

Present: Legislators Young, Clattenburg, Deleo, Dibble, Also Present: Legislators Bausch, Torrey, Hilchey, Legislature Clerk Pamela LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Human Resources Director Anita Cleveland, Assistant Manager Matt Landers, Health Department Director Paul Pettit, OFA Director Ruth Spink, Youth Bureau Director Jocelyn Sikorski, County Attorney Kevin Earl, Brian Quinn-The Daily News, Howard Owens-The Batavian, GO ART! Director Gregory Hallock

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

Minutes of the February 4, 2019 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Office for the Aging Director Ruth Spink requested permission to apply for a grant from the Greater Rochester Health Foundation. One year grants in the amount of \$5,000 to \$35,000 are available for short-term health-benefitting activities. This was approved upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Ms. Spink explained that the March for Meals campaign is a statewide initiative scheduled for March 22nd. The purpose is to highlight that the nutrition program was added to the Older Americans Act on March 22, 2974 and the impact it's had on seniors throughout the country. She invited legislators to assist with meal delivery that day. Last year, County Manager Jay Gsell volunteered during the campaign as a Meals on Wheels delivery person.

Ms. Spink requested approval of a reappointment to the Aging Advisory Council for Nathan Varland who serves as the director of the Batavia Housing Authority. The term goes from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2021. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously. Ms. Spink further commented that Advisory Board members are 60 years or older or can be a caregiver and they are always in need of interested, qualified people to serve on the board.

Ms. Spink requested approval of a contract renewal for registered dietitian services for the Older Americans Act. An RFP was issued and awarded to Ellen Foster, Consultant Dietitian. The agreement is for 8 hours of dietitian services per week at a rate of \$36/hour not to exceed \$14,976 annually April 1, 2019-March 31, 2020. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Youth Bureau Director Jocelyn Sikorski requested approval of the 2019 Resource Allocation Plan which includes the allocation of resources to municipalities and community based agencies to the extent said funding is provided by NYS and with no expectation of direct Genesee County appropriation. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Ms. Sikorski explained that the Youth Board member from Alexander is interested in serving another term. Kara Richenburg has served one term and completed the application for a second term effective 1/1/19 through 12/31/21. 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.

Mental Health Director Ellery Reaves presented a budget amendment and salary schedule amendment for a new clinical therapist position. He explained that the position will be funded by a grant from Integrity Partners. Service gap closure and data analytics are the expected outcome for the grant funds received. Integrity Partners will partner with a service delivery organization to provide the direct services. There were questions regarding county liability if expected outcomes were not achieved. Would the county or Integrity Partners be liable. Cost of the new position of \$68,720 will be fully covered by the grant secured by Integrity Partners. Also included is cost of a desk, computer and chairs. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mr. Reaves presented a budget amendment and salary schedule amendment for a new registered nurse position. This position will also be funded by a grant from Integrity Partners. Both new positions will fall under Care Management in the Mental Health Organizational Chart and staff would be located in the Clinic. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. Reaves described how the County has an agreement with Niagara County for On-Call Crisis Services. The agreement was approved by the Legislature last year however the dates on the resolution and agreement are different. Mr. Reaves stated the agreement runs through December 31, 2022 and the department and patients have been satisfied with the service. Cost is less than what the County paid previously when the Care & Crisis line was the contracted provider. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mr. Reaves stated the employee serving as the LPN in the Mental Health Department has been on medical leave and is not expected to return to work in the near future. HR Director Anita Cleveland stated an individual on Workers Compensation may have their position held for one year. Mr. Reaves stated the department needs the services of an LPN and requested a Temporary Licensed Practical Nurse be added to the salary schedule. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Health Director Paul Pettit highlighted portions of the Health Department review including: state reimbursement rates, the consolidation with Orleans County Health Department-we are 6.5 years into the relationship, the department is due to rewrite their multi-county health plan and they participate in multiple health related task forces, Lead testing continues to be offered yet the County is below the state goal of 80% of testing children, the 3-5 preschool program continues to be the department's most expensive program, weights & measures is fully implemented under

Health Department and they have found more devices requiring inspection than previously documented, and coroners cases are variable from year to year.

Mr. Pettit stated the Health Department is requesting approval of a contract with a preschool supportive health services provider. The agreement is with Paula Ferraro for related services in the preschool supportive health services program from February 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019. These services qualify for the NYS reimbursement rate of 59.5%. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mr. Pettit explained the Health Department received notification form NYS Department of Health that their Lead Immunization Action Plan contract was approved in the amount of \$31,050. The agreement identifies the revenue will be used to support local immunization action plan activities. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

GO ART! Director Gregory Hallock delivered the department review for GO ART! and lead with news that the agency was in the black for the first time in ten years. He shared a brief description of all the new programs offered by GO ART! including Explore Arts Program, Creative Arts Camp, Culinary Cooking demonstration, there are now 6 gallery spaces in Genesee County and they host a student art show and teachers art show. This week they will host their decentralization grant awards which allow local artists to apply for grant funds for specific projects. They applied for a Preservation League grant to do a facility assessment and identified work that needs to be done. They hope to secure a grant to install an elevator and would like to have a cultural garden outside the gallery. They have hosted guest bartender nights which have brought in younger guests who have not seen the building and gallery nor donated to GO ART!. The staff and board members are passionate about the organization and potential for increasing their exposure and introducing the arts to residents and guests. Chair Young commended Mr. Hallock on all the new programs and increasing exposure of the agency.


County Manager Jay Gsell presented a resolution to approve an agreement with GO ART! in the amount of \$6,500 for various activities and programs. 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 April 1, 2019.

At 5:36 pm the Committee adjourned to executive session to discuss a personnel matter relating to the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

The Human Services Committee meeting reconvened at 6:08 pm upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:08 pm upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.



Andrew Young, Chair
Human Services Committee
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