

Present: Legislators Young, Deleo, Maha, Torrey, Also Present: Legislators Hilchey, Dibble, Yunker, Stein, Clattenburg, Legislature Clerk Pamela LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Asst. County Manager Matt Landers, County Attorney Kevin Earl, Mental Health Director Lynda Battaglia, DSS Commissioner Dave Rumsey, OFA Director Diana Fox, Public Health Director Paul Pettit, Deputy Director Sarah Baldauf, Brian Quinn-The Daily News, Howard Owens-The Batavian

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

Minutes of the February 3, 2020 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Maha carried unanimously.

DSS Commissioner Dave Rumsey requested approval of a contract renewal with Rapiscan Systems for the provision of service to magnetometer scanner equipment. The renewal period is January 1-December 31, 2020 with anticipated expenses of \$5,955. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Mental Health Director Lynda Battaglia explained there was a clerical error with resolution no. 51 therefore she is requesting it be rescinded and reintroduced with corrected numbers. The resolution calls for the elimination of an intake clerk and creation of a clinical therapist. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

OFA Director Diana Fox requested approval of a contract renewal for registered dietitian services. This is the same dietitian used by OFA in past years. Contract period is April 1, 2020 thru March 31, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$14,976 annually. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Ms. Fox explained that March for Meals is an annual celebration of collaboration of community organizations to bring attention to nutritional needs of older adults. In 2019 she reported there were 22,838 home delivered meals. The meals-on-wheels program provides contact with a volunteer, a face-to-face “check” at the time of delivery and balanced nutritional meals to shut-ins and the elderly. A photo op is scheduled for March 17 between 10:30-10:45-anyone available is encouraged to attend. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Public Health Director Paul Pettit reviewed a summary of his department review. See below. Mr. Pettit also discussed a new certified food handler training requirement that will be rolled out beginning next month. He explained that New York will eventually drop the Sanitary Code and adopt the US Food & Drug Administration model food code which requires the person in charge of a food service operation become a certified food protection manager. The training is educational and provides operators with knowledge of proper food safety practices. There will be

a fee for the certification. Other local counties including Livingston, Cattaraugus and Chautauqua enforce a required training program.

Mr. Pettit explained that Genesee County Health Department scored 100% reporting compliance during their performance period and has been awarded \$21,774 in funds to use to support costs associated with article 6 eligible services. This was approved for placement on the next legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit requested a budget item transfer of \$40,000 from *personal services* to *contracted-other* for the Weights & Measures program. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit stated the Health Department received notification the Lead Immunization Action Plan contract was approved in the amount of \$31,050 and he is requesting the County accept the funds to be used to support local immunization action plan. This was approved for placement on the next legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit requested permission to enter an agreement with Viken Detection to purchase products not to exceed \$21,540. All expenses associated with this contract will be reimbursed by the HUD Lead Hazard Grant. This was approved for placement on the next legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit requested approval of a contract for the provision of services to eligible children in the Preschool Supportive Health Services Program. This contract is for the period of February 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. These services qualify for NYS reimbursement at the rate of 59.5% less any Medicaid payment on Medicaid eligible children. This was approved for placement on the next legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit requested acceptance of a grant from the Association of Food and Drug Officials in the amount of \$2,650 to be used for travel expenses for staff to attend the FDA seminar. This was referred to the Ways & Means Committee with a recommendation for placement on the next legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit requested approval of a contract renewal with Monroe County for Tuberculosis Consultative and educational services at a rate of \$200 per hour for physician consults and \$50 per hour for RN consults. This was approved for placement on the next legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit requested approval of a contract renewal with Priority Medical Billing for the provision of third party billing services to the Health Department. Contract period is January 1-

December 31, 2020. This was approved for placement on the next legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit stated a proclamation has been requested for National Public Health Week which is set for April 6-12. The proclamation will be presented at the March 25, 2020 Legislature meeting.

GO ART! Executive Director Gregory Hallock reviewed highlights of the GO ART! department review. They have increased programs and participation and have operated in the black for the second year in a row. He attributes the financial turnaround to doing the work of multiple staff. They continue to participate in the De-centralization re-grant program that annually funds many diverse groups throughout the county. He stated that owning the building is a benefit and a liability since it is historic and requires upkeep and repairs in alignment with historic preservation. An application will be submitted to the Ralph C. Wilson Foundation for the cultural garden they hope to build and establish.

