

Present: Legislators Young, Clattenburg, Deleo, Hilchey, Also Present: Legislators Bausch, Torrey, Legislature Clerk Pamela LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Human Resources Director Anita Cleveland, County Attorney Kevin Earl, Veterans Director Bill Joyce, Health Director Paul Pettit, Brian Quinn-The Daily News

Human Services Chair Young called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm in the Legislative Conference Room at the Old Courthouse.

Chair Young temporarily appointed Legislator Hilchey to the Human Services Committee in place of Legislator Dibble.

Minutes of the December 3, 2018 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Public Health Director Paul Pettit stated that Board member Paul Grout's term expired December 31, 2018 and he is interested in reappointment. Mr. Grout is a pharmacist and offers another perspective from that of the several doctors who serve on the board and he serves as chair of the Health Board. The term length is January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2024. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit requested approval of a contract renewal with Monroe County for forensic pathology services. He explained that test results are returned in two or three weeks, a much quicker turn-around time than other labs. Contract expenses for \$80,700 have been appropriated in the 2019 budget. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit explained his request for a contract with Venesky and Company for professional accounting and auditing services for the Health Department's Diagnostic and Treatment Center. The contract period runs through December 31, 202. Expenses related to the contract are reimbursable up to 100% through Article 6 State Aid. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit explained that Department staff applied for grant funds to support Hepatitis A outreach and vaccination. Their application to the Food & Drug Administration was selected for funding in the amount of \$15,100. This was referred to Way & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit stated the Health Department was notified of a \$2,750 successful grant application to the Association of Food and Drug Officials administered by the Food and Drug Administration. The Department has secured this grant in the past. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit described another grant award from the Retail Standards Grant Program administered by the Food & Drug Administration for \$1,425. This funding is earmarked for use with temporary event kits and educational materials. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit requested approval of a contract with Larissa Cox of Warsaw to provide related services in the Preschool supportive health services program. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit requested approval of a resolution to correct dates in a previous resolution that authorized a contract with NMS Labs for forensic pathology and death investigation services. The previously approved resolution approved the contract term of May 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 however the correct term is May 1, 2018 through April 30, 2020. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit explained that the Health Department would like to continue to obtain Tuberculosis Control Program services offered by Monroe County. NYS Public Health Law requires the County to ensure direct clinical TB services. Expenses related to the contract with Monroe County are eligible for full reimbursement under Article 6. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit requested approval of a contract with Batavia City School for related services in the Preschool Supportive Health Services program. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit explained the need for a contract with the Center for Handicapped Children, Inc. for the provision of special education itinerant teacher services, classroom services and evaluator services. He further explained there are new program participants with specialized needs and services. This requires contracts with multiple service providers. They are typically looking to expand their list of service providers to accommodate the growing need. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit explained his request for a contract with Priority Medical Billing to provide third party billing to the Health Department. Expenses related to this contract are eligible for state aid reimbursement. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

County Manager Jay Gsell stated the Intake Clerk in the Veterans Services Department requested a desk audit of her position. It was determined that the position be reclassified to a secretary

position due to some of the work duties. Human Resources Director Anita Cleveland described how the duties extend beyond the scope of an Intake Clerk. Responsibilities increase when the director is out of the office therefore she is performing duties of a secretary. The hourly wage increase is .40/hour. The effective date will be February 13, 2019 at a cost of \$969 which includes social security and Medicare tax and retirement contributions. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

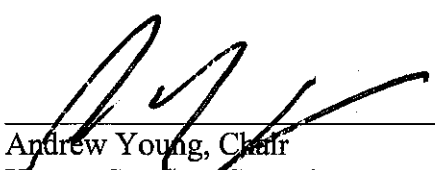
Veterans Director Bill Joyce provided a reply to the question of progress/status of the National Cemetery in Pembroke. Mr. Joyce stated bids received came in too high and they are re-bidding. Veterans may apply to be buried there including those already deceased. Spouses can apply on behalf of the deceased.

Mr. Gsell presented a resolution on behalf of the Office for the Aging. The rate for meal service for home delivered and congregate meals has increased. An agreement amendment is requested with VNA Homecare Options LLC to allow for reimbursement at the new, higher rate. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. Gsell presented a request for an agreement amendment with iCircle Services to increase the rate of reimbursement for home delivered and congregate meal reimbursement. Home delivered meals are increasing from \$9.25 to \$11.75 and congregate meals from \$8.25 to \$11.25. This reimbursement is for Medicaid-funded home delivered and congregate meal agreements. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the Human Services Committee is March 4, 2019.

The meeting adjourned at 4:49 pm upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.



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Andrew Young, Chair  
Human Services Committee  
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