Health & Human Services Committee November 7, 2018 Minutes

Members Present:

Committee Chair John Peck, Legislators Allen Drake, James Nabywaniec, Robert Ferris, Carolyn Fitzpatrick, Anthony Doldo, and Board Chair Scott Gray

Others Present:

Legislators William Johnson, Michael Montigelli, and Daniel McBride, County Administrator Robert Hagemann, III, Deputy Administrator Sarah Baldwin, County Attorney David Paulsen, Conf. Asst. for Fiscal Affairs and Information Technology Director Gregory Hudson, Office for the Aging Director Tim Ruetten, Community Services Mental Health Coordinator Alicia Ruperd, Public Health Director Ginger Hall, DSS Commissioner Teresa Gaffney, Code Enforcement Director Jason Crump, Highway Superintendent James Lawrence, Probation Director Martin Morrison, Treasurer Accountant Anne Converse, Watertown Daily Times Reporter Abraham Kenmore, Confidential Secretary Jill Jones

Chairman Peck called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and offered privilege of the floor, but no one wished to address the Committee. The minutes of the September Committee meeting were approved as presented.

Chairman Peck introduced a resolution amending the 2018 County Budget and authorizing agreement relative to DSRIP funding for the Office for the Aging and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Fitzpatrick seconded by Legislator Ferris and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Peck introduced a resolution authorizing agreement with Niscentia Health for the provision of home delivered meals by Office for the Aging and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Nabywaniec seconded by Legislator Drake and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Peck introduced a resolution amending the County Budget relative to DSRIP funding for Community Services Department and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Drake seconded by Legislator Fitzpatrick and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Peck introduced a resolution amending the 2018 County Budget to recognize Federal Medicaid Administration reimbursement for the Committee Services Department. A motion was duly made by Legislator Drake seconded by Legislator Nabywaniec and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Peck introduced a resolution Re-Appointing Members to Jefferson County Public Health Service Health Services Advisory Board and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Fitzpatrick seconded by Legislator Doldo and there being no discussion the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution.

Chairman Peck introduced a resolution Re-Appointing Members to Jefferson County Public Health Service Professional Advisory Committee and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Ferris seconded by Legislator Drake and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Peck introduced a resolution authorizing agreement with Community Action Planning Council of Jefferson County, Inc. for the provision of nutritional services by the Public Health Service and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Ferris seconded by Legislator Doldo and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Peck introduced a resolution authorizing contractual appointment of an Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Course Sponsor Medical Director and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Fitzpatrick seconded by Legislator Nabywaniec and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Peck introduced a resolution authorizing agreement for the Public Health Services to provide home health services for Nascentia Health and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Ferris seconded by Legislator Drake and there being no discussion, the committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Peck introduced a resolution authorizing agreement with Jefferson Community College Student Center for the provision of Nurse Practitioner services by the Public Health Service and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Drake and seconded by Legislator Ferris. Public Health Director Hall advised that this was a new opportunity for Public Health as the prior provider had staffing issues, her department has been trying to work with the JCC population for some time as theses students are at highest risk for a number of communicable diseases. This will give Public Health the chance for treatment referral, education, vaccination and prevention services for these students. Chairman Peck asked if this could be an opportunity for recruitment of nursing students to work at Public Health. Ms. Hall stated that there are opportunities now for job shadowing at Public Health for those students, but it will definitely give them increased exposure to Public Health. There being no further discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Peck introduced a resolution amending 2018 County Budget relative to additional revenue from NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance for non-custodial parent employment program funding and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Nabywaniec seconded by Legislator Fitzpatrick and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

There being no further business of the Committee, on a motion by Legislator Fitzpatrick seconded by Legislator Ferris and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert F. Hagemann, III

Clerk of Board