



**MINUTES
HEALTH AND MEDICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
August 17, 2016**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Todd Campbell
Pamela Helming
Margaret Hilton (Chair)
Norman Teed
Nathan VanBortel –*n/a
Frederick Wille
*n/a – necessarily absent

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mary Beer; Diane Johnston; Mary Krause; Brian Young;
Lorrie Scarrott; Sandy Seeber; Mary Gates;
Dr. Jessica Mitchell

Chairperson Hilton called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m. Supervisor VanBortel was declared necessarily absent.

1. **Approval of Minutes – July 27, 2016** – A motion to approve the July 27, 2016 meeting minutes was made by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Helming; carried.
2. **MENTAL HEALTH/SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES**
 - a. **Budget Review** – Diane Johnston reviewed the 2017/2018 budget proposal details and proposed changes.
A4310 Local Government Unit (LGU); A4310~400 (Clinic); A4311 (Other Local Government Unit) – This is the second year that the Mental Health Budget is structured into three programs. Additions to the budget include two new staff, who will in turn be generating revenue, a full time Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner has also been added which will provide improved continuity and quality care, and a consultant services contract with Mental Health Association of Rochester/Monroe County, Inc. which will fill the gap for the chronically mentally ill since the closing of the day treatment center a year ago.
A4390 Mental Hygiene – The expenses for the Mental Hygiene budget have gone down significantly, after years of increases to cover anticipated costs for court-ordered psychiatric hospitalizations. Funding is decreased as OCMH has been billed for significantly less court-ordered hospitalization in 2016. Discussion followed. A motion to approve the Mental Health budgets (A4310, A4310~400, A4311, A4390) was made by Supervisor Helming, seconded by Supervisor Campbell; carried.
 - b. **Resolution: Agreement to Receive Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment** – Diane Johnston presented the resolution to authorize the acceptance of an additional DSRIP Project payment in the amount of \$3,522 for participating in the FLPPS DSRIP Projects Period 2. Supervisor Helming made a motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Supervisor Campbell; carried.
 - c. **Resolution: Authorization for Contract Mental Health Association of Rochester/Monroe County, Inc.** – Diane Johnston presented the resolution to enter into a consultant service contract with Mental Health Association of Rochester/Monroe County, Inc. for services aimed at supporting recovering adults with serious mental illnesses by focusing on the concepts of self-help

and empowerment. Various services will be offered on a drop-in basis rather than formal mental health appointments. Facilities will be offered in-kind within the community. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Supervisor Teed, seconded by Supervisor Campbell; carried.

County Administrator Mary Krause applauded Ms. Johnston for pursuing this contract; it will be good for the community with the loss day treatment services.

- d. **NYSAC Informational Summary Regarding Heroin Addiction** – Ms. Johnston shared highlights from an informational summary she prepared for NYSAC highlighting Ontario County's efforts to battle the heroin epidemic including the efforts of the Partnership for Ontario County, Ontario County Jail, FLACRA, Public Health, Finger Lakes Council on Alcoholism, and Clifton Springs Hospital and Clinic. Supervisor Campbell suggested sharing the summary with The Conference of Local Mental Hygiene Directors. Supervisor Helming suggested putting PSA's produced by Canandaigua Academy students on the OCMH website. Discussion followed.
- e. **Mental Health/Substance Abuse Updates** – Diane Johnston provided the following updates:
- Child Psychiatry – Child Psychiatrist is resigning due to medical issues, an interview is scheduled on August 29 for the position. Rochester Regional continues to work with OCMH regarding staffing. There will be some good options to fill the position with a smooth transition.
 - Substance Free Clubhouses - are up and running across the county. Geneva sees 30-40 youth each Saturday evening, Canandaigua YMCA and the Never Alone Club in Bloomfield have had fits and starts.
 - Web site – updated this summer by an intern, kudos to her, it looks great. Mary Krause reports the intern has done a phenomenal job providing links to services, screening tools, maps, and RTS schedules.
 - Trolley Station – Mixed use and affordable housing in Canandaigua is up and running, the grand opening will be celebrated on September 15.

3. PUBLIC HEALTH

- a. **Budget Review** – Mary Beer provided the 2017/2018 budget proposals along with a memo providing an overall review of the changes. The budget has been organized into three different areas (Public Health, Coroners, and the Children with Special Needs Program).

Public Health with grants – Overall County contribution to the budget is going down \$81,294 due to staff retirements. There will be no accreditation costs, as they were incurred in 2016. Some minor equipment purchases have been budgeted for the department. Lead testing has been removed from the budget due to the cost of the solution which expires before it can all be used. Patients are able to have the testing done at a lab and insurance will be billed.

