. Second by Brandee DuBois. The motion was Passed.

Social Services:

1. Commissioners Report

Commissioner Michael Fitzgerald provided the updated contact information for Department of Social Services (DSS) staff, and provided the Commissioners Report.

2. Authorizing the Chairman to Enter into an Agreement with Cayuga Centers

Commissioner Michael Fitzgerald reported that Cayuga Centers will be utilized in place of Liberty Resources for mandated services for incorrigible at-risk youth. This is a pre-emptive program designed to help prevent future juvenile delinquency placement. Program is referral-based, occurs in the home, and partially state-funded. Motion by Dave Jones to approve the resolution. Second by Alex Stepanski. The motion was Passed.

3. Resolution Calling On The Governor To Complete Affordable Care Act Enhanced Federal Medicaid Assistance Percentage Reconciliations That Are Years Overdue And Immediately Release The Federal Funds Owed To Counties And New York City

Commissioner Fitzgerald reported that Madison County is owed over four million dollars in back funds (2019, 2020, 2021). This will be dicussed further at NYSAC.

Commissioner also notes that on April 1, 2023 additional benefits, that have been provided since the onset of the pandemic and Public Health Emergency, will be ending. This will effect the 10% of the County's population who are recipients of Food Stamps, and the

over 16,000 medicaid recipients.

Motion by Loren Corbin to approve the resolution. Second by Alex Stepanski. The motion was Passed.

Youth Bureau:

1. Youth Bureau Update

Director Tina Louis notes that the New Vision on-campus students have moved into their internships in the following county departments: Mental Health, Public Information Office, Probation, Courts, Clerk, County Attorney, County Administrator.

Director Louis noted that sports allocations have been released for January-September for \$20,000. The program will begin setting up listening sessions with Public Information Officer. The Office for Children and Family Services allocates Youth Bureau funds based on population and NYS local determinants.

2. Authorizing the Chairman to Enter into an Agreement with Community Action Program for Madison County, Inc. and to Modify the 2023 Adopted County Budget

Motion by Dave Jones to approve the resolution. Second by Loren Corbin. The motion was Passed.

3. Authorizing the Chairman to Enter into an Agreement with BRiDGES, Cornell Cooperative Extension Madison County and The Madison County Youth Bureau for the continuation of the Madison County Youth Council

Director Tina Louis reports that this resolution does not involve any money, it is an agreement of time commitments of staff, and offers guidelines. Motion by Alex Stepanski to approve the resolution. Second by Brandee DuBois. The motion was Passed.

Veterans Affairs:

1. Discussion Update

Director Ron Raymer reported that the Narcan Train the Trainer is intended to train their community members.

Director Raymer provided an update on the community center stating they are waiting on the state of NY for approval of funding. The Mental Health department staff are working with the program staff to move this forward. Director Raymer also noted that the full \$100,000 award rolled over from 2022.

Resolutions:

Other Committee Business

Preferred Agenda

It was the consensus of the Committee to allow any eligible resolution from today's meeting to be added to the preferred agenda. All resolutions were voted on and approved by the Committee.

Next Meeting: February 21, 2023 @ 10:30 A.M.

Adjourn

Motion by Brandee DuBois to adjourn at 11:25 am. Second by Loren Corbin. The motion was Passed.