



HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Time: 11:00 am

Location: ontariocountyny.webex.com

June 8, 2020

MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Daniel Marshall, Supervisor Tamara Hicks, Daryl Marshall, Supervisor Fred Wille, Supervisor Norm Teed, and Supervisor Richard Russell.

OTHERS PRESENT

In addition to Committee Members:

- Brian Young, Interim County Administrator
- Jack Marren, Chairman BOS
- Holly Adams, County Attorney
- Mary Gates, Finance Director
- Lorrie Scarrott, Deputy Director of Finance
- Mary Beer, Director of Public Health
- Diane Johnston, Director of Mental Health
- Jessica Mitchell, Deputy Director of Mental Health,
- Irene Coveny, Director Office for the Aging
- Eileen Tiberio, Commissioner, DSS
- Robert Kramer, Deputy Commissioner, DSS
- Andrea McGraw, Deputy Commissioner, DSS (32a286)
- Shelly Gray, Sr. Fiscal Manager DSS (32a883)
- Sandy Seeber, Fiscal Manager
- Julie Sherwood, Reporter (guser)
- Kristin Mueller, Clerk to the Board of Supervisors
- Diane Foster, Deputy Clerk to the Board of Supervisors

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Dan Marshall called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m.

MINUTES

A motion to approve the May 18, 2020 meeting minutes was made by Supervisor Rich Russell, seconded by Supervisor Norm Teed. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEALTH

a. **Resolution:** *Authorization for Services – UR Thompson Hospital 2020-2021*

Mary Beer presented a resolution to contract with UR Thompson for professional services.

Supervisor Norm Teed motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Supervisor Fred Wille. Motion carried.

b. **Resolution:** *Amendment to Resolution No. 711-2019 – Health Research, Inc. (HRI) – Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program Grant (Contract No. 1579-13) 2019-2020*

Mary Beer presented two resolutions to amend two contracts with Health Research Inc. (HRI) to accept additional supplemental funding regarding the Coronavirus response activities. The first in the amount of \$15,000 and the second in the amount of \$47,944.00.

Supervisor Daryl Marshall motioned to approve the two resolutions as a

c. **Resolution:** Amendment to Resolution No. 213-2020 Contract with Health Research, Inc. (HRI) (Contract No. 6334-01) for Emergency Preparedness Program Grant 2020-2021

block, seconded by Supervisor Rich Russell. Motion carried.

d. **Performance Management**

Ms. Beer noted there is not a Performance Management update this meeting.

e. **Updates**

Mary Beer gave a brief update on the status and progression of the COVID19 virus. She reported the following:

- Currently at 219 positive cases
- Two more deaths related to Elm Manor making it a total of 18 deaths from Elm Manor
- Eleven deaths from Ontario Center
- One community death
- She commended the residents of Ontario County for doing such a good job on wearing masks, social distancing, and washing hands. Ms. Beer believes this has made a real difference with the keeping numbers low.
- There was a small outbreak in Clifton Springs Nursing Home.

MENTAL HEALTH

a. **Resolution:** Authorization for Amendment – Gretchen N Foley, MD – Mental Health – 2020

Diane Johnston presented a resolution to amend a contract with Gretchen Foley for increased clinical psychiatric services at an additional cost of \$20,000.

Supervisor Fred Wille motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Supervisor Daryl Marshall. Motion carried.

b. **Resolution:** Authorization for Contract Renewal – Rochester Regional Health – Home Based Crisis Intervention Program – Mental Health – 2020

Ms. Johnston presented two resolutions to renew two contracts with Rochester Regional Health; the first for their home-based crisis intervention program and the second for Psychiatry services.

Supervisor Norm Teed motioned to approve the two resolutions as a block, seconded by Supervisor Rich Russell. Motion carried.

c. **Resolution:** Authorization for Contract Renewal – Rochester Regional Health - Psychiatry Services – Mental Health – 2020

d. **Updates**

Diane Johnston gave the following updates:

- As of April 1st, they are responsible for 100% rather than 50% of costs of the seven thirty cases, so she is working with the District Attorney, Public Defender, and Conflict Defender more regularly and it was discovered that the Office of Mental health

charged more dollars than they should have charged. She has emailed the office requesting a refund but has not heard back from them.

- Telehealth and telephonic; they were approved for licensing for telehealth as well as the governor extended the time to continue using telephonic services.

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Brian Young thanked Diane Johnston for coordinating the efforts with the DA, PD, and CD and looking at the seven thirty cases.

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

a. *County Attorney report for Child Support Program*

Eileen Tiberio presented a copy of the annual report they get from the County Attorney's office for the child support activity.

b. *Option for online application for assistance: [DSS-2921 Application for Temporary Assistance](#)*

Ms. Tiberio noted that the application for cash assistance can be done on-line remotely. She provided the link for the application.

c. *Change in law re: child abuse investigations*

Ms. Tiberio noted there will be a change in about 18 months regarding child abuse investigations. It is a law that was passed in the budget. She explained the level of proof to what's called fair preponderance. It must be collected more evidence than not that the child has been abused. It will take some changes in how they do supervision.

d. *Updates*

Ms. Tiberio gave the following updates:

- Access to food for children who are on free and reduced lunches; those families will be getting a benefit of \$420 per child to cover the meal costs, whether they are on SNAP or not.
- They got notification from the state that they are hanging onto all their reimbursements including those from the Federal Government.

