

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Health & Human Services

The regular meeting of the Health & Human Services Committee was held in the Legislative Conference Room, Tuesday, January 3, 2023, at 9:30am.

Present:

Mr. William Standinger	Chair of the Committee
Mr. Dennis Mullen	Legislator
Mr. Tracy Monell	Legislator
Mr. Jake Brown	Legislator
Ms. Lori Morgan	Director of Community Services
Mr. Chris Korba	Director of Administrative Services – MH
Mr. Shawn Yetter	Commissioner of Social Services
Mr. Gary Grant	Deputy Commissioner of Social Services
Ms. Heather Vrooman	Deputy Public Health Director
Mr. Denis McCann	Director of Administrative Services – PH

Guests:

Ms. Cathy Haskell	Legislative Clerk
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Legislator Standinger asked for a motion to approve the December 6, 2022, HHS Committee minutes as written. Motion made. Seconded. Motion carried.

MENTAL HYGIENE

1. Financial

Mr. Korba stated 75% of local shares were spent during 2022. There is 367,000 available local return. \$316,000 expenses that have not been paid. Overall, a nice return of local shares.

2. Old Business

- Criminal Psych – No new orders.
- OASAS Grant – Waiting for approval

3. New Business

None.

4. Personnel

- Retirement of Christine Fay, Senior Clinical Social Worker effective January 17, 2023.

5. Resolutions: Legislators approved resolutions.
 - Renew contract with Tompkins/Seneca Tioga BOCES for the purpose of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention. January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023.
 - Allocate additional state aid funding for Alcohol & Substance Abuse Prevention contracted with Tompkins/Seneca Tioga BOCES.
 - Allocate additional state aid funding for Alcohol & Substance Abuse Prevention contracted with Trinity.
 - Recognition of Christine Fay's 19 years of service.
6. Proclamations
None.

PUBLIC HEALTH

1. Financial
Mr. McCann noted the available budget that is showing on the report does not reflect the final report for 2022. Will be receiving expected State Aid revenue.
2. Old Business
None.
3. New Business
Noteworthy items forwarded with the Agenda included:
 - \$25,000 was awarded to Village of Candor and Candor School District through Creating Healthy Schools & Communities Grant.
 - Narcan Emergency Box was installed in main entrance of the HHS building.
 - Holiday resource guide and County Cookbooks were distributed.
4. Personnel
None.
5. Resolutions: Legislators approved resolution.
 - Appoint Heather Vrooman to interim Public Health Director effective January 11, 2023.
6. Proclamations
None.

SOCIAL SERVICES

1. Financial

Mr. Grant stated Foster Care has steadied. Safety Net and Case Assistance are down. The x-ray machine at HHS has been replaced. Warrants a flashing light to security to indicate an object need more thorough examination.

2. Old Business

None.

3. New Business

- Caseload numbers were not available for this meeting. Updated numbers will be included in next month's Committee Meeting.
- The Tioga Career Center reports unemployment is still below State & Federal rates. They are currently working on upcoming job fairs.

4. Personnel

- Jade Relyea promoted to AAll effective 12/5/22
- Casey Yelverton promoted to Sr. Caseworker effective 12/5/22
- Donna Corbin hired as Case Supervisor Grade B effective 12/19/22
- Andrea Gleason hired as a Caseworker effective 12/19/22
- Karlee Howell's last day as Office Specialist I effective 12/21/22

5. Resolutions: Legislators approved resolutions.

- Amend Resolution 286-22 to create and fill Seasonal SWE & OSI positions for the HEAP program.
- Authorize salary above CSEA Base for Donna Corbin, Case Supervisor Grade B.

6. Proclamations

Human Trafficking Awareness Month

Health & Human Services Committee Meeting adjourned at 9:56am