

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

June 7, 2021

Committee members: Leslie Church, Ed Bronson, Terry Button, Carlie Chilson, Dick Harper, Bonnie Percy

Others present: Jim Multer, Connie Hayes, Nonie Flynn, Tim Cutler, Pat Killen, Earle Gleason, Doug Paddock, Dan Banach, Annmarie Flanagan, Amy Miller, Phil Rouin, Zack Housworth

- Leslie and Ed will sign the audit this month
- Approve minutes of the May meeting
- Public Comment

PUBLIC HEALTH: Annmarie Flanagan

Annmarie reported on COVID-19, currently there are no active cases in the County and 2 are in isolation or quarantine. Staff continue with contract tracing, quarantine and isolation efforts. Annmarie explained that the Mennonite Community remains resistant to vaccinations.

Annmarie reported the department continues to work on Community Education regarding the importance of being vaccinated.

Annmarie discussed the possibility of obtaining an LED sign for the front of the County Office Building similar to the one at the High School. Annmarie explained Public Health is willing to take on the responsibility of programming the sign for educational and information outreach to the community. Annmarie stated that she has applied for a grant that could be used to pay for the sign.

Annmarie reviewed the following resolution that will be needed. The Committee approved.

- Resolution: Authorize Purchase Of An LED Sign For Informational Outreach

Annmarie reported she has a staff member who would be requesting 5 days off without pay as they have no time accrued. The Committee approved. Annmarie will talk with Kerry and have a resolution for Monday.

Annmarie reported Rabies Clinics continue. Annmarie explained that during the clinic the other half of the room is going to be used for a pop up vaccination clinic.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

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

George reported, the Yates Suicide Prevention Coalition is sponsoring the Yates County walk, which is now the Keuka Lake Out of Darkness Walk. The walk will be held on October 17, 2021 at the Keuka Lake State Park. Registration is at 12:45 p.m. and the event time is 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Online information can be obtained at afsp.donordrive.com.

George updated the Committee on the following programs; Yates INSYGHT, Crisis Intervention Training, HEALing Communities Study, Yates County Crisis Services Plan, Transitional Care Management/Adult Single Point of Accountability, Children's Single Point of Entry and the Yates Substance Abuse Coalition.

VETERANS: Philip Rouin

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

- Resolution – Recognition Of New York State Women Veterans On June 12, 2021

Phil updated the Committee on various trainings and events attended.

Phil reported there were 494 services provided last month with 19 veterans transported to medical appointments.

Phil reported on upcoming Veteran related events.

Phil reviewed the claims settled for the month.

OFFICE FOR THE AGING: Zachary Housworth

Zach reported EISEP services and IIIIE Caregiver respite are now forming wait lists due to the lack of aides. The Consumer Directed Care has formed a wait list due to all funds being allotted already. However, Zach received approval this morning to move \$40,000 from the Unmet Needs Funding to help cover Consumer Directed Care. This will not help anyone in the EISEP program because there are no aids but Zach expects it will clear the waiting list for Consumer Directed Care and Caregiver respite.

Zach reported NYSOFA is asking Zach to spend down the emergency funding they sent as soon as possible. Zach explained that his fiscal director will be working closely with him to move some of the expenses that have already been charged down to some of the other elements in the emergency line items.

SOCIAL SERVICES: Amy Miller

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

- Renew contracts with voluntary foster care agencies
- Renew contract with the Workforce Investment Board for WIOA funding
- Renew contract with Canandaigua Driving School
- Authorize contract with agencies for ERAP Outreach
- Allocate WIOA Funding
- WIOA Budget Transfer
- Renew Contract with Safe Harbors of the Finger Lakes

Amy reviewed a vacancy review form for an Account Clerk/Typist position that became vacant due to a resignation. The Committee approved the refilling of the position.

Amy reported as of June 1st the outreach for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) began. A sum of \$120,000 has been allocated for Yates County to provide outreach to eligible households and landlords to assist them in applying for rental arrears payments. The department has contracted with ProAction of Steuben and Yates, Inc., The Living Well, and Our Town Rocks to provide this service.

Amy reported as of June 2nd Social Services is housing 14 different cases in homeless housing, four of those are families.

Amy reported as of June 2nd there are 20 worksites and 20 youth enrolled in the Summer Youth Employment Program.

Amy reported entities that receive funding for summer programs from the Youth Bureau have all returned their program applications. Yates Community Center Elevate Youth, Kids Adventure Time, Town of Torrey Summer Rec. and Town of Jerusalem Summer Rec. are not renewing their applications.

Amy reported she will not be seeking reappointment to the FLACRA Board when her term ends in July.

Meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m.