

Public Health & Social Services Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: April 13, 2020 – 5:00 PM
LOCATION: Powered by Zoom Meeting by Dialing (646) 558-8656,
Meeting ID: 859 627 422
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Craig Lopez
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Victoria Fabella, Jay Mahler, Nettie Tomshaw
PRESENT: Legislators Criswell, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle, Donaldson
ABSENT: None
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislator Bartels, Legislative Clerk Fabella, Deputy Leg. Clerk Mahler, Deputy County Executive Marc Rider, Mid-Hudson News

Chair Lopez called the meeting to order at 5:03 PM.

Legislative Chairman Donaldson spoke briefly - welcoming the PHSS committee as the first official/kickoff legislative committee meeting powered by Zoom meeting. See attached transcript.

Motion No. 1: **Moved to Approve Minutes of the March 2, 2020 meeting**

Motion By: Legislator Uchitelle
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Criswell
Discussion: None
Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Criswell, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Minutes APPROVED**

Resolutions for the April 28, 2020 Session of the Legislature

Resolution No. 99: Reestablishing The Ulster County Trails Advisory Committee – Ulster County Legislature

Resolution Summary: This resolution re-establishes the UC Trails Advisory Committee. Not more than (14) appointments can be made by the Legislature. Term expires 12/31/2021.

Motion No. 2 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 99**
Motion Made By: Legislator Criswell
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bruno

Discussion: See attached transcript.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Criswell, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 146: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Rising Ground, Inc. – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Rising Ground, Inc. for foster care services. Prior Amt. \$200K, Amd. Amt. \$150K, Total Amt. \$350K. Federal 36%, State 29%, County 35%.

Motion No. 3 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 146**
Motion Made By: Legislator Petit
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Criswell

Discussion: See attached transcript.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Criswell, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 147: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Julia Dyckman Andrus Memorial, Inc. – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Julia Dyckman Andrus Memorial, Inc. for foster care services. Prior Amt. \$200K, Amd. Amt. \$100K, Total Amt. \$300K. Federal 36%, State 29%, County 35%.

Motion No. 4 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 147**
Motion Made By: Legislator Petit
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bruno

Discussion: See attached transcript.
Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Criswell, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 148: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gateway Community Industries, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Gateway Community Industries, Inc. for increased OMH, OASAS & OPWDD State aid. Prior Amt. \$2,525,365.00, Amd. Amt. \$195.5K, Total Amt. \$2,720,814.00 State 96%, County 4%.

Motion No. 5 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 148**
Motion Made By: Legislator Criswell
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit

Discussion: See attached transcript.
Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Criswell, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Motion No. 6 **Resolve to Block Resolution Nos. 151, 152, 153 for April 28, Session**

Motion Made By: Legislator Bruno
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit

Discussion: See attached transcript.

Resolution No. 151 – Confirming Appointment Of A Member To The Community Services Board

Resolution Summary: This resolution confirms the appointment of Robert Gelbach to the Community Services Board. Term present to 12/31/2021.

Resolution No. 152 – Confirming Appointment Of A Member To The Community Services Board’s Mental Health Subcommittee

Resolution Summary: This resolution confirms the appointment of Robert Gelbach to the Community Services Board Mental Health Subcommittee. Term present to 12/31/2021.

Resolution No. 153 – Confirming Appointment Of A Member To The Community Services Board

Resolution Summary: This resolution confirms the appointment of Kathleen Gray to the Community Services Board. Term present to 12/31/2022.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Criswell, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolutions adopted to Block

Motion No. 7 **Resolve to Approve Resolution Nos. 151, 152, 153 for April 28, Session**

Motion Made By: Legislator Bruno

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Uchitelle

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Criswell, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolutions adopted

Resolution No. 154: Confirming Appointment Of A Member To The Community Services Board’s Substance Abuse Subcommittee

Resolution Summary: This resolution confirms the appointment of Kathleen Gray to the Community Services Board’s Substance Abuse Subcommittee. Term present to 12/31/2022.