Supervisor Teed asked what the threshold for low income families to qualify. Ms. Tiberio said if they are eligible for free and reduces lunches in schools, they are eligible and will be distributed through SNAP.

OFFICE FOR THE AGING

a. *Updates*

Irene Coveny presented the following updates:

- They are still providing all their services by telephone; they are calling it tele case management.
- The kitchen is at capacity and are serving 120 more meals a day to older adults.
- New cases that need meals; they are using Mom's Meals contract.
- They are working with the County and Food Link on the community wide food distribution with Churches in Action and United Way joining into the partnership.
- They are having food distributions every Monday through August with today being in Geneva, next week in Canandaigua and then the following week in Clifton Springs at Wellspring Church. They will rotate the three locations. Registrations are being taken by the OFA.

Supervisor Daryl Marshall asked if there has been talking about a distribution location on the West side of the County.

Ms. Coveny said there is not; however, there is another location near Marcus Whitman, it is in Yates County, but Ontario County residents may go there. Ms. Coveny said they do deliveries as well. She offered to find out from Food Link if there is a location near Richmond. She also said they could potentially carve out boxes that come in, and may be able to arrange a delivery to a location in Richmond.

YOUTH BUREAU

Marsha Foote gave the following updates:

- She sent out to all the recipients of the Youth Awards, their awards with a personal letter signed by herself and Brian.
- She will continue to stay connected with all the agencies to make sure they are servicing our youth as best they can.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

a. **Resolution:** Approval of Administrative Agreement with the Finger Lakes Workforce Investment Board

Andrea McGraw presented a resolution for the administrative agreement with FLWIB.

Supervisor Rich Russell motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Supervisor Norm Teed. Motion carried.

b. **Resolution:** Authorization for Contract with the Finger Lakes Workforce Investment Board, Inc. for WIOA Title I Adult, Dislocated Worker and Youth Programs

Ms. McGraw presented a resolution to contract with FLWIB for adult, dislocated worker and youth programs to provide employment services.

Supervisor Norm Teed motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Supervisor Tammi Hicks. Motion carried.

c. **Resolution:** Endorsement of Reappointments to the Finger Lakes Workforce Development Board and Finger Lakes Workforce Investment Board, Inc. – J. Devault and M. Kauffman

Ms. McGraw presented two resolutions to reappoint four individuals to the Finger Lakes Workforce Development Board and the Finger Lakes Workforce Investment Board, Inc.; Jennifer DeVault and Michael Kauffman and who are from the private sector and Lynn Freid and Danielle Maloy who are from the public sector.

Supervisor Fred Wille motioned to approve the two resolutions as a block, seconded by Supervisor Norm Teed. Motion carried.

d. **Resolution:** Endorsement of Reappointments to the Finger Lakes Workforce Development Board and Finger Lakes Workforce Investment Board, Inc. – L. Fried and D. Maloy

Andrea McGraw noted they entered into a partnership with Wood Library. There will be online employment related webinars with the first one later this month; it is a resume class using Zoom.

VETERANS SERVICES

No items submitted.

FINANCE

Budget Adjustment Approvals:

Mary Gates presented budget adjustments for the following departments for 5% reductions in the current budget to address revenue shortfalls due to COVID19 Pandemic:

1. Public Health
2. Coroners
3. Mental Health
4. Office for the Aging
5. Social Services
6. Youth Programs
7. Community Development - WIOA
8. Veterans

Ms. Gates explained the total amount of budget actions across the county is just over \$1.5 MM. She reported that when it comes to the state aid, the state is withholding state aid from every department. She said there has been an announcement that there will be a percentage reduction which they have not heard what that is yet. She also said that the any of the money the state is withholding will be subject to the percentage reduction. Ms. Gates reported the state has received federal money for the enhanced map a couple of months ago and was supposed to be passed onto the counties. The state has not passed any of that money down to the counties.

Supervisor Russell asked if the reductions meant that the services will no longer be provided. Mary Gates explained that she has not been told by any department that they are eliminating any services. Much of the reductions has been from conference and training. Eileen Tiberio noted the only contract they eliminated was the individual who review the foster care cases and reducing some of their contract use. They are not eliminating their service provision.

Supervisor Rich Russell motioned to approve the budget transfers, seconded by Supervisor Norm Teed. Motion carried.

INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Updates

Brian Young gave the following updates:

- Continue to respond to the executive orders as they come out.
- The latest one is extended to July 6th.
- They expect that Governor may open the DMV a little bit more.
- Many departments continue to work by appointment.
- All departments have received a kit of gloves, sanitizing spray, goggles.
- Board of Elections needs election inspectors.

CHAIRMAN

Chairman Marren reported he has been involved with Congressman Reed reopening by phase process. Congressman Reed is supporting Congressman Collins district. He reported a number of counties has brought up the whole map and the withholding of the funds. He supports a resolution from Ontario County addressing the withholding

of the funds. Brian Young informed the Committee that the resolution was presented and adopted at the last Board meeting.

Mary Gates said this highlights the concern that many counties have about the stimulus packages that are being voted on. The one that seems to have support of the federal government is the one that does provide money to counties but provides that money through the state governor. Her concern is any stimulus money that comes through the state governor won't necessarily make it to the counties. She said there is one bill out there for payments directly to the counties.

NEXT MEETING DATE:

Monday, June 29, 2020, at 11:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Being there was no further business to come before the committee; a motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Norm Teed at 11:51 am, seconded by Supervisor Rich Russell. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Diane Foster, Deputy Clerk to
the Board

Approved