## **Social Programs Committee Minutes**

June 14, 2011 - 3:30 p.m.

Present: Chairman Lucia; Supervisors Collyer, Richardson, Rowland, Sausville, Wood and Southworth; Spencer Hellwig, Administrator; Ryan Moore, Mgmt. Analyst; Lisa Scaccia, Employment and Training; Press.

Chairman Lucia called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

## On a motion made by Mr. Rowland, seconded by Mr. Collyer the minutes of the May 10, 2011 meeting were approved unanimously.

Mr. Carr requested a resolution to approve funding applications and contracts for the Youth Bureau. The funding amounts were approved by the Saratoga County Advisory Youth Board at its June 6, 2011 meeting, he said.

The following New York State Office of Children and Family Services funding amounts were cut this year as follows:

YDDP (Youth Development and Delinquency Prevention): 23% SDPP (Special Delinquency Prevention Program): 32% RHYA (Runaway and Homeless Youth Act Funding): 23%

## A motion was made by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Rowland to approve Youth Bureau 2011 funding applications and contracts. Unanimous.

Ms. Scaccia requested a resolution for the application and acceptance of the Federal Workforce Investment Act funds for 2011 beginning July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. The county has seen some cuts from last year in the dislocated worker funding stream, of 17.73%; regular adult funding 14.60%; youth funds 4.85%. Due to the fact that Saratoga County is a grant recipient for all three counties, Mrs. Scaccia does all the allocations for Saratoga, Warren and Washington counties. Adult funding for Saratoga County will be 34% of the funding for a total of approximately \$162,000; Warren County will received approximately \$200,000 and Washington County approximately \$115,000. Youth funds for Saratoga County will be approximately \$180,000; Warren County approximately \$225,000 and Washington County approximately \$127,000.

Ms. Scaccia requested a resolution to accept \$739,752 in Workforce Investment Act funds for the 2011 program year and authorizing the funding applications and contracts. Unanimous.

Mr. Sausville asked what the formula was for making the distribution between the counties. Mrs. Scaccia said they take a five-year rolling average, and average the percentage of funding that was received each year. It is broken down by funding streams and then an average is taken on what each county has received each year. This is the formula that was agreed upon by the Directors of each county, she said.

Ms. Scaccia requested a resolution to authorize the application and acceptance of TANF Program funding. The program runs from July 5, 2011 to August 29, 2011, and Saratoga County will receive \$83,737 to run the program. Money will be received for the other two counties and distributed out, she said. It is expected that 60 youth will be employed at 37 sites. Wages will be minimum wage at \$7.25/hr., where the youth will be working at various locations such as the County Fair, Ballston Community Center, Town of Moreau, Mechanicville Community Center, Stillwater Central School District, Ballston Spa Central School District.

A motion was made by Mr. Rowland, seconded by Mr. Sausville to approve \$83,737 in funding for the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) Summer Youth Program. Unanimous.

Ms. Scaccia requested a resolution to authorize a new Youth Services Contract with (CAPTAIN) Captain Youth and Family Services in the amount of \$45,000, as a result of a competitive RFP process conducted by the Saratoga, Warren and Washington WIB.

Mr. Richardson requested an explanation of how CAPTAIN works. Ms. Scaccia said CAPTAIN Youth Services is an organization based in Clifton Park. They put out a proposal along with Cornell Cooperative Extension to run the county's Youth Program. Saratoga County receives approximately \$180,000 for Youth Services, of which approximately \$45,000 is funded out.

Ms. Scaccia said Employment and Training is not allowed to provide the actual services because they are they are the grant recipient for the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) presenting a conflict of interest, so an RFP went out. Captain offers before and after school care, they have services serving preschool up through high school, GED preparation courses are offered, and they assist with the National Work Readiness Credential.

A motion was made by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Sausville to approve entering into an agreement with Captain Youth and Family Services to administer the Workforce Investment Act Youth Program at a cost not to exceed \$45,000. Unanimous.

On a motion made by Mr. Rowland, seconded by Mr. Collyer the meeting was adjourned.

Repectfully submitted, Chris Sansom