

Public Health Committee Minutes
March 7, 2016 – 4:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Grattidge; Supervisors Collyer, Congdon, Martin, Szczepaniak, Tollisen and Wright; Chad Cooke, Deputy Administrator; Kathy Duncan, Public Health; Michael Prezioso, Mental Health.

Chairman Grattidge called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

On a motion made by Mr. Szczepaniak, seconded by Mr. Martin the minutes of the February 8, 2016 meeting were approved unanimously.

Mr. Tollisen said he is a member of the NYS Association of Counties Alliance for Donations Task Force to increase donation awareness across the state. He said they are trying to do a number of initiatives throughout the year to increase organ awareness. In April they will provide a kit that will contain a flag and additional promotional material, asking that the flag be flown over the county seat for the month of April in an effort to increase organ donation awareness.

A motion was made by Mr. Tollisen, seconded by Mr. Szczepaniak proclaiming April as Organ Donation Awareness Month. Unanimous.

Mr. Prezioso requested approval of a contract amendment with Transitional Services Association, providing management care services and residential care services. He said currently there is aid to fund four of the beds; however, up to this time Transitional Services has only needed two beds. Recently; however, one more individual has been identified as needing this kind of service.

A motion was made by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Collyer to amend a contract with Transitional Services Association to bring the total number of available beds from two to three. Unanimous.

Mr. Prezioso requested a resolution to accept State Aid funds made available by the Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services who have made arrangements with the Albany Diocesan School Board. He said the school board was identified as a recipient of a grant in the amount of \$27,000 to provide prevention education in Catholic School classrooms in the county.

A motion was made by Mr. Szczepaniak, seconded by Mr. Tollisen to approve the acceptance of additional State Aid in the amount of \$27,000 for pass through to the Albany Diocesan School Board. Unanimous.

Mr. Prezioso requested a resolution to accept one time startup funding in the amount of \$25,000 that has been made available to the Office of Mental Health for Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services.

A motion was made by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Szczepaniak to accept one time startup funding in the amount of \$25,000. Unanimous.

Mr. Prezioso announced that a Train the Trainer Session will be held on March 31st at the Mental Health Center. This is provided by the Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services to further the designation as an Opioid Overdose Prevention Program.

A motion was made by Mr. Collyer, seconded by Mr. Szczepaniak to approve the Train the Trainer program provided by the Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services to further designate an Opioid Overdose Prevention Program in the county. Unanimous.

Mr. Prezioso said there will be an “Evening of Healing”, at Our Lady of Grace Church in Ballston Lake, on April 12th from 6pm to 8pm. He said there will be a community education forum panel discussion, which he will be a part of, to discuss what to do in terms of responses to suicide.

A motion was made by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Collyer in support of community education with regard to suicide prevention. Unanimous.

Mrs. Duncan requested a resolution to change the name of the Saratoga County Public Health Nursing Service to Saratoga County Public Health Services. She said effective at the close of business on March 21, 2016 the agency will no longer be recognized as a Certified Home Health Agency.

A motion was made by Mr. Collyer, seconded by Mr. Szczepaniak to approve a name change from the Saratoga County Public Health Nursing Service to the Saratoga County Public Health Services. Unanimous.

Mrs. Duncan requested a resolution to accept a multi-year agreement with the NYS Department of Health for the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program grant funds in the amount of \$188,305. She said that \$38,745 had already been budgeted, and what was given for the first year is \$37,661, resulting in a shortfall of \$1,084; therefore a budget amendment will need to be made.

A motion was made by Mr. Szczepaniak, seconded by Mr. Martin to accept a multi-year agreement with the NYS Department of Health for the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program and to amend the budget thereto. Unanimous.

On a motion made by Mr. Szczepaniak, seconded by Mr. Collyer the meeting was approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Sansom