

Present In-Person: Legislators Torrey, Deleo, Hawley, Also Present: Legislators Yunker, Dibble, Legislature Clerk Pamela LaGrou, County Manager Matt Landers, Asst. County Manager Tammi Ferringer, County Attorney Kevin Earl, IT Deputy Director Melanie Inda, Mental Health Director Lynda Battaglia, Mental Health Administrative Officer Lynnell Schriber, Mike Pettinella-The Batavian

Present via ZOOM videoconferencing: Committee Member Klotzbach, Legislator Clattenburg, Legislator Stein, Public Health Director Paul Pettit, OFA Director Diana Fox, Human Resources Director Anita Cleveland, IT Director Steve Zimmer, GO ART! Director Gregory Hallock

Chair Gregg Torrey called the meeting to order at 4:30pm in the Legislature Chambers and on ZOOM video conference.

Minutes of the February 1, 2021 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Hawley, carried unanimously.

Office for the Aging Director Diana Fox requested approval of an amendment to their agreement for Aging in Mastery Program extension. She explained that due to the pandemic, the program was being extended. There is no budget impact since the original funds were not expended. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Hawley, carried unanimously.

Ms. Fox requested approval of a one-year extension to the agreement for nutritional services. The original RFP with the consultant nutritionist Ellen Foster included the option of 4-one year renewals, this is the fourth. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Klotzbach seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Ms. Fox explained that two Sr. Client Services Outreach assistants had a review by Human Resources and it was determined they were performing work outside the current job classification. She is requesting a salary schedule amendment that will change these two employees from Grade 9 to Grade 13 Aging Services Caseworker. She further explained the responsibilities included more in-depth assessments that were often conducted in a client's home as well as referrals to services. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Klotzbach, carried unanimously.

Mental Health Director Lynda Battaglia explained that Genesee County is the lead agency in the Value Based Payments Readiness Program and as such has been designated as the holder of funds for Integrity Partners. The \$1,100,000 in State Aid for Integrity Partners was not accounted for the 2021 Budget and she is requesting a budget amendment. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Hawley, carried unanimously.

Health Director Paul Pettit requested approval of a reappointment to the Board of Health. Dr. Thomas Madejski has been serving and is interested in reappointment to a full term which goes through December 31, 2026. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for

placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Klotzbach seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit explained the Health Department has received notification from the New York State Department of Health indicating that the Genesee County's Immunization Action Plan contract has been approved in the amount of \$25,651.20. The contract period is April 1, 2021-March 31, 2022. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hawley seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit requested approval of contracts with new providers of pre-school supportive health services programs. These services qualify for NYS reimbursement at the rate of 59.5 less Medicaid payments. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Hawley, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit requested a budget amendment to allow the county to receive & expend funds for COVID-19 Flu Immunization expenses. The 2021 budget will be increased by \$13,566 which is offset by federal revenue. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hawley seconded by Legislator Klotzbach, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit commented that after several weeks of flat, low amounts of vaccine, the county is seeing an increase. More details will be forthcoming pertaining to the tri-county request for a mass vaccination clinic at GCC. COVID-19 testing is still available on Tuesdays at the Fire Training Center.

GO ART! Executive Director Gregory Hallock provided his department review and shared some of the difficulties faced in 2020 due to the pandemic. Operations were ceased including construction work that had begun. Staffing was reduced after the PPP funds were used. Picnic in the Park was held virtually. His goal is to be reopened in September 2021. Decentralization grants were announced allowing for the funding of local artists and groups and they are applying for and receiving new grant funding. The facility was used by other non-profits for purposes such as storing emergency food for food distributions. Over 16,000 art kits were distributed to youth in Genesee and Orleans Counties.

County Manager Matt Landers presented a resolution authorizing the County agreement with GO ART! for the year 2021 for \$6,500. The amount has remained flat since 2018. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Klotzbach, carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the Human Services Committee is Monday, April 5, 2021 at 4:30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 5:05pm upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Hawley, carried unanimously.

*Gregg Torrey approved 4-5-21*

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Gregg Torrey, Chair  
Human Services Committee  
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