Motion No. 8 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 154**

Motion Made By: Legislator Uchitelle

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bruno

Discussion: See attached transcript.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Criswell, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 156: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Amendment To The Contract With The New York City Department of Environmental Protection To Continue Delegation Of Administration Of Section 18-38 Of The Watershed Regulations

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chair of the UC Legislature to execute an amendment to a contract with the NYC DEP to continue the delegation of administration of Section 18-38 of the watershed regulations. This 5-year contract authorizes the UC DOH to review and issue written determinations for all new and remediated subsurface sewage treatment systems within the watershed of the NYC water supply within the county. 5-Yr. Revenue total \$150K.

Motion No. 9 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 156**
Motion Made By: Legislator Criswell
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bruno

Discussion: See attached transcript.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Criswell, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 157: Amending The 2020 Ulster County Budget – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution amends the UC 2020 budget to allow for proper transfer of 2019 and 2020 State, Federal and other grant funds from various department accounts allowing for processing and payment of contractual SNAP, CAPTA/CARA, and Family First Transition funds. \$196.8K additional 2020 appropriation dollars.

Motion No. 10 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 157**
Motion Made By: Legislator Uchitelle
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit

Discussion: See attached transcript.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Criswell, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle

Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 158: Amending The 2020 Ulster County Budget To Accept An Allocation Of Child Abuse Or Neglect Prevention And Treatment Act (CAPTA) Comprehensive Addiction And Recovery Act of 2016 (CARA) Funds From The New York State Office Of Children And Family Services – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution amends the 2020 UC budget accepting funds from the NYS Office of Children and Family Services, DSS. The funding is designed to help improve response time to families and infants affected by substance use disorders (both alcohol and drugs). No County contribution or matching funding required. Federal \$70K

Motion No. 11 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 158**
Motion Made By: Legislator Bruno
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit

Discussion: See attached transcript.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Criswell, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 159: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute Intermunicipal Agreements With The Town Of Saugerties And The Village Of Ellenville To Provide The Services Of Domestic Violence Investigators To The Ulster County Family And Child Advocacy Center – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chair of the UC Legislature to execute intermunicipal agreements with both the Town of Saugerties and Village of Ellenville providing domestic violence investigator services to the UC Family and Child Advocacy Center, DSS. \$150K budgeted 2020 Dept. of Social Services appropriation dollars.

Motion No. 12 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 159**
Motion Made By: Legislator Criswell
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bruno

Discussion: See attached transcript.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Criswell, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 160: Amending The 2020 Ulster County Budget To Accept An Allocation Of Funds From The National Center On Child Abuse And Neglect To Enhance The Family Assessment Response Program – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution amends the 2020 UC budget to accept funds from the National Center on Child Abuse and Neglect helping to enhance the DSS Family Assessment Response program. The funds will be used exclusively to provide families with access to short-term or one-time goods and/or services to meet their needs to help keep their children safe and reduce the likelihood of child abuse and neglect. Federal \$5.3K.

Motion No. 13 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 160**
Motion Made By: Legislator Bruno
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit

Discussion: See attached transcript.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Criswell, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 161: Amending The 2020 Ulster County Budget To Accept An Additional Allocation Of Funds From The New York State Office Of Children And Family Services To Continue Safe Harbour Programming – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution amends the 2020 UC budget to accept an additional allocation of funds from NYS Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) to continue the 2020 Safe Harbour program. No County contribution or matching funding is required. State \$43.4K.

Motion No. 14 **Moved to Discuss & Adopt Resolution No. 161**
Motion Made By: Legislator Bruno
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit

Discussion: See attached transcript.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Criswell, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted

Chair Lopez asked if there was any other business, and hearing none;

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Bruno
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0

TIME: 5:33 PM

Respectfully submitted: Nettie Tomshaw, Legislative Staff
Minutes Approved: May 4, 2020

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Lopez: All right, I will call our zoom meeting to order.

Donaldson: I just figured this was your first official committee meeting of the month and I would like to commend our staff for seeking out how to do these virtual meetings. Of course, a number have been doing this in the past, but never use them for this until this year of course, and hopefully you won't have to do this too much longer. Alright, just say hello to everybody, and I'll let you get to work, I don't want to bug you I know you have a lot on the agenda. So, I know the first ones on the agenda for the trails, which is something we each made some slight changes to and hopefully they'll be able to have meetings once we establish the committee again, but who knows when that'll will actually happen. Any way I'll be signing out, I just wanted to stop by and say hello.

