

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

November 4, 2019

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

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

Leslie and Carlie will sign the audit this month

Minutes of the October meeting were approved as presented.

COUNTY ATTORNEY: Scott Falvey

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

- Resolution To Authorize The Opting-Out Of The Negotiation Class Certified By The United States District Court In The Northern District Of Ohio In The Civil Action Entitled In RE National Prescription Opiate Litigation, MDL 2804

SOCIAL SERVICES: Amy Miller

Mollie Kennerson, Safe Harbors of the Finger Lakes gave a brief presentation on Sexual Exploitation of Youth in Yates County.

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

- Resolution Authorizing an Agreement With Ontario County
- Resolution for Workforce Development Budget Transfer
- Resolution Authorizing Commissioner of DSS to Fill Position (Social Welfare Examiner)

Amy reviewed a vacancy review form for a Social Welfare Examiner position that became vacant due to a resignation. The Committee approved the refill.

Amy reported HEAP season opens on November 12th. The income eligibility has changed slightly from the previous year.

2019-2020

2018-2019

HH Size	Tier 1	Tier 2	HH Size	Tier 1	Tier 2
1	0-1,353	1,354-2,494	1	0-1,315	1,316-2,391
2	0-1,832	1,833-3,262	2	0-1,783	1,784-3,127
3	0-2,311	2,212-4,030	3	0-2,251	2,252-3,863
4	0-2,790	2,2791-4,797	4	0-2,719	2,720-4,598
5	0-3,268	3,269-5,565	5	0-3,187	3,188-5,334
6	0-3,747	3,748-6,332	6	0-3,655	3,656-6,070
7	0-4,226	4,227-6,476	7	0-4,123	4,124-6,208
8	0-5,184	5,185-6,764	8	0-4,591	4,592-6,346

A household is categorically income eligible (Tier 1) if at least one member of the HEAP household is in receipt of recurring Family Assistance, Safety Net, SNAP, or Code A SSI Benefits.

Benefits

Benefit	2019-2020	2018-2019
Fuel		

	Base Benefit	Base Benefit
Oil, Kerosene, Propane	\$675	\$675
Wood, Pellets, Coal, Corn	\$525	\$525
Natural Gas, PSC Regulated Utilities, Municipal Electric	\$350	\$350

Amy reported the SkillUp Yates training was renewed for another year. There were over 1,100 enrollments and over 1,600 courses completed.

Amy reported Career Day served 135 10th graders and introduced them to 8 industries and 30 career pathways in Yates County.

Amy reviewed the Youth Recreation programs and the following stats:
Numbers are gathered from 2019 renewal applications and 2018 final reports.

Municipality	Total Budget (2019 request)	Amount from YB	Youth Served
(2018)			
Penn Yan	\$28,186	\$3,100	68
Dundee	\$9,004.92	\$2,600	44
Jerusalem	\$16,500	\$3,100	77
Middlesex (swim only)	\$2,400	\$900	20
Torrey	\$5,500	\$900	NA
Rushville (library-Summer only)	\$1,745	\$800	40
Dundee (library-Year long)	\$19,900	\$1,400	396

Amy reported all the Youth Bureau contracts are finalized and have been returned from the County Attorney. The Resource Allocation Plan has been submitted to the State and she is waiting on approval.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES: Deb Minor

Deb reported the Annual Mandatory In-service training for 2019 will be held at the Dundee American Legion on the afternoon of December 4th with all staff from Yates County Public Health and Schuyler County Public Health attending. Schuyler will be providing lunch.

Deb reported she is working on the 2018 Licensed Home Care Services Agency Statistical Report which is due November 16th.

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

- Resolution For Allocating Unrestricted Resources To Local Health Departments To Fortify Provision Of Core Public Health Services And Prepare For Implementation Of Expanded Public Health Mandates.

Deb reported on influenza activity. Flu activity for the week ending October 19th was sporadic in New York State. There were 96 laboratory confirmed cases in the state and 1 reported pediatric death. Most of the surrounding counties have had confirmed cases Yates County has had no confirmed cases at this time.

