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

Others present: Sara Christensen, Amy Miller, Phil Rouin, George Roets, Mary Perrin, Steve Hampsey, Doug Paddock, Nonie Flynn, Connie Hayes, Dan Banach, Earle Gleason, Tim Cutler, Pat Killen, Dianne Lovejoy.

Leslie and Carlie will sign the audit this month

Minutes of the June meeting were approved as presented.

PUBLIC HEALTH: Annmarie Flanagan

Annmarie could not attend the meeting, Deputy Director Sara Christensen reported in her absence.

Sara updated the Committee on COVID statistics. To date there have been 1,270 confirmed cases. There are no active cases at this time and there is no one in isolation or quarantine. There have been 25 deaths and 1,245 recoveries. The last positive case that was received was on June 28th and prior to that it was June 2nd.

Sara explained the testing numbers are on the lower end now since the long-term care employees no longer need to be tested weekly if they have been fully vaccinated. Public Health has hosted 106 clinics to date and given 7,057 COVID vaccinations. The clinics are slowing down now to less than 20 doses a week. Currently Yates County is 44% fully vaccinated. For the 18+, 57% of those individuals have received the first dose and for the 15+, 55% of those individuals have also received the first dose.

Sara updated the Committee on ELC Grant Funding for schools. The funding includes hiring on a temporary basis, 4 nurses to conduct COVID testing and screening for the next academic year. This includes Pre-K and grades K-12. Annmarie will update the Committee monthly.

Sara reported Public Health continues community outreach by social media posts and information set up at Gordmans’s.

Sara reported rabies calls are up. There was one positive raccoon since the last report.

Sara reported the SAY Network continues to search for a new Director.

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

- Amend Resolution 194-21
- Authorize Chairman To Sign Agreement With Theresa Lehman, Teacher Of The Visually Impaired
- Sign Amendment #2 With The Trustees of Columbia University In The City Of New York
- Amend Resolution No. 491-20
PUBLIC DEFENDER: Steve Hampsey
Steve reviewed his statistical report which showed there are 350 open cases to date.

Steve updated the Committee on where the various grants stand.

COMMUNITY SERVICES – George Roets
Mary Perrin, the HEALing Communities Study. Mary gave a brief presentation on what the HEALing Communities Study is. A copy of the presentation is attached at the end of these minutes.

George reported there were 3 reports received for the SAFE Act, none were reported to DCJS.

George updated the Committee on the following programs: Yates Suicide Prevention Coalition, Yates INSYGHT, Crisis Intervention Training, Yates County Crisis Services Plan, Transitional Care Management/Adult Single Point of Accountability, Children’s Single Point of Entry, and Yates Substance Abuse Coalition.

VETERANS: Philip Rouin
Phil reviewed his need for an Administrative Clerk/Veteran Transportation Coordinator (Part-Time) position. The consensus of the Committee was more information is needed.

Phil reviewed projects and trainings attended.

Phil reported there were 300 services provided and 22 veterans transported for medical appointments last month.

Phil reviewed upcoming events.

Phil reported on the claims settled.

OFFICE FOR THE AGING: Zachary Housworth
Zach could not attend the meeting but did submit a written report. Some highlights are below.

Office for the Aging has received 520 coupon booklets valued at $20 each for a total of $10,400 potential revenue coming to Yates County Farmer Markets. Tomion’s Farm Market and Yates County Co-op Farm & Craft Market are the only two certified Farmer Markets in Yates County.

EISEP/Home Care: There are currently 9 people on a waitlist needing PCI and 2 needing PCII services.

Transportation: There were 120 medical trips were provided to 29 individuals in May.

ASSIGNED COUNCIL ADMINISTRATOR – Dianne Lovejoy
Dianne reviewed her statistical report which showed 429 active cases at this time.

SOCIAL SERVICES: Amy Miller
Amy reviewed the following resolutions that would be needed. The Committee approved.
- Amend Resolution 232-21 Allocate WIOA Funding
- Workforce Investment Board Reappointments
- Youth Bureau appointments
Amy reported the Emergency Rental Assistance Program outreach started on June 1st. The Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance updatesAmy daily on the number of completed applications for rental and utility assistance. Currently there are 43 completed applications.