Committee Members: Thanks Dave, stay well.

Bruno: It's allergies trust me.

Lopez: I don't know.

Bruno: I'll open my eyes you can see my eyes are all...

Petit: Where's ... (Inaudible)

Lopez: All right, well, we called the meeting to order. We'll start with the approval of the minutes. Motion.

Bruno: I'll make a motion to approve the minutes as emailed.

Lopez: Second?

Petit: Am I muted again?

Uchitelle: Second it.

Lopez: No I hear you. Ok, alright discussion? All in favor?

All Members: Aye (5-0)

Lopez: Okay, very good. Well I guess I have to say oppose to right, cause don't you have to like vocalize your objections now that way it's not like a yes or just an assumption. All right. Very good.

Lopez: Alright, we will move right into the resolutions then and we will start with Resolution 99, reestablishing the Ulster County trails committee. This was held off last month. There was some, some clarification that a, the committee wanted and I know that there was some discussion on it, this and other committee's Economic Development, and I'm hoping that those concerns were satisfied. If you can move for discussion, and

Criswell: I'll move for discussion.

Lopez: And second?

Bruno: I'll second it.

Lopez: Alright, any further discussion on it?

Criswell: I just wanted to say that I've read it and seems that the adjustments have clarified the whole concept for me, so.

Bruno: I agree, I read it. And I also spoke to Chairman Donaldson about it. And it made sense once I spoke with him, so I'm good with it.

Uchitelle: Yeah, but I feel the same way. I'm happy with the edits. And Dave and I went back and forth a little bit and got to a place where, and I'm on the Economic Development Committee, I'll say the same thing there and I'm confident if it gets through our, you know, no reason to hold it up here and no reason to hold it up there.

Lopez: Sure

Bruno: Exactly

Petit: So everybody was comfortable because you know, we do, we have a small part of our trails is rail, and you're, you're comfortable that this will, you know, include them in some respect.

Uchitelle: The level of inclusion, you know, for the, the member, the composition of the committee was never in question so, to the level of you know, the members of the committee as denoted by this resolution are, you know, the level of inclusion. And I'm comfortable with that.

Lopez: Okay. Any further discussion?

Criswell: Yeah, I just I just want to say to what Laura was saying, I think what what works for me was that the reference to the study was clarified, rather than referencing the committee, it referenced the study. And so it made it more of a historical kind of a note, rather than referencing something that was an active committee, is that correct? Dave? Is that what you guys did?

Uchitelle: Yeah. Well, and we the whereas clause that was struck, you know my lack of comfort with it came from the clause, implying that this resolution, was making a recommendation on a project, and that's not what it's doing. It's creating a committee so we struck the mention of a phase one project. And but still that the same study that made that recommendation also made the recommendation for this committee so of course it should be included in the document.

Criswell: I make a motion that we approve it as amended.

Bruno/ Committee Members: I Second it.

Lopez: Okay. All in favor?

All Members: Aye (5-0)

Lopez: All right very good. Well, opposed?

Lopez: We will move on to Resolution 146. Approving the execution of a contract amendment in excess of \$50,000 entered into by the County with Rising Ground.

Lopez: A moved for discussion.

Petit: I'll move it.

Lopez: Alright, second?

Criswell: Second.

Rider: Can I just a, real quickly add one thing on it.

Tomshaw: Need a second?

Criswell: I second it.

Lopez: Yes, it was seconded. Yep. Okay, go ahead Marc.

Rider: I know at the committee chair meeting Legislator Bartels had asked for some numbers and some quarterly reports based off this contract and the next one. I have reached out to DSS, that meeting was on Friday. So, I won't have that information for this meeting, but plan on having it prior to session, which is just the number of slots that were sending to these agencies and any kind of performance measures that were doing. We require quarterly contracts. So, we'll be providing that information. We are increasing costs here for both this contract and the next one, Resolution 147 because we have exceeded the amount of placements that we had kind of a guesstimate on prior to executing this contract.