Deb reported on the status of emergency orders banning flavored e-cigarettes. To date there have been no further decisions about the emergency orders issued by New York State and the restraining order.

At the beginning of the Dundee and Penn Yan School Districts a survey on e-cigarettes and vaping was completed by 132 respondents with the following results:

- 33.33% (44) indicated that they have used e-cigarettes, a Vape pen or JUUL in the past year.
- 73.48% (97) indicated that they think there is “moderate” or “great risk” to those who use an e-cigarette, Vape pen or JUUL.
- 52.27% (69) indicated that it would be “sort of easy” or “very easy” to obtain these products.

The results of this survey are being shared with the members of YSAC and with the regional coalition to address vaping in our youth.

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

- RESOLUTION: Authorize agreement with Columbia University

Deb reported there were 5 reports for the SAFE Act and 1 was reported to DCJS.

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

- Authorize Chairman To Sign Services Agreement For Collaborative Research (Columbia University)

Deb reported with regards to the Changing the Culture Project, the Youth Mental Health First Aid Trainings (YMHFA) has been planned for November.

Deb reported with regards to the Suicide Prevention Coalition of Yates County, a Suicide Loss Day is scheduled for 11/23/19 at noon at the American Legion post 2001, Himrod Rd, Penn Yan.

Deb updated the Committee on the Systems of Care, Crisis Intervention Training (CIT), and the Outpatient Mental Health Services for Children programs.

Deb reported on CHASE Research Grant. The grant is nearing implementation in Yates County. George will be meeting with a representative for Columbia next week to help with a work plan, needed resources, time table etc. Discussions with FLACRA the designated Hub for the study in Yates are under way.

PUBLIC DEFENDER: Katie Gosper

Katie reviewed her statistical report which showed 47 active cases year to date.

Katie updated the Committee on the status of various grants.

Katie reported her office will be hosting a Bail Reform Continuing Legal Education training which will be held in December. Katie is working on finalizing a date.

Katie reviewed the following resolutions that would be needed. The consensus of the Committee was to not move forward with the resolutions.

- Resolution to amend Resolution 362-19
- Resolution to amend Resolution 363-19

VETERANS: Philip Rouin

Phil reviewed the ongoing projects.

Phil reported there were 302 services provided last month with 15 Veterans transported to various medical appointments.

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

Phil reported he has been asked by various veterans if a push button could be installed to open the door as it is too difficult for some. Phil talked with Joe Reed and the cost would be approximately \$3,000. Phil was asked to look at possible alternatives for now.

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

- Resolution to grant unpaid leave (P. Rouin)

Phil reviewed the claims settled for the month.

OFFICE FOR THE AGING: Zachary Housworth

Zach reported Terri is reaching out to Central Garage about the possibility of them performing basic maintenance on OFA vehicles if they have the capacity to do so. She is also contacting the Penn Yan Academy bus garage to see if a bay in the garage could be used one day a month for vehicle cleaning.

Zach reported the Thanksgiving dinner will be at 4pm on 11/19/19 at the Penn Yan First Baptist Church. There is an 80 person limit for seating, but take outs to anyone that is interested will be offered. The signup deadline is 11/12/19. Also, the Christmas dinner will be a 4pm on 12/17/19 at the Penn Yan Baptist Church. There is an 80 person limit for this also and take outs will also be offered. The deadline for signups is 12/9/19. For individuals over 60 there is no cost, under 60, a donation of \$7.00 is recommended.

Zach reported on the corrective action plan for the Nutrition Program.

Zach reported NYSOFA has given him further instructions on the unmet needs funding. Zach is being told that the \$46,000 for the ESIP is to be budgeted at the same or higher level for the next 4 years. Zach is not comfortable with this as it seems to be a moving target.

ACTING COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR: Nonie Flynn

Nonie reviewed the project status as it relates to Human Services.

Meeting adjourned at 5:32 p.m.