Herkimer County Legislature Committee on Human Resources and Ways & Means Committee Meeting Thursday, August 31, 2023

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Following County Properties Ways & Means

Persons Attending:

Robert J. Schrader (Human Resources committee member)

Patrick E. Russell (Chairman, Ways & Means, Human Resources committee member)

Raymond Johnson (committee member, both)

Bob D. Hollum (Human Resources committee member)

Peter J. Campione (Ways & Means committee member)

Ray Donley (Ways & Means committee member)

Vincent J. Bono (Chairman of the Legislature)

James W. Wallace, Jr., County Administrator

Brandy Serow, Secretary to Co. Administrator

Lorraine Lewandrowski, County Attorney

Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer

Steve Billings, Personnel Officer

Timothy Seymour, Commissioner of Social Services

Christina Cain, Director of Public Health

Kathy Fox, Director of Office for the Aging

Kristen Snyder-Branner, Director of Community Services

(Non Committee Members Signed In)

Legislator Mark Gaworecki

Legislator Peter F. Manno

Legislator Rodney Swartz

Legislator Frederick J. Shaw, Jr.

Absent:

William Weakley (Chairman, Human Resources)

Gregory Malta, Sr. (Human Resources committee member)

Kurt J. Ackerman (Ways & Means committee member)

John P. Stephens (Ways & Means committee member)

Mr. Schrader for the Human Resources Committee called the meeting to order at 10:34 a.m.

Items discussed:

HUMAN RESOURCES AND WAYS & MEANS:

- 1. Amend Salary Schedule No. II and No. III to increase wages for case workers
- 2. Amend Salary Schedule in Public Health for restructuring
- 3. Amend Salary Schedule in OFA
- 4. Accept additional funding and amend budget for Title IIIB in OFA
- 5. Accept additional funding and amend budget for Unmet Needs in OFA
- 6. Accept additional funding and amend budget for IIIE Respite Program in OFA
- 7. Accept additional funding and amend budget for III C2 Home Delivered Meals in OFA
- 8. Accept additional funding and amend budget for the MIPPA/ADRC program
- 9. Review of results of Age Friendly Survey and next steps in OFA
- 10. Approve renewal of contract with the Beacon Center in Mental Health
- 11. Amending contracts and 2023 Budget due to increased State funding in Mental Health

- 12. Accept additional funding and amend budget in connection with the Doula grant in Public Health
- 13. Approve renewal of contract with NYS Department of Health for Immunization Action Plan, authorize Chairman to E-sign, create a project and amend 2023 budget in Public Health
- 14. Approve renewal of contract with ICAN in Public Health
- 15. Authorize renewal of contract with Catholic Charities of Herkimer County and DSS for a Youth Violence Prevention Program for schools in Herkimer County
- 16. Approve contract with Neighborhood Center to establish the position of a licensed or master-level clinician in DSS
- 17. Other

Committee Vote Record:

HUMAN RESOURCES AND WAYS & MEANS:

On motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Russell for the Human Resources Committee and on motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Johnson for the Ways & Means Committee, the committees went into Executive Session at 10:34 a.m., under Public Officer's Law, Section 105 (f).

Item #1 – On motion of Mr. Hollum, seconded by Mr. Johnson for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Bono for Ways & Means, Item #1 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 4.

Item #2 – On motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Bono for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Bono for Ways & Means, Item #2 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 4.

Item #3 – On motion of Mr. Hollum, seconded by Mr. Johnson for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Donley for Ways & Means, Item #3 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 4.

On motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Johnson for the Human Resources Committee and on motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Johnson for the Ways & Means Committee, the committees came out of Executive Session at 11:00 a.m.

On motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Schrader for the Human Resources Committee and on motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Russell for the Ways & Means Committee, the committees voted to combine Item #4 through Item #8.

Item #4 – Item #8 - On motion of Mr. Hollum, seconded by Mr. Bono for the Human Resources Committee and on motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Donley for Ways & Means Committee, Item #4 through Item #8 were voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 4.

Item #9 – Discussion only. No vote taken.

Item #10 – On motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Schrader for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Campione for Ways & Means, Item #10 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 4.

Item #11 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Johnson for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Russell for Ways & Means, Item #11 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 4.

Item #12 – On motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Johnson for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Johnson for Ways & Means, Item #12 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 4.

Item #13 – On motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Johnson for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Johnson for Ways & Means, Item #13 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 4.

Item #14 – On motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Bono for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Bono for Ways & Means, Item #14 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 4.

Item #15 – On motion of Mr. Hollum, seconded by Mr. Johnson for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Johnson for Ways & Means, Item #15 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 4.

Item #16 – On motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Hollum for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Bono for Ways & Means, Item #16 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 4.

Item #17 - N/A.

The Human Resources and Ways & Means Committees continued.