Lopez: Okay, any other discussion? All right. Hearing none, all in favor?

Criswell: Sorry about that. I just had a quick question for Marc.

Lopez: Oh yeah, yeah sure.

Criswell: Marc is that, is that typical that the adjustment happens? And is that usually like the first quarter adjustment or is it a mid-year adjustment?

Rider: It's all various there's honestly there's contracts that we have for these agencies where we don't place a child and it's, it's based off a very specialized placement. It's either geography or the reason that you know the specialty that these foster care agencies have. So, we sometimes don't have a need to place someone in a specific contract and sometimes, like here we have to increase the number of allotted slots.

Criswell: Got it. Okay, so it's really like an as needed as used service kind of thing. Okay.

Rider: Yep.

Lopez: Okay, All in favor?

All Members: Aye. (5-0)

Bruno: I shouldn't be waiving my hand to turn the light on.

Lopez: And no opposed?

Criswell: I think we actually – don't we have a motion to approve it. I don't think we did that.

Petit: Yeah.

Lopez: Yeah, yeah, we moved for discussion, there was a second.

Criswell: Move for discussion but we didn't actually then move to approve the resolution.

Lopez: Yeah, we just did I did all in favor.

Criswell: Oh, I'm sorry. I didn't hear that, didn't hear that. Sorry about that.

Lopez: Yeah, not a problem. All right. Very good. Well, we voted and it was approved no opposed so. We will move on to resolution 147. approving the execution of a contract amendment in excess of \$50,000 with the Julia Dyckman Andres Memorial.

Lopez: Moved for discussion.

Petit: This is Laura I'll move it.

Lopez: Okay.

Bruno: I'll second.

Lopez: Second. And discussion on the resolution?

Petit: I'm trying to catch up, apparently...

Bruno: Marc, got anything?

Rider: I mean, so this is the same as the last it's just a different cost of care agency, similar situation.

Petit: So, Marc do we do we put out RFPs for this type of care we've been working with these folks for a while.

Rider: Typically, there's only a certain amount that are licensed throughout the state that will meet the needs that we have. You know, sometimes the different agencies will only take foster children in certain demographic etc. So, we have different needs within the agencies we try to match (inaudible).

Petit: Okay, thank you.

Lopez: Alright, anything else? All the favor?

All Members: Aye. (5-0)

Lopez: Opposed? Okay, carried.

Lopez: We will move to 148 approving the execution of a contract in excess of \$50,000 with Gateway Community Industries.

Lopez: Moved for discussion?

Criswell: Yeah I'll move that.

Petit: I'll second.

Lopez: Okay discussion, questions, concerns, nothing?

Bruno: I don't.

Lopez: Okay.

Bruno: It's Gateway.

Lopez: Right, yeah, know of course.

Bruno: Yeah. It's pretty much a no brainer in my mind.

Lopez: All right.

Bruno: I'll make a motion that we accept it.

Lopez: Hearing none. All in favor?

All Members: Aye. (5-0)

Lopez: Opposed? Carried, very good.

Lopez: We will move on to resolution 151 confirming the appointment of a member to the Community Services Board.

Bruno: Can we block 151 through 154?

Lopez: Through 154, well 154 is for the at the subcommittee at the substance abuse subcommittee, so that may be different we could do 151 oh you know, 151 through 153, I believe.

Bruno: Ok, I make a motion on the ones we can.

Lopez: Motion on the block and second?

Petit: I second.

Lopez: Alright discussion on the block.

Lopez: And then on the resolutions, motion to approve?

Petit: Yeah. Is this - I thought that we had a Drug Task Force is this formalizing it? Is this something different?

Rider: Community Services Board is required by the state it's one that we've always had. And it's more for overall mental health not, not a, well, they have a, they do have a certain subcommittee's. But the Community Services Board is what kind of oversees our Mental Health department.

Petit: Okay. Which is different than because we've also appointed people to Mental Health I thought.

