

## Health & Human Services Committee

Tuesday, August 1, 2023 3PM 40 McMaster Street, Ballston Spa, NY

## **Minutes**

Present: Chairman Phil Barrett; Committee Members John Lant, Ian Murray, Tom Richardson,

Jonathan Schopf.

Absent: Scott Ostrander, Mo Wright

Supervisor Mike Smith; Steve Bulger, Ridge Harris, Stephanie Hodgson, Matt Rose, Ann VanVorst, County Administrator; Michelle Granger, County Attorney; Megan Johnson, Mental

Health & Addiction; Sandra Cross, Office for the Aging & Youth Services.

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

On a motion made by Mr. Schopf, seconded by Mr. Lant, the minutes of the June 27, 2023 meeting were approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Lant, seconded by Mr. Richardson, to amend Resolution 200-2022, authorizing amendments to Mental Health contracts to include State-funded cost of living increases, a minimum wage increase, a stipend for supported housing beds, and amending the 2023 County budget in relation thereto. Unanimous.

This additional state aid is in the amount of \$103,425. The minimum wage increase is effective as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, the others are effective as of April 1<sup>st</sup>.

A motion was made by Mr. Schopf, seconded by Mr. Lant, to amend Resolution 201-2022, authorizing an amended agreement with the Alcohol and Substance Abuse Prevention Council of Saratoga Inc. for the provision of a Cost of Living adjustment for the Certified Recovery Peer Advocate Services. Unanimous.

This additional aid is in the amount of \$2,490.

A motion was made by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Murray, to authorize the acceptance of Health Insurance Information, Counseling and Assistance Volunteer Stipend Program Funding administered through the NYS Office for the Aging, and amending the 2023 County budget in relation thereto. Unanimous.

This funding in the amount of \$900 will be divided up among the three program volunteers.

Ms. Cross stated that free lifeguarding courses will be offered again in the fall.

Ms. Cross announced that the Senior Picnic will take place on September 7, 2023 at the Saratoga County Fairgrounds.

On a motion made by Mr. Schopf, seconded by Mr. Murray, the meeting was adjourned unanimously.

Respectfully submitted, Bridget Rider Deputy Clerk of the Board