Coroners - Decrease of \$29,000 from last year as Public Health isn't experiencing both newly elected Coroners utilizing family health insurance.

Children with Special Needs Program – Increase of \$317,329 due to personnel services and fringe benefits, vehicle lease, transportation costs, education services, preschool software, and preschool Medicaid revenue decrease. Some additional revenue comes in the form of state aid and

Medicaid offset. Happiness House has been mandated by the state to open up two previously unused classrooms creating more transportation and school administration costs. Services continue to trend up due to more complex cases requiring more services. Similar increases are not projected for next year. Supervisor Campbell inquired whether there would be state aide to defray some of the new preschool transportation costs. State aide reimburses 59% of these costs, but will not offer additional funds to offset the new transportation costs. Discussion followed.

A motion to approve the Public Health budgets (A4010, A4017, A4020, A4021, A4042, A4050, A4046, A4058 and A4059) was made by Supervisor Teed, seconded by Supervisor Wille; carried.

- b. **Resolution: Authority to Renew Contract with Rochester Hearing and Speech Center, Children with Special Health Care Needs Program –PHCP** – Tabled until next meeting.
- c. **Resolution: Authority to Renew Contract with Rochester Hearing and Speech Center, Children with Special Needs Program (For Early Intervention and Preschool Programs)** – Mary Beer presented the resolution to renew an authorized service provider contract required for the provision of services required for the program. The contract is delayed due to the provider not signing and returning the contract or providing insurance in a timely manner. A motion to approve the contract was made by Supervisor Campbell, seconded by Supervisor Helming; carried.
- d. **Resolution: Authorization to contract with James McGuinness & Associates, Inc.** – Mary Beer presented the resolution for the Children with Special Needs Program to contract with James McGuinness & Associates to bill Medicaid for reimbursement of services provided for qualified Ontario County Preschool children. Supervisor Campbell inquired as to who would be processing Medicaid claims. They will be submitted by James McGuinness & Associates, Inc. through a clearing house. Staff will start training on the system this fall. By March 1, 2017 all claims will be submitted through the new software. A motion to approve the resolution with the correction of typographical errors was made by Supervisor Teed, seconded by Supervisor Campbell; carried.
- e. **Review Amended Public Health Law Section 1352-e Allowing companion dogs, under the control of a person, in outdoor dining areas at food establishments** - Ms. Beer reviewed the new Public Health Law with the committee prior to sharing with the full board of supervisors. Before distributing the new law to the full board as an informational item Supervisor Campbell suggested clarifying up front the difference between companion dogs and service dogs. Discussion followed.
- f. **Public Health Updates** – Mary Beer presented the following updates:
 - Happiness House Service Coordination – Clinical Associates of the Finger Lakes is picking up half of the ongoing service coordination cases that Happiness House is forgoing. OCPH is currently looking for a vendor to pick up more of the ongoing service coordination to fill the gap. In the event that an alternative can't be found, hours may be increased for a current Public Health employee.

- Blue Green Algae- Sandy Bottom Beach on Honeoye Lake has been closed due to blue green algae blooms(BGA). Ms. Beer informed the committee that the Public Health Department did send a Press Release notifying the public of the hazards of BGA. Discussion followed.

4. County Administrator

- a. FLHSA Funding Request** – The Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency is a state funded agency that has provided the county with data and analysis from time to time. They receive funding from some counties and are now requesting funding from Ontario County. Ontario County has contracted with FLHSA in the past for specific work and they do provide data and analysis for Ontario County in certain areas. Their work is appreciated. Ms. Beer noted that OCPH gives FLHSA in kind services by participating in meetings and regional work. Ms. Johnston noted their participation in DSRIP as another funding source. The recommendation at this time is not to offer funding, and to consider future requests. Supervisor Wille made a motion to deny funding at this time and inform FLHSA by letter from the County Administrator, seconded by Supervisor Campbell; carried.
- b. The Partnership for Ontario County Navigation Services** – The Partnership is adding navigation services within the community to serve county residents without a family resource center in their school district. These services will be run out of the Partnership's store front. Governmental Operations vetted a funding request for \$10,000 in 2016 and \$25,000 in the 2017 budget to fund these services. Supervisor Campbell inquired regarding in-kind funding for the Partnership. County Administrator Mary Krause reported that the county has provided in-kind work with the Partnership in the past and will in the future. Discussion followed. A motion of support for the funding was made by Supervisor Helming, seconded by Supervisor Wille; carried.

Being there was no further business to come before the committee, a motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Teed, seconded by Supervisor Campbell; carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:29 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicole Tillotson
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