

Present: Committee Legislators Torrey, Hawley and Deleo. Also, Legislators Maha, Stein, Yunker and Klotzbach attended. County Manager Matt Landers, Deputy County Manager Tammi Ferringer, County Attorney Mark Boylan, Clerk of the Legislature Lisa Casey, Mental Health and Community Services Director Lynda Battaglia, Director of Community Health Services Brenden Bedard, Office for the Aging Director Diana Fox and Howard Owens with The Batavian attended.

The meeting was opened on June 3, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. Meeting location was at 7 Main Street, Old Court House in Batavia, New York. In the Legislative Conference Room.

Committee Chair Torrey appointed Legislator Maha to sit in for Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Committee Chair Torrey announced a quorum was established.

Committee Chair Torrey amended the agenda to add the resolution Calling on Members of the New York Senate and Assembly to Reform the State's Competency Restoration Process and Support the Passage of S.1874 (Brouk)/A.5063 (Gunther) Under County Manager Matt Landers and corrected Public Health Director Paul Pettit to Director of Community Health Services Brenden Bedard as the presenter. Legislator Hawley moved to approve the amended agenda seconded by Legislator Deleo.

Minutes of the April 29, 2024 Human Services Committee meeting approved by the Committee Chair.

Mental Health and Community Services Director Lynda Battaglia brought forward the 2024 RFA for OASAS Opioid allocated LGU funding for Genesee County Treatment Court. Mrs. Battaglia requested authorization to amend the 2024 budget to take the administrative fee of \$1,365 from the Other Liabilities and put it into Opioid Settlement and to amend the 2024 budget by increasing appropriation Contractual in the amount of \$9,100.00 and increasing revenue Opioid Settlement in a like amount with monies coming from Other Liabilities. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hawley, carried unanimously.

Mental Health and Community Services Director Lynda Battaglia brought forward the 2024 RFA for OASAS Opioid allocated LGU funding for Independent Living of the Genesee Region. Mrs. Battaglia requested authorization to amend the 2024 budget to take the administrative fee of \$13,125 from the Other Liabilities and put it into Opioid Settlement and to amend the 2024 budget by increasing appropriation Contractual in the amount of \$87,500.00 and increasing revenue Opioid Settlement in a like amount with monies coming from Other Liabilities. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

Mental Health and Community Services Director Lynda Battaglia requested a budget item transfer to the 2024 Genesee County Mental Health department budget for competency restorations for individuals unable to assist in their defense at a court hearing. Mrs. Battaglia requested authorization to transfer funds within the 2024 Genesee County Budget within the following accounts; \$300,000 to Contracted Other and \$200,000 from Personal Services and \$100,000 from Medical. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha

seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mental Health and Community Services Director Lynda Battaglia presented an annual review that consisted of the following areas of focus: Clinical Services, Comparison of new clients per month from 2023, School Satellites, Care Management, Forensic Services and LGU Services. Also gave a brief overview of the billing and Finance Department, Comparison of budgeted vs. actual revenue break down and 2024 grant submission overview.

Director of Community Health Services Brenden Bedard presented a contract for the provision of related services to eligible children in the Preschool Supportive Health Services Program. Mr. Bedard recommended for the Legislature to execute a contract with Sunshine Speech Therapy, PLLC, for the period of May 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, per the 2024-2025 PSSHSP rate schedule. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Director of Community Health Services Brenden Bedard presented a contract for the provision of related services to eligible children in the Preschool Supportive Health Services Program. Mr. Bedard recommended for the Legislature to execute a contract with Hearing and Speech Center of Rochester, Inc. for the period of May 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, per the 2024-2025 PSSHSP rate schedule. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hawley seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Director of Community Health Services Brenden Bedard presented a contract for the provision of services: Special Education Itinerant Teacher (SEIT) Services, Classroom Services (CB), and Evaluator Services in the Preschool Supportive Health Services Program (PSSHSP) to eligible children in the Preschool Supportive Health Services Program. Mr. Bedard recommended for the Legislature to execute a contract with the following provider, Byron-Bergen Central School District, for the period of April 18, 2024 through June 30, 2025, per the 2024-2025 PSSHSP rate schedule. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Director of Community Health Services Brenden Bedard reported the Genesee County Public Health Department possesses one gray two-door cabinet for employee use. Mr. Bedard recommended for the Legislature to authorize the disposal of the one gray two-door cabinet, by the method deemed most appropriate by that department. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hawley seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Director of Community Health Services Brenden Bedard presented a contract renewal for the provision of Finger Lakes Regional Training Center Western Region Health Emergency Preparedness Training Center. Mr. Bedard recommended for the Legislature to execute a contract renewal with the Finger Lakes Regional Training Center Western Region Health Emergency Preparedness Training Center for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Hawley, carried unanimously.

Director of Community Health Services Brenden Bedard reported the proposed county-wide program area is hereby defined as having many substandard on-site septic systems, located on the following waterbodies; Tonawanda Creek, Bowen Brook, Bigelow Creek, Leroy reservoir,

Tannery Brook, and Oatka Creek. Genesee County agrees to accept the fourth round of funding (\$0) that will be added to the first round of funding (\$150,000), the second round of funding (\$170,000), and the third round of funding (\$340,000) for a maximum aggregate amount of (\$660,000) from the New York State Septic System Replacement Fund Program. This agreement would be retroactive for the period of May 1st, 2024 through March 31st, 2027. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Director of Community Health Services Brenden Bedard presented an inter-municipal agreement with Wyoming County Public Health Department to provide comprehensive elevated blood lead level inspections. Agreement is for the period of April 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025. Wyoming County will be billed on per-case basis, not to exceed \$8,000 or 10 cases based on the following fee schedule: \$600 per lead case investigation, \$200 per initial clearance and \$50 per any subsequent clearance visits after initial clearance. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Hawley, carried unanimously.

