HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Present: Legislators Young, Clattenburg, Deleo, Maha, Also Present: Legislators Bausch, Stein, Torrey, Hilchey, Legislature Clerk Pamela LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Asst. County Manager Matt Landers, DSS Commissioner Dave Rumsey, Veterans Services Bill Joyce, IT Director Steve Zimmer, Mental Health Finance Officer Brenton Moore, Acting Mental Health Director Mark O'Brien, HR Director Anita Cleveland, County Attorney Kevin Earl, Howard Owens-The Batavian, Brian Quinn-The Daily News

Chair Andrew Young called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm in the Legislative Conference Room at the Old Courthouse.

Legislator Gary Maha was temporarily appointed to the Human Services Committee to fill the vacant seat of Legislator Dibble.

Minutes of the August 19, 2019 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Deleo carried unanimously.

Department of Social Services Commissioner Dave Rumsey referenced his written report and highlighted various caseloads and programs accessed by eligible residents. Medicaid is the biggest expense and even with the Medicaid Cap the local share is approximately \$9.5 million annually. Child protective services received 586 reports to date and are projected to reach 1,000 for 2019. Our Raise the Age (RTA) Plan has been approved by New York State. At present we have one individual. The fraud investigation Unit uses key indicators to measure program integrity performance.

Mr. Rumsey explained that state and federal funds were available to cover the cost of desktop scanners. Bed Specs were advertised and HMB Information Systems Developers of Westerville, Ohio were recommended. The bid is for 28 S2050 scanners, 6 S2070 and 1 Kidak Alaris i4250 scanner. Legislator Clattenburg made a motion to add the bid amount to the resolution and refer to Ways & Means seconded by Legislator Maha, carried. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Acting Mental Health Director Mark O'Brien explained that a full-time RN recently retired leaving a void in the department for nursing services. This employee is willing to work part-time on a temporary basis to ensure service is provided as required. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Mr. O'Brien requested approval of a memorandum of agreement with Coordinated Care Services Inc. for services of the Suicide Prevention Coalition Coordinator. Ms. Sue Gagne is employed by CCSI and will work an estimated 5 hours per week on these activities. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

Mr. O'Brien requested approval of a contract with a new psychiatrist, Dr. Temitope Oyegbile at a rate of \$250 per hour for a maximum of 500 hours for the period of August 1 through

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December 31, 2019. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

Mr. O'Brien and County Manager Jay Gsell explained that a memorandum of understanding which will supplement the contract between Genesee County and Mark O'Brien, Orleans County Mental Health Director has been approved by the Orleans County Legislature. Mr. Gsell requested the matter be addressed by the Ways & Means Committee and full legislature.

Veterans Service Director Bill Joyce explained that he is the only one in the Veterans Office who is able to sign off on documentation/paperwork for veterans. He has many out of county vets come to the office for service, as much as 25% of those seeking services are not Genesee County residents. He is dedicated to serving all veterans and will not turn anyone away. The National Cemetery planned for Indian Falls/Route 77 was awarded a general contractor who is expected to start construction this year. Certification documentation is available to veterans who are interested in burial in a National Cemetery.

County Manager Jay Gsell presented a salary schedule amendment for the Director of Community Mental Health Services to go from a grade 118 to grade 121 on the management salary schedule. The talent pool and competitive market is the driving force behind the request. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

Mr. Gsell requested approval of a budget item transfer of \$15,000 from personnel services to contractual services for the acting mental health director. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the Human Services Committee is Monday, September 30, 2019 at 4:30 pm.

The meeting adjourned at 5:03 pm upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Andrew Young, Chair Human Services Committee Submitted 9/4/19 phl