St. Lawrence County
Board of Legislators
Board Room and Live via YouTube

Services Committee Monday, April 18, 2022 5:30 p.m.

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Mr. Perkins chaired this meeting in Mr. Lightfoot's absence.

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

Members Attending via Video: Mr. Arquiett

- **1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** Mr. Perkins called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. Mr. Smithers moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).
- **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Mr. Burke moved to approve the March 21, 2022, meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).

## 3. PUBLIC HEALTH – JOLENE MUNGER

Renae Johnson spoke to the following resolutions in Ms. Munger's absence:

- A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with St. Lawrence Health for Morgue and Laboratory Services (Res) Mr. Smithers moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).
- B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign Contracts with Funeral Homes for Transportation Services for the Coroner's Program (Res) Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).
- C. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Dr. Samuel Livingstone for pathology services for the Coroner's Program (Res) Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Sheridan, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).
- D. Modifying the 2021 Public Health Department Budget for the Public Health Coroner's Program (Res) Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Haggard, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).

E. Authorizing the Chair to Sign Contracts with Quadrant Viral Testing LLC and Syracuse University for Wastewater Surveillance and Data Analysis (Res) – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Haggard, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).

# 4. OFFICE FOR THE AGING – ANDREA MONTGOMERY

A. Proclaiming May as Older Americans Month in St. Lawrence County with the 2022 Theme Being "Age My Way" (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).

# 5. SOCIAL SERVICES – JOSEPH SEEBER

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Memorandum of Understanding between the Department of Social Services and Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe Office for the Aging (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).

B. Social Services Statistics (Info) – Heather Rand, Director of Children's Services

## 6. YOUTH BUREAU – ALEXA BACKUS

A. Accepting the King-Size Heartwarming Young Hero Grant from the Allstate Foundation and Youth Service America (YSA) and Modifying the 2022 Budget for the Youth Bureau (Res) – Mr. Acres moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).

B. Second Annual St. Lawrence County Trash Dash (Info) – Ms. Backus

# 7. COMMUNITY SERVICES – JAY ULRICH

**A**. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Cooperative Agreement with the North Country Initiative (NCI) for Promise Practices Funds and Modifying the 2022 Budget for Community Services (Res) – Mr. Sheridan moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).

B. Authorizing Chair to Sign a Contract with Coordinated Care Services, Inc. for the Preparation of the 2021 Consolidated Fiscal Report (Res) – Mr. Fay moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).

C. Mental Health and Addiction Clinic Updates (Info) – Mr. Ulrich

#### 8. LEGISLATOR HAGGARD AND LEGISLATOR TERMINELLI

A. Urging Governor Hochul and New York State Legislature to implement a plan to gradually eliminate the County Fiscal Responsibility for Preschool Special Education and Summer School Special Education Programs (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Fay, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).

B. In Support of Raising the Childcare Subsidy Rate and Increasing the Total Allotment to Social Services to Improve Equitable Access to Childcare across New York State (Res) – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Denesha.

Mr. Acres moved to table this resolution to the Finance Committee meeting, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).

C. Urging the Governor and New York State Legislature to Restore Critical State Funding Support for Child Welfare Services, Safety Net Programs, and to Fully Fund the Recent Foster Care Rate Settlement with State Resources (Res) – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).

## 9. VACANCY REVIEW COMMITTEE - DYLAN SOPER

A. Community Services – Mr. Ulrich requested to fill a Chemical Dependency Counselor, Position No. 510400009; fill a Senior Chemical Dependency Case Aide, Position No. 510200001; and abolish a Chemical Dependency Case Aide, and create and fill a Peer Advocate, Position No. 505900002 in Community Services.

Ms. Curran left the meeting at 7:13 p.m., and returned at 7:15 p.m.

B. Social Services – Mr. Seeber requested to fill a Senior Social Welfare Examiner in TA/SNAP, Position No. 814100001; fill a Support Investigator in Child Support, Position No. 813000002; fill a Social Welfare Examiner in Medicaid, Position No. 814000014; and fill a Coordinator of Social Services in Information Technology, Position No. 812000001 in Social Services.

#### 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Board of Health no report
- B. CDP Board of Directors no report
- C. Community Services Board Ms. Haggard
- D. Office for the Aging Advisory Board Mr. Denesha
- E. Youth Advisory Board no report
- F. Family Court Committee no report

## 11. OLD/NEW BUSINESS – There was no old/new business.

Ms. Curran moved to go to Executive Session at 7:19 p.m. to discuss personnel, seconded by Mr. Smithers, carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).

# 12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Ms. Curran moved to go to Open Session at 7:22 p.m., seconded by Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Lightfoot and Terminelli).

**13. ADJOURNMENT** – Chair Perkins moved to adjourn the April Services Committee meeting at 7:23 p.m., as there was no further business.