

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
July 6, 2015

Present: Doug Paddock, Sarah Purdy, Tim Dennis, Margaret Dunn, Elden Morrison, Bonnie Percy, Bill Holgate, Dan Banach, Lee Sackett, Mark Morris, Bob Clark, Jim Smith, Connie Hayes, Deb Minor, Amy Miller, Deb Minor, George Roets, Earle Gleason, Marsha Devine, Katie Smeenk,

Leslie and Jim Smith will do the audit this month.

Minutes of the June meeting were approved as presented.

Doug stated he spoke with the Public Defender regarding evening arraignments. They are collecting data and will be at next month's meeting to report.

SOCIAL SERVICES: Amy Miller

Amy reviewed the following resolutions that would be needed. The Committee approved.

- Resolution: Workforce Development Budget Transfer (2)
- Resolution: WIA Youth/Adult Contracts
- Resolution: WIA Youth/Adult allocation
- Resolution: Residential Contracts

Amy requested that the salary for the Director of Income Maintenance be increased to same as the Director of Children and Family Services which would cost approximately \$400 more. The consensus of the Committee was to increase the salary.

Amy reviewed a position review form to refill a Social Welfare Examiner position that will become vacant as of July 10th due to a resignation. The Consensus of the Committee was to refill the position.

Amy reviewed a position review form to refill the Employment and Training Supervisor that has become vacant due to the promotion to fill the Director of Income Maintenance and Child Support. The consensus of the Committee was to refill the position and any back position that may become vacant because of a promotion to the Employment and Training Supervisor.

Amy reported Workforce Development has been working with the Yates County Cultural and Recreational Center on a customer server training. Fifteen individuals participated and the evaluations were positive.

Amy reported there have been 58 job placements for the period of 1/1/15 thru 6/24/15.

Amy reported staff attended the New York State Welfare Fraud Investigators Association Training in Binghamton from June 1 – 3.

Amy reported there is a slight decrease in the WIOA funding from the 2014-2015 program year.

Amy reported the department continues to administer the county cars and the cost of repairs continue to increase. There are 4 vehicles and the blue Taurus which is a 2006 is not safe to drive any distance out of the county.

Amy updated the Committee on Youth Bureau activities. The Girls on the run 5k celebration was held on June 14th at the Dundee school campus. There were 35 participants with 31 completing the 5k. Registration for the 2016 season will begin in February.

Amy reported the municipal summer recreation programs began today with the exception of Torrey and Middlesex.

Amy reported the Distinguished Youth Award recipient Miriah Jefferson, will not be here this month to receive the award so the award will be done at the August meeting.

PUBLIC HEALTH: Deb Minor

Deb reported the due date of next Community Health Assessment/ Community Health Improvement Plan will be due December 2016. Preliminary conversations have begun with the Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency and S²AY Rural Health Network to assist Public Health in data collection/analysis necessary for the Community Health Assessment.

Deb reported on the Rabies Clinic that was held on June 3rd. There were 182 dogs, 75 cats, and 2 ferrets vaccinated.

Thus far in 2015, 18 specimens have been submitted for testing at the state lab for rabies. Three have returned positive, 1 fox and 2 raccoons. Four individuals have received post exposure treatment, 2 of which had no health insurance coverage. Thirty six 10-day confinements have been ordered and 2 dogs remain under 6 month quarantine.

Deb reported there was a food recall from Shirks Meat, thus far no human illness has been associated with this recall.

Deb made the following report regarding Accreditation. As a follow-up to the discussion of Public Health Department Accreditation that occurred at last month's committee meeting, 75 health departments across the U.S. have received the status of accredited while another 257 are in process. Seven states reference health department accreditation in their laws (Colorado, Maine, Ohio, Oregon Vermont, Iowa and North Carolina). For example, Iowa and North Carolina reference state-level accreditation for all local health departments while Ohio law provides authority to the state's director of health to mandate accreditation including application by July 1, 2018. North Carolina makes local health department eligibility for public funding contingent on local health department obtaining and maintaining accreditation while Ohio law requires that each health district must meet the minimum PHAB standards to receive any state subsidy funds.

Deb reported the Yates Substance Abuse Coalition met in June in conjunction with a pasta dinners. It was decided that the dinners will continue on a monthly basis and will be held on the 3rd Wednesday of every month at the Elks.

