

****PURSUANT TO THE STATE OF EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 202.1 ARTICLE 7, SUSPENSION OF LAW ALLOWING THE ATTENDANCE OF MEETINGS TELEPHONICALLY OR OTHER SIMILAR SERVICE****

Members Attending: Mr. Lightfoot, Mr. Acres, Mr. Burke, Ms. Curran, Mr. Denesha, Mr. Fay, Ms. Haggard, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Reagen, Mr. Sheridan, and Mr. Smithers

Members Attending via Video: Mr. Arquiett, Ms. Fiacco, Mr. Forsythe, and Ms. Terminelli

Others Attending in Person and via Video: Ruth Doyle, Dylan Soper, Kelly Pearson, and Steve Button

1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Mr. Lightfoot called the meeting to order at 8:28 p.m. Ms. Curran moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Ms. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Acres).

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Sheridan moved to approve the August 9th meeting minutes, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Acres).

Mr. Acres returned to the room at 8:29 p.m.

3. COMMUNITY SERVICES – JAY ULRICH

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Extension of a Contract for One-Time Grant Funding from New York State Opioid Response (SOR) for a Mobile Treatment Vehicle (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

B. Clinic Update (Info) – Mr. Ulrich

4. PUBLIC HEALTH – JOLENE MUNGER

A. Proclaiming October 24th – 30th, 2021 as National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week (Res) – Mr. Acres moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, Mr. Fay and Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with the New York State Department of Health for COVID-19 Vaccine Response and Modifying the 2021 Budget for the Public Health Department (Res) – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Denesha, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

C. Coroner's Program (Discussion) – Ms. Munger

D. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with St. Lawrence Health for Morgue and Laboratory Services (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

5. SOCIAL SERVICES

Heather Rand spoke to the following resolution and discussion items:

A. Modifying the 2021 Budget for Social Services for Child Care/Foster Care, Administration, and HEAP (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

B. Quality Program Review Summary (Discussion) – Ms. Heather Rand

C. Social Services Statistics (Info) – Ms. Heather Rand

6. VACANCY REVIEW COMMITTEE – RUTH DOYLE

A. Social Services – Ms. Rand requested to fill a Keyboard Specialist and a Senior Social Welfare Investigator positions in the Department of Social Services.

B. Community Services – Mr. Ulrich requested to fill a Secretary I position in Community Services.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Board of Health – no report

B. CDP Board of Directors – Mr. Sheridan

C. Community Services Board – Ms. Curran

D. Office for the Aging Advisory Board – Mr. Denesha

E. Youth Advisory Board – Ms. Terminelli

8. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – RUTH DOYLE

Ms. Doyle said the 12+ population is 64.2% vaccinated; 18+ population is 65.2% vaccinated; 65+ population is 84.2% vaccinated with an overall average of 52.6% of people being vaccinated in St. Lawrence County. K-12 Schools are beginning the screen testing as required by New York State. The FDA continues to review the booster shot. During the COVID-19 conference calls there has been discussion on home tests. The Federal Government is requiring their employees at the borders to be vaccinated. New messaging will be going out to encourage people to get vaccinated. The County Mask Survey has concluded with 47% in favor of a mask mandate and 52% in favor of no mask mandate. Approximately 45% of employees completed the survey.

Ms. Doyle said Rick Johnson of IT and Alexa Backus of Youth Bureau will be attending the St. Lawrence Leadership Institute.

A Suicide Awareness Prevention Walk is scheduled and will be held virtually.

There was a small fire in one of the trash compactors at the Ogdensburg Transfer Station. No one was injured and it was extinguished before the fire trucks arrived.

DANC will be providing a discussion on broadband at the September Finance Committee meeting.

NYSAC has scheduled its spring session March 13th - 15th, 2022.

The Tentative Budget will be presented at the October 4th Board meeting.

Ms. Doyle said she will continue to work on the Legislative Agenda and will schedule a work session after the budget has been completed.

9. OLD/NEW BUSINESS: There was no old/new business.

Mr. Arquiatt left the meeting at 10:09 p.m.

Mr. Smithers moved to go to Executive Session at 10:10 p.m. to discuss litigation, negotiations, and appointments, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Perkins moved to go to Open Session at 11:05 p.m., seconded by Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

11. ADJOURNMENT – Mr. Lightfoot moved to adjourn the September Services Committee Meeting at 11:05 p.m., as there was no further business.