

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

March 4, 2019

Committee members: Leslie Church, Vice Chair, Terry Button, Carlie Chilson, Bonnie Percy.

Absent: Ed Bronson

Others present: Bill Holgate, Jim Multer, Tim Dennis, Rick Willson, Connie Hayes, Nonie Flynn, Elden Morrison, Tim Cutler, Earle Gleason, Doug Paddock, Dan Banach, Deb Minor, Zach Housworth, Amy Miller, Katie Gosper, Phil Rouin.

Ed and Terry will sign the audit this month.

Minutes of the February meeting were approved as presented.

SOCIAL SERVICES: Amy Miller

Amy reviewed the following resolution and appointment that will be needed. The Committee approved.

- Amend Resolution 382-18
- Re-Appoint Shelby DeMity to the Yates County Youth Board

Amy reported Daniele Ward started today as the new DSS attorney. Amy has interviewed for the vacant Child Support Investigator position and an offer has been made. The three new children's services workers are in various stages of training.

Amy reported the Federal Government Shut Down continues to impact Food Stamp Benefits. All upstate benefits should be distributed on 3/1/19. Upstate benefits are usually issued between the 1st and 9th of each month, depending on the last number of the food stamp case number.

Amy reported she continues to house homeless individuals per the Code Blue regulations. Amy has begun the Homeless Services Plan and will continue to meet with Keuka Housing Council and other area providers to monitor the plan and to be able to report our data to the state.

Amy updated the Committee on the Family First Prevention Act (FFPSA). New York has requested a two year delay in implementation. FFPSA reforms federal financing to prioritize family based foster care over institutional care by limiting federal reimbursement for certain placements. It also incentivizes the use of prevention services by authorizing federal funding reimbursement for evidence based, time limited preventive services for a specific population to prevent foster care placement, support safety and permanency.

Amy reported Workforce Develop just finished the Career Navigator program which was a weeklong intensive job search planning course. There were 11 individuals that participated.

Amy updated the Committee Youth Bureau activity. All vouchers have been signed by the Treasurer and sent to NYS for reimbursement. All programs have returned their Program Annual Assessments and were sent to the state.

Contract renewals will be sent out and are due back by March 11th.

PUBLIC HEALTH: Deb Minor

Deb reported the Professional Advisory Committee meeting was held on Feb 20, 2019 for the fourth quarter to review the Quality Assurance/Quality Improvement activities and reports.

Deb reported in preparation for development of the 2019-2021 Community Health Improvement Plan for Yates County, a priority setting meeting has been scheduled for May 8, 2019 from 2:00 to 5:00 pm in the County Auditorium.

Deb reported NYSDOH continues to report widespread influenza illness across New York State. Locally we are starting to see an increase in the number of reported cases of flu.

Deb updated the Committee on the Midwifery Shortage. Discussions have continued with members of the Mennonite Community, Certified Nurse Midwives and Public Health staff. There are choices now available for women choosing to have a home birth attended by a licensed CNM.

Deb reported the process of updating the Public Health Asset Distribution Plan (PHAD) has begun and will be submitted to NYSDOH for their review later this month. Deb explained the department is in the process of preparing for the annual exercise required for the grant. The exercise will be conducted by all Finger Lakes local health department on April 4, 2019 and will test the ability to implement and use the PHAD.

COMMUNITY SERVICES:

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

- RESOLUTION: Amend Resolution 3-19
- RESOLUTION: Pay Bills Prior to Audit

Deb reported there were 3 reports received with regards to the SAFE Act and 1 was reported to DCJS.

George continues to work with the 1 AOT case.

Deb updated the Committee on the Crisis Intervention Training for Law Enforcement and sequential intercept mapping exercise.

Deb reported the Suicide Prevention Coalition of Yates County is planning for the annual walk and ongoing "Talk Saves Lives" training.

VETERANS: Philip Rouin

Phil reported on the various trainings that he attended. He will also be on vacation the week of April 1st.

Phil reviewed the projects and Veteran outreach that is being done.

Phil reviewed his Veteran Statistics which showed 303 services provided and 33 veterans were transported to various medical appointments.

Phil reviewed the upcoming Veteran related Community events, meetings and conferences.

PUBLIC DEFENDER: Katie Martens-Henderson

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

- Authorize the Chairman of the Legislature to sign contract extension form

Katie reviewed her statistical report which showed 353 active on going cases.

Katie updated the Committee on the Arraignments. For February there were 18 arraignments. Of these 18 cases 6 of them were cases involving unlicensed operators and 4 of the cases were failures to appear.

Katie reviewed the Centralized Arraignment Plan for the benchmark counties. Katie will send a copy of the report to the legislature.

Katie was asked to put a plan together on how she is handling the scheduling for Centralized Arraignment. Katie will work with Nonie on a plan.

Katie updated the Committee on the status of the grants.

OFFICE FOR THE AGING: Zachary Housworth

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

- Authorize the Chairman to sign the annual update review and approval for the Yates County Area Agency on Aging.

ACTING COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR: Nonie Flynn

Nonie reviewed the Project status report as it pertained to Human Services projects.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00pm