

Members Attending: Mr. Hull, Mr. Burke, Ms. Curran, Mr. Denesha, Mr. Fay, Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Gennett, Ms. Haggard, Mr. Lightfoot, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Reagen, Mr. Sheridan, Mr. Smithers, Ms. Terminelli, and Mr. Webster

1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – Mr. Hull called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. Ms. Curran moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Denesha, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Mr. Hull announced that due to extenuating circumstances, Legislator Gennett will be attending remotely from 1350 Brasher Falls, New York 13613, and Legislator Smithers will be attending remotely from 720 West Sherman Street, Oakland City, Indiana 47660.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Ms. Curran moved to approve the April 17th meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

3. YOUTH BUREAU – ALEXA CHASE

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign the 2023 Resource Allocation Plan Signature Page and Sign Contracts with Various Organizations for Youth Development Grant Programs (Res) (*Note: This resolution was tabled at the April Services Committee Meeting and will need a motion to remove it from the Table.*) – Mr. Perkins moved to remove this resolution from the table, seconded by Mr. Reagen, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Motion carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) abstention (Terminelli).

4. COMMUNITY SERVICES – JAY ULRICH

Deputy Director Lindsay Best spoke to the following two resolutions:

A. Modifying the 2023 Budget for Community Services for the STOP-DWI High Visibility Engagement Campaign Funds from the State of New York Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement with Eastern Gateway Community College for an Intern Program (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. Mental Health and Addiction Services Updates (Info) – Jay Ulrich

D. Funding Received from NYS Office of Mental Health (OMH) and Office of Addiction Services and Support (OASAS) to St. Lawrence County as Pass-Through Funding (Discussion) – Jay Ulrich

5. SOCIAL SERVICES – JOE SEEBER

A. Social Services Statistics – Eligibility Program (Info) – Deputy Commissioner Doug Hamilton

6. PUBLIC HEALTH – JOLENE MUNGER

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Participation Agreement with North Country Independent Practice Association (IPA), LLC, for Health Provider Services for Public Health (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. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement with St. Lawrence Health Initiative for the New York State Public Health Corps (NYSPHC) Fellowship Program (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Lightfoot, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

C. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Jack Venesky, CPA and Associates for Preparation of the Preschool/School Supportive Health Services Program (SSHSP) Annual Medicaid Cost Report for Public Health Department for the July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 Program Year (Res) – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Fay and Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

D. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Health Research Inc. and New York State Department of Health (HRI/NYSDOH) for a Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Sponsored Grant for the Public Health Department (Res) – Mr. Sheridan moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Lightfoot and Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

7. LEGISLATOR BEN HULL

A. Prohibiting Placement of the Social Media Application known as “TikTok” on County Owned Devices (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran and Mr. Forsythe.

Mr. Gennett, Ms. Curran and Mr. Sheridan asked to be added as co-sponsors to this resolution.

Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

8. VACANCY REVIEW COMMITTEE – RUTH DOYLE

A. Social Services – Mr. Seeber requested to fill a Senior Caseworker, Position No. 815400003, in CPS; fill a Caseworker Supervisor, Position No. 816000001 in CPS; fill Keyboard Specialist, Position No. 003100096, in Preventative; fill Keyboard Specialist, Position No. 003100037, in Medical Services; fill Senior Account Clerk, Position No. 100200009, in Child Support; and fill Social Welfare Examiner, Position No. 814000060, in HEAP

9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – RUTH DOYLE

Ms. Doyle reported one (1) transfer of funds: \$3,480 for Public Health for rent.

Ms. Doyle said she was invited to tour Riverview Correctional Facility in Ogdensburg.

A government class from Madrid Waddington Central School will be touring County buildings on Friday.

Ms. Doyle will be traveling to Oswego to attend a meeting with NYS County Administrators and Managers.

The Remote Work Group met last week and will continue to meet to discuss ideas and solutions for retaining employees in St. Lawrence County.

There will be a MUNIS upgrade coming in June, and County staff traveled to Texas to help prepare for the upcoming changes.

167 individuals are being treated at the OTP Clinic at this time and 321 individuals are being treated at the Mental Health Clinics.

Projects have begun around the Court House and the replacement of sidewalks will begin soon.

Ms. Doyle said the Courts gave notice that there are two jury trials scheduled this week and parking will be at a minimum.

A resolution regarding the White Hill Tower and transferring that property to the County will be forthcoming.

It is a busy time for Highway projects and the Department is having a difficult time filling positions.

Recycling efforts will begin on Friday in Ogdensburg. The County will compact recyclables and transport to the Liverpool Recycling Center.

The County Burn ban expired yesterday.

Today was the opening day for the multi-use trails.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Board of Health – Ms. Curran
- B. CDP Board of Directors – Mr. Burke
- C. Community Services Board – Ms. Haggard
- D. Office for the Aging Advisory Board – no report
- E. Youth Advisory Board – Ms. Terminelli

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

Mr. Forsythe moved to go to Executive Session at 6:52 p.m. to discuss litigation, negotiations, personnel, and appointments, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Forsythe moved to go to Open Session at 7:47 p.m., seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

13. ADJOURNMENT – Mr. Hull moved to adjourn the May Services Committee Meeting at 7:47 p.m., as there was no further business.