

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
March 11, 2025

The Health & Human Services Committee of the Broome County Legislature met on Tuesday, March 11, 2025 in the Legislative Conference Room, Sixth Floor, Edwin L. Crawford County Office Building, Binghamton, New York.

Members Present: J. Shaw (Chair), M. Hilderbrant, E. Micha (Voting representative for L. Augostini), K. Myers, T. Ames

Members Absent: None

Others Present: C. Hall, M. McDonald, J. Scott, C. French, Legislature; J. Garner, C. Wagner, M. Ponticellio, Executive; A. Fiala, Planning, T. Adams, N. Angelina, OMB; M. Turbush, OFA; L. Bellmore, C. Fedor, Health; K. Harlost, OET; B. Gowe, A. Florence, Parks; B. Norris, Security; C. Segrue, Personnel; K. Saunders, J. Marsh, K. Empett, Mental Health; K. White, DSS; C. Sullivan, Law; C. Secor, Purchasing; Vincent Gialanella, Resident.

The Health & Human Services Committee meeting was called to order by the Chair at 4:20 PM. Mrs. Myers made a motion to move the agenda, seconded by Mrs. Ryan.

The Chair requested that renewals, including Resolutions #27-28, 33, 35-37, 40-47, be grouped together and voted on in a single vote. Mr. Hilderbrant made a motion to consider the resolutions as one vote, seconded by Mrs. Myers. The vote to consider the resolutions as one vote carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0. The resolutions grouped together carried, Ayes-5, Nays-0

The Committee took the following action with regard to the matters before it:

#7 [RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE APPOINTMENT OF LYNETTE BELLMORE AS ACTING DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH](#)

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#8 [RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE APPOINTMENT OF KIMBERLY SAUNDERS AS ACTING COMMISSIONER OF COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES](#)

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#9 [RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERSONNEL CHANGE REQUESTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES](#)

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#22 [RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH IDEA KRAFT FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN SERVICES FOR THE WILLOW POINT REHABILITATION AND NURSING CENTER FOR 2025](#)

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#23 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH MANAGE ASSIST FOR PROFESSIONAL MANAGEMENT TRAINING SERVICES FOR THE WILLOW POINT REHABILITATION AND NURSING CENTER FOR 2025

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#24 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH CLEAR PATH FOR VETERANS, INC TO LEASE SPACE AT THE BROOME COUNTY VETERANS RESOURCE CENTER FOR 2025-2029

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#25 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTHERN TIER VETERANS SUPPORT GROUP TO LEASE SPACE AT THE BROOME COUNTY VETERANS RESOURCE CENTER FOR 2025-2029

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#26 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH KINDERCARE EDUCATION AT WORK FOR CHILDCARE SERVICES AT THE OAKDALE COMMONS FOR 2025-2029

Chairman Shaw recognized representatives from the Jewish Community Center (JCC) to express their concerns in regard to Resolution Introduction #26.

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#27 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE YOUTH TOBACCO ENFORCEMENT AND PREVENTION PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#28 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE ENHANCED WATER SUPPLY PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#29 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CREDENTIALING OF MEDICAL STAFF AT THE BROOME COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#32 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF MONROE PLAN FOR MEDICAL CARE, INC. PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH MONROE PLAN FOR MEDICAL CARE, INC. TO ADMINISTER SAID PROGRAM FOR 2025

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#33 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH HOMEMAKERS OF BROOME D/B/A CAREGIVERS FOR HOME HEALTH CARE AIDE SERVICES FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#34 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN TIER INDEPENDENCE CENTER TO ACT AS FISCAL INTERMEDIARY FOR CONSUMER DIRECTED SERVICES FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING'S EXPANDED IN-HOME SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY PROGRAM (EISEP), UNMET NEED PROGRAM, TITLE III-E FAMILY CAREGIVER PROGRAM FOR 2025-2026

Mr. Ames made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Micha, to amend the Resolution to remove the second FURTHER RESOLVED paragraph.

Amendment carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

Resolution as amended carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#35 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#36 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH TWIN TIER HOME HEALTH, INC., FOR PERSONAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICES FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#37 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS VENDORS FOR PERSONAL CARE/HOMEMAKER SERVICES FOR VARIOUS OFFICE FOR AGING PROGRAMS FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#38 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REVISION OF THE TITLE III-B SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING AND ADOPTING A REVISED PROGRAM BUDGET IN CONNECTION THEREWITH FOR 2025

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#39 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE ADOPTION GUARDIANSHIP RECRUITMENT PROGRAM GRANT FOR DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2024-2025

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#40 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE WELLNESS IN NUTRITION (WIN) PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#41 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION AND COUNSELING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANT, ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET AND RENEWING AN AGREEMENT WITH ACTION FOR OLDER PERSONS, INC. FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#42 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#43 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF CONGREGATE SERVICES INITIATIVE (CSI) PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#44 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#45 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE NEW YORK CONNECTS EXPANSION AND ENHANCEMENT (E&E) PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#46 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE UNMET NEEDS PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#47 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE TOBACCO CONTROL PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

Acting Administrator for the Willow Point Rehabilitation Nursing Center Stephaine Jerzak updated the Committee on staffing at the Nursing Center. the handout is attached with the minutes.

There being no further business to come before the Committee at this time, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Ames seconded by Mrs. Myers. The meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM.