



Health & Human Services Committee

Tuesday, October 1, 2024 3PM
40 McMaster Street, Ballston Spa, NY

Minutes

Present: Chairman Diana Edwards; Committee Members Joe Grasso, John Lant, Ian Murray, Scott Ostrander, Tom Richardson, Angela Thompson.

Chairman of the Board Philip Barrett; Steve Bulger, Ridge Harris, Stephanie Hodgson, Matt Rose, Christine Rush, County Administrator; George Conway, Kate Kelly, County Attorney; Daniel Kuhles, Public Health; Michael Prezioso, Mental Health & Addiction; Patrick Maxwell, Social Services.

Chairwoman Edwards called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

On a motion made by Mr. Murray, seconded by Mrs. Thompson, the minutes of the September 3, 2024 meeting were approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Lant, seconded by Mr. Richardson, to authorize accepting additional aid from the New York State Office of Mental Health for cost of living adjustments, amending Resolutions 296 - 2021 and 201 - 2023, and amending the 2024 County budget in relation thereto. Unanimous.

This aid is in the amount of \$53,687.

A motion was made by Mr. Grasso, seconded by Mr. Ostrander, to authorize amending an agreement with the Saratoga County Sheriff's Office to include State funded cost of living increases for Transitional Management Services and amending the 2024 County budget in relation thereto. Unanimous.

This is a 2.84% cost of living increase.

A motion was made by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Lant, to authorize ongoing Mental Health Service Provider contracts for 2025-2027. Unanimous.

These renewal agreements will begin January 1, 2024 and run through December 31, 2027.

A motion was made by Mr. Lant, seconded by Mrs. Thompson, to authorize amending the MOU between the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services and the Sheriff's Office for the provision of school-based Certified Recovery Peer Advocates. Unanimous.

This amendment will allow the Sheriff's Office to compensate Captain Community Human Services for hiring the school-based Certified Recovery Peer Advocates. Opioid settlement funding will be used for this program.

A motion was made by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Murray, to authorize accepting additional Child Care Block Grant program funding from the Office of Children and Family Services and amending the 2024 County budget in relation thereto. Unanimous.

This funding is in the amount of \$1,268,058.

On a motion made by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Grasso, the meeting was adjourned unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Bridget M. Rider, Deputy Clerk of the Board