Amy reported waivers for the Eligibility Program are now over. Beginning August 1st districts may resume:

- In person employment assessments and mandatory in person work activity assignments,
- In person orientation, as long as social distancing guidelines are utilized, and proper safety and sanitation procedures are in place,
- Conducting assessments and developing employment plans via in person meetings
- Assignment to mandatory job search and job readiness activities.

Amy explain the pandemic prohibited the closing of public assistance cases for the usual reasons. Amy expects the caseload to go down now that the waivers have ended.

Amy reported the Yates County unemployment rate is 3.5 as of May.

Amy reported the Flexible Fund for Family Services amounts for 2021-2022 have been announced. Yates County’s allocation this year is $965,718, which is comparable to last year. Amy explained the district uses this funding for Child Welfare, Title XX, and employment funding. There is a percentage that we are required to spend on Child Welfare, this year that minimum is $347,864.

Amy reported all 2020 Youth Bureau funding has been receive from NYS, there was no withholding. New to the requests for funding this year is the Modeste Bedient Library.

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR: Nonie Flynn**

Nonie reported on the FOIL Request she did to the NYS Department of Health. The NYS Department of Health fulfilled her FOIL request for the reconciliation of our eFMAP (federal reimbursement for Medicaid) money. The county is owed $710,127 for NYS fiscal years 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20. The NYS Department of budget has not yet released a date when counties will receive their credit.

Nonie reviewed the Project Status Report as it relates to Human Services.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45p.m.
Yates HEALing Communities Study

What we have accomplished so far

Encourage treatment for people with opioid use disorder.

YHCS is participating in several community collaborations and determining where treatment education can be provided to residence through effective use of sharing resources among collaborations. YHCS/Flacra is aiding the Crisis Intervention Team in aiding in identifying individuals in need of services. Flacra/YHCS has increased the availability of agency Peer Advocates to Yates County to help obtain services for individuals in crisis through the agency’s Peer Advocate.

Reduce the stigma of opioid use disorder.

We are also increasing our presence in the community and adding additional community outreach and education activities in 2021. Flacra has visited several community agencies and provided information regarding agency programs. Flacra has also offered personnel “on demand” training to local government agencies.

Provide naloxone and learn how to use it.

YHCS is tracking community Naloxone training and increasing the number of trainings available to the public through outreach and virtual trainings. Onsite training has been offered to our community partners. All Flacra staff are in the process of becoming Naloxone Certified Trainers to allow for community training opportunities.

Developed a Database to track opioid overdose deaths in Yates County.

YHCS database consist of information provided to the study from a variety of sources including the Yates County Sheriff’s Department, Penn Yan Police Department, Yates County Public Health and Flacra. We continue to seek to collaborate with other resources to gather data.

Total overdoses = 28 1 overdose every 2 weeks (14 days)

Total OD fatalities = 7 1 out of 4 overdoses resulted death with an overdose rate of 1 death every 45 days.

Total # 911 OD calls = 21 1 emergency call every 17 days.

Total Narcan administered during OD = 4

As of May 2021, Yates has had a significant decrease in opioid overdoses and overdose death; however, an increase in amphetamine use is
being reported by all reporting entities, including Physicians, Emergency Medical staff, Counselors and Law Enforcement agencies. Collations members take the increased use in amphetamines seriously and are discussing how the community can respond with prevention and intervention measures—further discussion is needed.

![2021 Data Chart]

**Total overdoses = 8**  
**Overdose deaths = 1**

**Yates Healing Communities Study 2021**  
In 2021 YHCS will expand to include data from the Yates County Sheriff’s Office and Yates Public Health. And continued discussion regarding ODMaps. Future data will include Mental Health calls, 911 calls and other emergencies.

Through collaboration and partnerships, YHCS will aid in the creation of dashboards accessible to the public. We are also increasing our presences in the community and adding additional community outreach and education activities.

YHCS is developing strategies to increase treatment engagement and retention. Capital improvement projects in our facilities are also underway including the remodeling of the Penn Yan Clinic to provide for a more friendly environment for accommodate more families and youths.

Yates County will enter Wave 2 in July of 2021. In preparation for the study launch, YHCS and its Advisory Board participated in the annual NIH/Columbia University (NYHCS) survey. The results of that survey will be used to compare Yates County’s opioid response to those of other Heal communities. The NYHCS will play a bigger role in the YHCS the latter part of 2021. YHCS is in the process of getting “organized” and prepare for NYHCS intervention.