Director of Community Health Services Brenden Bedard presented a contract with Staffing Solutions Organization LLC, to provide contract staffing for the Genesee County Public Health Department funded through the NYS Fellowship program, to provide services for the period of July 1, 2024 thru July 31, 2026. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hawley, carried unanimously.

Director of Community Health Services Brenden Bedard presented a contract renewal with Quest Diagnostics of Pennsylvania, Inc. to provide laboratory services for the Genesee County Public Health Department. Laboratory services commencing on June 14th, 2024. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hawley seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

Director of Community Health Services Brenden Bedard received notification from the New York State Department of Health that Genesee County's Immunization Action Plan contract will be awarded \$31,050. This is retroactive for the period April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2025, and to accept the award in the amount of \$31,050. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hawley seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Office for the Aging Director Diana Fox presented an agreement to modify the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Alzheimer's disease and Related Disorders Association, Inc. d/b/a Alzheimer's Association, Western New York Chapter (AAWNY). This agreement is not to exceed \$112,000 for the period July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Hawley, carried unanimously.

Office for the Aging Director Diana Fox requested approval of a lease agreement renewal with Lifespan of Greater Rochester, Inc., for the rental of one 80 square foot office space to house a Lifespan employee working in the Muriel H. Marshall Fund for the Aging in Genesee funded Financial Management Program for an annual rent of \$1,367. Mrs. Fox recommended for the Legislature to execute the necessary document to renew a lease agreement with Lifespan of Greater Rochester, Inc., 1900 Clinton Avenue S., Rochester, N.Y. 14618 for the period of July 1, 2024 –

June 30, 2025 for a yearly cost of \$1, 367, that are paid in quarterly installments of \$341.75 per quarter. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Office for the Aging Director Diana Fox requested a proof of insurance indicating general liability insurance in the amount of at least one million dollars and naming the Genesee Country Farmers' Market, the Batavia Improvement District, the City of Batavia, as additional insured. Documents to name the following as additional insured for from the hours of 8:00am-5:00pm for the dates include July 1, 2024-September 30, 2024. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Hawley, carried unanimously.

Office for the Aging Director Diana Fox requested a permission to apply for two grant awards: \$88,000 for Centralized Intake and \$16,225 for Marketing Coordination from the Rochester Area Community Foundation's Muriel H. Marshall Fund for the Aging each for the period of July 1, 2024- June 30, 2025 and these grants total \$104,225 in Marshall Fund grant revenue. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Hawley, carried unanimously.

Office for the Aging Director Diana Fox reported having funds remaining from American Rescue Plan funds that can be brought into our budget to provide an additional shower modification, provide additional materials and resources for health promotion programming and for caregivers. This was referred to the Ways and Means Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hawley seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Office for the Aging Director Diana Fox presented a renewal of contract with The Arc GLOW resulting from RFP 2022-102 for the provision of Meal Preparation Services for Office for the Aging for the congregate and home delivered meal programs administered by the Office for the Aging. Mrs. Fox recommended for the Legislature to execute the necessary documents to renew a contract with The Arc GLOW, 18 Main Street, Mount Morris, at a cost of \$8.80 per meal for regular home delivered meals; \$8.58 per meal for congregate meals; \$6.92 for 2nd meal (Cold or Sandwich Meal); and \$8.91 for frozen home delivered meals; with a total contract not to exceed \$376,737 for the period of July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025.

Mrs. Fox explained there was a price increase and requested the committee to allow an amendment to the agenda. Legislator Maha motioned to amend with a second from Legislator Deleo to read as the increase to be: a cost of \$8.88 per meal for regular home delivered meals; \$8.50 per meal for congregate meals; \$6.92 for 2nd meal (Cold or Sandwich Meal); and \$8.91 for frozen home delivered meals; with a total contract not to exceed \$403,812.15 for the period of July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Executive Director of the Housing Council Mary Leo and Senior Director of Homeownership Programs Sarah Simson presented an annual report on the Housing Initiatives. The report identified significant barriers for low-income first-time homebuyers, such as high home prices, lack of down payment funds, and insufficient affordable housing options. Renters, particularly those at or below 80% of the area median income, face severe shortages of available rental units, with high rental rates often exceeding mortgage payments. They also discussed the Housing

Stability Counseling Program, First Time Homebuyer Counseling and Education, Limited Grant Opportunities, Foreclosure Prevention and the Genesee County Handyman Program.

County Manager Matt Landers reported Criminal Procedure Law (CPL) provides that defendants charged with felonies who are mentally ill and/or developmentally disabled and who are determined by a court to be unable to understand the charges against them or participate in their own defense are sent to New York State-operated forensic hospitals solely for the purpose of trying to restore them to competency so they can stand trial. Competency restoration provides necessary medications but primarily provides services such as courtroom training to familiarize the defendant with courtroom procedures so they can participate in their trial. Mr. Landers also reported the county cost of these services is over \$1,300 per day and current statute does not require a timeline be established for when a defendant is unable to be restored and the county cost of restoration for one defendant can be upwards of \$400,000 per year. Mr. Landers recommended for the Legislature to support Genesee County calling on the State to support all provisions outlined in S.1874 (Brouk)/A.5063 (Gunther).

Clerk of the Legislature Lisa Casey announced the next Human Services Committee Meeting will be on Monday, July 15, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. prior to the Public Service Committee Meeting.

Committee Chair Torrey adjourned the Human Services meeting at 5:28 p.m.