Deb reviewed the following resolution that would be needed. The Committee approved.

- Resolution for Worldwide Breastfeeding Week

Deb reported the Preschool & School Supportive Health Services Annual Medicaid Cost Report for July 2013 – June 2014 has been submitted to the Public Consulting Group (PCG) and we have responded to questions received following their Desk Review.

Deb reviewed the following resolution that would be needed. The Committee approved.

- Resolution to authorize signature of a contract with Great Expectations Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapy, P.L.L.C. (ST \$65/visit, PT \$70/visit, OT \$60/visit) 7/1/15 to 6/30/20

Deb reported there are two student interns who are interested in working with staff this fall. Deb is working with the County Attorney and getting the necessary paperwork completed.

Deb reported there currently is not a position of Emergency Services Coordinator, those services have been done with a contractor. The IRS auditor has determined that these services cannot be done by a contractor and therefore a position will need to be created. Deb would like to create a part-time position of Public Health Nurse to perform these services, the position would be covered 100% through the grant. The Committee approved.

Mark asked Deb at some point in the future to update the Committee on how patients and employees are doing with the sale of the Certified Home Health Agency. Katie and Amy both stated they have had positive experiences once over the learning curve.

OFFICE FOR THE AGING: Katie Smeenk

Katie reported as of June 15th, Becky Bennett-Tears started as the new Assistant Director of the Office for the Aging Community and Preventive Services.

Katie reported the Farmers Market Coupons are being distributed starting today and will continue through September 30th. Katie has received 520 booklets worth \$20 each for fresh local produce from a farmers market.

Katie reported she has submitted a grant application to New York State Office for the Aging to expand their Yates NY Connects information and assistance program based on the requirements of the Balancing Incentives Payment program (BIP funding). The expanded NY Connects program will include additional populations to be served for information and assistance in accessing long term services and supports through OPWDD-funded programs (developmental disabilities), OMH (mental health and substance abuse) – funded programs, and working with Independent Living Centers for those persons they serve. As part of the enhanced services through NY Connects, Yates staff will provide more in-depth screening and assistance services, including Medicaid screening and application assistance, conflict free case management, along with referrals and linkages to a wider array of long term care services and supports.

Katie reported they continue to have no waiting lists for any services.

Katie reported she was at Milly's Pantry and inquired how the summer food program was going. The program is going well, with 10 students on staff and they are putting out 400 meals a day, Monday thru Friday. Distribution is done to the Penn Yan Elementary and Penn Yan Academy for summer school program. They have also taken on a new site with the Penn Yan Library, they do Dundee twice a week in addition to the regular locations.

Katie reported she has received final approval on the 2015/16 Annual Implementation Plan and grant award notices for their federal funded programs. She is still waiting for approval to spend the state dollars.

COMMUNITY SERVICES: George Roets

George reviewed the following resolutions that would be needed. The Committee approved.

- Resolution to amend 2015 contract with the Council on Addictions of the Finger Lakes, Inc.

- Resolution for the authorization to appropriate funds
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- Resolution to amend 2015 contracts with agencies

George reported there were 5 reports received with regards to the SAFE ACT, none were sent to the state.

George reported there is currently 1 person on AOT and 1 discharged to community care.

George gave a brief report as to what the Assertive Community Treatment (ACT)

George explained in light of the current IRS audit, his department is affected in that current contractors will have to be made employees. George will be putting together job specifications and work with Personnel on rectifying the situation.

VETERANS: Philip Rouin

Phil could not attend the meeting this month. His report was reviewed with no questions.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR: Sarah Purdy

Sarah reported the interviews for the Conflict Defender position are complete and Rob Gosper was selected to fill the position. Sarah will be working on getting the office established along with talking with the County Attorney regarding the secretarial services and will report back.

Sarah reported Mary Zelazny, Director of Finger Lakes Community Health, put together a meeting for representatives from several agencies that provide transportation services in Yates County to discuss the possibilities of public transportation. The County Planner and Sarah will contact Steuben and Schuyler Counties to learn from them how they got their transportation systems started with their ARC's and then they will meet with our ARC toward the end of the month. Regular updates will be given to the Human Services Committee.

Lee moved to enter into executive session to discuss the financial history of a particular person, seconded by Jim.

VOTE: Unanimous

Meeting adjourned at 7:35p.m.