

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. Denesha, Mr. Fay, Ms. Haggard, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Reagen, and Mr. Smithers

Members Attending via Videoconference: ~~Mr. Arquiatt~~, Mr. Burke, Ms. Curran arrived at 5:44 p.m., Ms. Fiacco, Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Sheridan and Ms. Terminelli

Others Attending via Videoconference: Ruth Doyle, Dylan Soper, Kelly Pearson, Stephen Button, Dana McGuire, Cindy Ackerman, and Jay Ulrich

1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Chair Lightfoot called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Mr. Denesha moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Fay, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Arquiatt and Curran).

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Perkins moved to approve the February 8th meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Arquiatt and Curran).

3. COVID-19 UPDATE – Dr. Dana McGuire

Ms. Curran arrived at 5:44 p.m.

4. PUBLIC HEALTH – DANA MCGUIRE

A. Proclaiming March as COVID-19 Memorial Month in St. Lawrence County and Extending the Appreciation of the County to all Involved in the COVID-19 Response (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers and Ms. Haggard.

Ms. Terminelli asked for a friendly amendment to add the National Guard to the 7th whereas.

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

B. Proclaiming April 5th – 11th, 2021 as National Public Health Week (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Haggard and Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

C. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Amendment to the Immunization Action Plan Grant with the New York State Department of Health for the Public Health Department (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins and Ms. Haggard, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

D. Modifying the 2021 Budget for Public Health to Accept Performance Incentive Achievement Award Funds (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran and Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiett).

E. Approval of Rates for Related Services for the Preschool Special Education Program (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Haggard and Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiett).

Ms. McGuire said this will be her last meeting, and she thanked everyone for their support and for being able to serve the County.

5. SOCIAL SERVICES – CINDY ACKERMAN

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Volunteer Transportation Center, Inc. for Management of Non-Emergency Transportation for Child Welfare and Adult Services (Res) – Mr. Smithers moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiett).

B. Modifying the 2020 Budget for Social Services for State Training Schools (Res) – Mr. Reagen moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe and Ms. Haggard, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiett).

6. COMMUNITY SERVICES – JAY ULRICH

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign Adirondacks ACO Compliance Program Guidelines Provider Attestation (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiett).

B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign Amended Contracts and Modifying the 2021 Budget for Community Services for Funding Received from NYS OASAS to St. Lawrence County as Pass Through Funding to Approved Agencies (Res) – Mr. Smithers moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins and Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiett).

C. Authorizing the Chair to Sign Amended Contracts and Modifying the 2021 Budget for Community Services for Funding Received from NYS OMH to St. Lawrence County as Pass Through Funding to Approved Agencies (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers and Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiett).

Ms. Curran left the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

D. Clinic Update (Info) – Mr. Ulrich

E. Opioid Response Initiatives (Discussion) – Mr. Ulrich

7. LEGISLATOR MARGARET HAGGARD

A. Authorizing the Creation of the St. Lawrence County Employee Professional Development and Tuition Reimbursement Program for the Training and Retention of Skilled Employees (Res) – Ms. Haggard moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Acres and Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, one (1) no vote (Forsythe), and two (2) absent (Arquiett and Curran).

8. VACANCY REVIEW COMMITTEE

A. Social Services – Ms. Ackerman requested to create and fill a Senior Caseworker in CPS (815000003), fill a Clerk in Legal (002300051), fill a Social Welfare Examiner in TA/SNAP (814200052), fill a Caseworker in Children’s Services (815000007), create and fill a Keyboard Specialist in Children’s Services (0031000103), create and fill a Caseworker in Children’s Services (815000061), create and fill a Caseworker in Children’s Services (815000062), create and fill a Caseworker in Children’s Services (815000063), create and fill a Caseworker in Children’s Services (815000064), create and fill a Caseworker in Children’s Services (815000065), create and fill a Caseworker in Children’s Services (815000067), and create and fill a Caseworker Supervisor, Grade B in Children’s Services (816100009) in the Department of Social Services.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

10. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

A. Aquatic Plant Control Program in Black Lake (Discussion) – Mr. Lightfoot

Ms. Doyle said all County employees are now eligible to get COVID-19 vaccinations, and a vaccination clinic will be held this Friday for employees.

The last two invoices the County received for mental health commitments have come in less than expected.

There was a meeting today regarding the “trash dash”. The Directors of the Solid Waste and Weights and Measures’ Departments will be volunteering their assistance in this exciting Earth Day endeavor.

Ms. Doyle said it was reported on the weekly vaccine call that St. Lawrence County has consistently had approximately 82 volunteers working at the vaccination clinics.

There is a meeting scheduled with the City of Ogdensburg tomorrow, at their request, regarding foreclosures.

The Hazardous Mitigation efforts are kicking off this week.

Mr. Smithers said he received notice of an upcoming Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days, and he wondered if there could be more days added to allow more time for people to take advantage of this. Ms. Doyle said she will get more information on this.

Mr. Smithers moved to go to Executive Session at 9:22 p.m. to discuss negotiations, personnel, and appointments, seconded by Mr. Fay, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Arquiett and Curran).

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Acres moved to go to Open Session at 10:15 p.m., seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Arquiett and Curran).

12. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Lightfoot adjourned the March Services Committee meeting at 10:15 p.m., as there was no further business.