County Manager Jay Gsell presented a resolution for a funding agreement with GO ART! for \$6,500 for the promotion of music and art appreciation in Genesee County. This is the same amount as last year. This was approved for placement on the next legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the Human Services Committee is Monday, March 30, 2020 at 4:30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 5:28 pm upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Andrew Young, approved on 3/30/2020

Andrew Young, Chair
Human Services Committee
Submitted 3/4/20 phl

Health Department Summary

Currently GCHD remains stable with consistent/improved fiscal and programmatic position over past years. Continuing drivers – new underfunded mandates, fluctuating changes to article 6, CJS project with Orleans County and continual EI/Pre K changes and uncertainty, emerging issues, performance incentive funding.

Admin / Article 6 / Fiscal Drivers – Article 6 - Flat funded - \$650,000 (full service LHD), NYSACHO lobbying for 100k increase in base funding, performance incentive funding changes - \$22,500 (2020), Lead level to 5 mg/dL, Adult use marijuana – education/oversight considerations, Preschool Transportation. Proposed language to allow changes in aid and other cuts mid-year if revenue isn't at a projected level.

CJS with Orleans County

- 7.5 years into CJS relationship
- 6 shared admin, 1 SC, 1 EP assistant, W&M, common BOH, driving integration, best practices
- Staffing agreement – utilizing staff across boarder – cross training, competencies, synergy
- Over \$1,000,000 realized from CJS (with six figure re-occurring annual savings)
- Finalizing/implementing joint strategic, quality improvement and workforce development plans
- Branding/Marketing/Web site redesign
- National Accreditation (PHAB) – In process, formally working on accreditation – 2021 goal
- Explore expanding formal CJS agreements with contiguous counties for greater depth/redundancy
- Recent expansion of CJS agreement to include Wyoming County Health Department

CHA / CHIP / Education

- Updated Assessment / work plan submitted to State in 12/19 – Chronic Disease, promote MH and prevent substance abuse
- Joint 3 County Plan - Working with community partners and health systems
- Heroin/opioid taskforce, Get Fit, diabetes, tobacco use, CSP program - Cancer screenings / education
- PHAP associate – here through October 2020, Re-applying for new PHAP in October

Environmental / PH nursing

- Peer Teams, aligning P&P where appropriate, Radon Grant – ending Summer 2020
- Septic Replacement Program – 10 home owners with \$53,655.73 reimbursed, through 2022
- Leverage Technology – implementing Unmanned Aerial Aircraft utilization (Drones) for Public Health, GIS mapping
- GO Health Sanitary Code alignment – food training requirements - proposal
- Partnering with local services for STD testing/treatment
- Partnering with Monroe County TB clinic (tele medicine)
- VFA in the Jail, rapid HIV/Hep C testing
- Migrant health program (TB, immunizations, screenings) – partner with Orleans County
- Kresge Foundation program – telehealth, Chief Health Strategist role transformation

PH Emergency Preparedness

- Emerging issues – EBOLA, Legionnaires, heroin/prescription drugs, Water, HAB, ZIKA, influenza
- Coronavirus – COVID-19 – fluid environment, changing, possible pandemic

- Leverage Technology – Community Preparedness App, partnering with Emergency Management
- MRC roll out
- COOP plan update (CMS requirement)

EI / 3-5 preschool

- Continues as department's most expensive programs
- Continues to be high numbers in EI/3-5 programs, provider shortages – multiple disciplines
- Shared service coordinator with Orleans, utilizing contracts
- Still pushing for shift of fiscal responsibility to schools – talks occurring
- EI – new data base system – EI HUB – replaces NYEIS
- New service coordinator – interviewing – case load relief
- Center based programs - fluid environment – possible alternate approaches (tele therapy)
- Transportation – fiscal driver, re-bid out of county runs – 2020 expenses in the amount of \$650,000. This represents a 5% increase from 2019 (\$617,938).

Weights & Measures

- Program normalizing – accurate picture of scope / work load
- Working collaboratively with Orleans County
- \$20,111 in savings in 2020 and beyond.
- In 2019, the division inspected 659 devices and collected \$14,976.07 in fees.

Coroners / ME

- Variability in cases from year to year
- 160 coroner cases, 60 ME cases in 2019
- NMS lab services, improving back log time (7 pending from 2019)
- Agreement with Orleans County for assistance in coverage – CJS / mutual aid approach

Summary – Still a fluid environment, new policies/regulations with insufficient funding from Albany, but am optimistic that leveraging the CJS relationship and our commitment to a fiscally conservative operational approach, we can continue to further integrate and share our limited fiscal and human capital to deliver essential PH services in Genesee county.