

Health & Human Services Committee Minutes
November 2, 2022 – 4:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Phil Barrett; Committee Members Eric Connolly, Diana Edwards, John Lant, Jonathan Schopf; Supervisor Mark Hammond; Steve Bulger, Ridge Harris, Matt Rose, Christine Rush, County Administrator; Michael Hartnett, Michelle Granger; County Attorney; Sandra Cross, Office for the Aging; Daniel Kuhles, Erin Murray, Molly Pezzulo, Rachel Maxwell, Department of Health; Michael Prezioso, Mental Health; Craig Hayner, County Clerk; Sandi Cross, Rebecca Robarge, Aging and Youth Services.

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

On a motion made by Mrs. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Lant, the minutes of the October 5, 2022 meeting were approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Barrett, seconded by Mrs. Edwards, to authorize a renewal agreement with TenEleven Group, Inc. for support services for the electronic health record system at Saratoga County Mental Health and Addiction Services. Unanimous.

This agreement is for five years at an annual cost of \$67,020 per year.

A motion was made by Mr. Lant, seconded by Mr. Connolly, to authorize an agreement with the Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention Council of Saratoga County, Inc. for the provision of Family Support Navigator services. Unanimous.

The Prevention Council will cover fifty percent of the cost of the Family Support Navigator services and the County's portion, along with \$19,000 in education materials, will come from opioid settlement monies. Discussion took place regarding the role of a Family Support Navigator.

A motion was made by Mrs. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Lant, committee approval to authorize ongoing Mental Health contracts. Unanimous.

These are renewals of existing contracts with various community agencies unitizing money from New York State.

A motion was made by Mr. Lant, seconded by Mrs. Edwards, to authorize the acceptance of additional State aid from the NYS Office of Children and Family Services for Runaway Homeless Youth programs and services, authorizing an amended agreement with Captain Community Human Services. Unanimous.

Of the additional \$6,493 received from the NYS OCFS, \$5,844 will be paid to Captain Community Humans Services.

A motion was made by Mrs. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Lant, to authorize the acceptance of a Youth Sports and Education Grant through the NYS Office of Children and Family Services. Unanimous.

This grant in the amount of \$12,809 will be used to expose children in higher poverty areas to activities they may not have access to. Discussion took place regarding the details of the program.

Dr. Kuhles provided brief updates on COVID vaccination clinics, polio in New York State, the Community Health Assessment, and monkeypox. Thirty-five percent of seniors in Saratoga County have received the Bivalent booster.

A motion was made by Mrs. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Connolly, to authorize an agreement with the Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention Council of Saratoga County, Inc. for the provision of a Certified Recovery Peer Advocate. Unanimous.

This agreement will be for a three year term. Fifty percent of the cost of the advocate services will be covered by the Prevention Council. Advocate services will be available for participants in the Sheriff's Second Chance program and the Veterans' Service Agency's Peer to Peer program.

On a motion made by Mrs. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Lant, the meeting was adjourned unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Bridget Rider
Deputy Clerk of the Board