

**Herkimer County Legislature
Committee on Human Resources and Ways & Means
Committee Meeting
Friday, December 4, 2020
Via Zoom
Follows County Properties and Ways & Means**

Persons Attending:

Frederick J. Shaw, Jr. (Chairman, Human Resources/W&M committee member)
Raymond Smith (committee member, both)
Peter F. Manno (Human Resources committee member)
Mark Gaworecki (Human Resources committee member)
Robert J. Schrader (Human Resources committee member)
Patrick E. Russell (Chairman, Ways & Means)
Kurt J. Ackerman (Ways & Means committee member)
Raymond Johnson (Ways & Means committee member)
John P Stephens (Ways & Means committee member)
Vincent J. Bono (Chairman of the Legislature)
James W. Wallace, Jr., County Administrator
Brandy Serow, Sec. to County Administrator
Lorraine Lewandrowski, County Attorney
Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer
Steve Billings, Personnel Officer
Kathy Fox, Director of Office for the Aging
Kristen Snyder-Branner, Director of Community Services
Timothy Seymour, Commissioner of Social Services

(Non Committee Members Signed In)

Legislator Bob D. Hollum
Legislator William E. Keeler, Sr.
Legislator John L. Brezinski
Legislator Ray Donley
Legislator Peter J. Campione
Legislator William Weakley

Absent:

Gregory Malta, Sr. (Human Resources committee member)

Mr. Manno called the meeting to order at 9:50 a.m.

Items discussed:

HUMAN RESOURCES AND WAYS & MEANS:

1. Approve renewal of contract for Meals on Wheels in Old Forge
2. Approve renewal of contract for Meals on Wheels in Little Falls and Dolgeville
3. Approve renewal of contract with Community Transportation Services, Ltd. for Office for the Aging
4. Approve renewal of contract with Legal Aid Society of Mid-New York in Office for the Aging
5. Approve renewal of MOU with the Alzheimer's Association for respite services in Office for the Aging
6. Approve amendment of contract with TenEleven group to add an additional prescriber in Mental Health

7. Approve contracts for Flexible Funds for Family Services Plan in DSS
8. Renew agreements and authorize Chairman to sign each as amended for Welfare Fraud and Program Integrity efforts in DSS
9. Approve renewal of agreement with ICAN for two full time preventive services workers in DSS
10. Approve purchase of computers and scanners in DSS
11. Approve MOU with the Resource Center for Independent Living in DSS
12. Accept funds, amend budget and create account in DSS for Family First funding
13. Other

Committee Vote Record:

HUMAN RESOURCES AND WAYS & MEANS:

Mr. Manno: "First item is to approve renewal of the contract for Meals on Wheels in Old Forge."

Item #1 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Shaw for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Johnson for Ways & Means, Item #1 was voted on and approved. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Mr. Manno: "Second item is approve the renewal of contract for Meals on Wheels in Little Falls and Dolgeville. Do I have a motion?"

Item #2 – On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Shaw for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Bono for Ways & Means, Item #2 was voted on and approved. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Mr. Manno: "Third item is to approve the renewal of contract with Community Transportation Services, Ltd. for Office for the Aging. Do I have motion?"

Item #3 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Campione for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Stephens for Ways & Means, Item #3 was voted on and approved. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Mr. Manno: "The fourth item is approve renewal of contract with Legal Aid Society of Mid-New York in Office for the Aging. Do I have a motion?"

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

Mr. Manno: "The fifth item, approve the renewal of MOU with the Alzheimer's Association for respite services in Office for the Aging. Do I have a motion?"

Item #5 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Smith for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Shaw for Ways & Means, Item #5 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Mr. Manno: "Number six approve amendment of contract with TenEleven group to add an additional prescriber in Mental Health. Can I have a motion?"

Item #6 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Shaw for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Stephens for Ways & Means, Item #6 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Mr. Manno: “Number seven approve contracts for Flexible Funds for Family Services Plan in DSS. Do I have motion?”

Item #7 – On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Schrader for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Shaw for Ways & Means, Item #7 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Mr. Manno: “Number eight Renew agreements and authorize Chairman to sign each as amended for Welfare Fraud and Program Integrity efforts in DSS. Do I have a Motion?”

Item #8 – On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Shaw for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Bono for Ways & Means, Item #8 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Mr. Manno: “Moving on to number nine approve renewal of agreement with ICAN for two full time preventive services workers in DSS. Do I have a motion?”

Item #9 – On motion of Mr. Shaw, seconded by Mr. Bono for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Stephens for Ways & Means, Item #9 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Mr. Manno: “Number ten approve purchase of computers and scanners in DSS.”

Item #10 – On motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Schrader for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Stephens for Ways & Means, Item #10 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Mr. Russell: “Is this money coming out of our computer reserve fund?”

Tim Seymour: “No Pat. That money is going to come from Medicaid. The savings that we had. We had over \$800,000 this year in savings in Medicaid.”

Mr. Russell: “That’s nice. Thanks Tim.”

Tim Seymour: “You are welcome.”

Mr. Manno: “Approve the MOU with the Resource Center for Independent Living in DSS.”

Item #11 – On motion of Mr. Shaw, seconded by Mr. Schrader for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Shaw for Ways & Means, Item #11 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Mr. Manno: “Number twelve accept funds, amend budget and create account in DSS for Family First funding. Do I have a motion?”

Item #12 – On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Shaw for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Bono for Ways & Means, Item #12 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Mr. Manno: “Anybody have anything for other?”

Item #13 – N/A.

At 9:59 a.m., on motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Shaw, the Human Resources Committee adjourned.

The Ways & Means Committee continued.