

Social Programs Committee Minutes  
September 9, 2014 - 3:30 p.m.

Present: Chairman Lucia; Supervisors Lunde, Jenkins, Martin, Allen, Tollisen, Wood and Sausville; Spencer Hellwig, Administrator; Ryan Moore, Mgmt. Analyst; Press.

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

**On a motion made by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Lunde the minutes of the August 12, 2014 meeting were approved.** Mr. Tollisen abstained. **Motion Passed.**

Mr. Lucia said it was an honor to be present when the Support Collections Unit at the Social Services Building received a Certificate of Achievement for support staff for the fourteenth year. He congratulated Mrs. Potter and her staff.

Mrs. Potter said she would like to move the former (Food Stamps) now referred to as SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) from the Saratoga Springs, Woodlawn office to Ballston Spa in the County Services Building. She said this would significantly improve efficiency. There were changes to the program in 2008 and 2010 where individuals can now apply on line and a face to face interview was eliminated; therefore, there isn't a significant reason to have a separate office.

Mr. Martin asked if there are still participants coming in to the Woodlawn office for face to face meetings. Mrs. Potter said there has been a significant drop off, but people can still come in. They do come in to drop off documents, but they rarely come in for interviews.

Mr. Martin asked if a count has ever been done to see how many people are going to the Woodlawn Avenue Office versus the Ballston Spa Office. Mrs. Potter said there are numbers with regard to that, but the caseload is still heavier in Ballston Spa.

Mr. Lucia said there will be no loss of jobs in the move.

**A motion was made by Mr. Lunde, seconded by Mr. Wood to approve moving the Food Stamps/SNAP office from the Woodlawn Office to the County Services Building in Ballston Spa. Unanimous.**

**On a motion made by Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. Jenkins the meeting was adjourned unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Chris Sansom