Rider: So, this has subcommittee's, the Community Services Board is one piece and then the Community Services Board itself has different subcommittees. One is the Substance Abuse Subcommittee. One is Mental Health Subcommittee. So you're appointing people to the board, and then you're also appointing them to subcommittee's.

Petit: Thank you. Are there minutes for these boards?

Rider: Yes

Lopez: Yes, absolutely.

Rider: Inaudible.

Lopez: I'm sorry?

Rider: Oh, I was just asking Vicky if staff or Jay, If you guys get oh Nettie sorry, any of you, if you get minutes for these?

Tomshaw: Yes.

Lopez: Okay. Are they available online or that would that be through the office through the staff? Not sure if they post them or not.

Petit: I can get in touch with Vicki or Jay or Nettie later. Thank you.

Lopez: Okay. All right.

Rider: Craig, I believe they're available both online, but I believe Legislative staff has a copy of them.

Tomshaw: That's correct.

Lopez: Okay, all right very good. Um, and then on the resolutions?

Petit: Aye

Uchitelle: Do we have a motion on the floor to approve them as blocked?

Petit: Yeah.

Lopez: There was. Where did the motion come from?

Bruno: I've made a motion to block them.

Tomshaw: Laura second it.

Petit: Yep

Lopez/Criswell: OK then a motion to approve the blocked resolutions.

Lopez: And a second?

Uchitelle: I'll second that.

Lopez: Ok on the resolutions, all in favor?

All Members: Aye. (5-0)

Lopez: Opposed? Okay, we got it!

Bruno: Might have been faster if we didn't block them.

Lopez: Maybe.

Uchitelle: You got to count the number of times you have to do that.

Lopez: Yeah.

Lopez: All right. I'm resolution 154 confirming the appointment of a member to the Community Services Board Substance Abuse Subcommittee. I guess...

Bruno: Motion to discuss.

Lopez: Yeah, I guess we potentially could have blocked that one it was part of the Community Services Board but yeah, now you're all right. Yeah, I see you throwing up your hands, anyway yeah anyway ok.

Bruno: No worries.

Lopez: Motion.

Uchitelle: I move.

Lopez: Second?

Bruno: Second.

Lopez: All right discussion? Hearing none All in favor?

All Members: Aye. (5-0)

Lopez: Resolution 156 authorizing the chair of the Ulster County Legislature to execute an amendment to the contract with the New York City Department of Environmental Protection to continue delegation of administration on Section 18 through 38 of the watershed regulations.

Criswell: I'll move to discuss.

Bruno: Second.

Lopez: Discussion?

Criswell: Is Marc still on the line?

Rider: Yep.

Lopez: Yeah should be.

Criswell: This is this is a multi-year contract, right?

Rider: Correct.

Criswell: So, this amendment is for the entire multi-year contract or just for this year?

Rider: This is for the entire – this is to amend the contract, but it would be for the entire...

Criswell: Life of that contract right. Okay. So if there are further amendments, say next year or something, you'll have to pick it up with whatever the remainder of that contract was at that point. Right?

Rider: Correct.

Criswell: Ok.

Rider: And just so people are aware we get this is revenue money coming in, we do water treatment, we permit the water treatment and inspect water treatment systems. So, this is just the DEP giving us money to do it for properties within the budget.

Criswell: Great

Bruno: I make a motion.

Lopez: You don't have to move it.

Bruno: Nope, Ok.

Lopez: It's already been moved and second and discussion. And so all in favor.

All Members: Aye. (5-0)

Lopez: Oppose, okay. Carried.

Lopez: Resolution 157 amending the 2020 Ulster County budget.

Lopez: Moved for discussion? You got a motion?

Uchitelle: Yeah I'll move to discuss.

Lopez: Alright, a second?

Petit: I'll second.

Lopez: Yeah, so definitely Marc if you can speak to this.

Rider: Sure. So, this is just taking our snap grants (CAPTA) and (CARA) and our family first transition funds and transferring, basically, we're transferring funds that were in 2019 that were unspent in 2019 and carrying them over to the 2020.

Criswell: I just had one question Marc. Why, why are these put together because they're really different programs.

Rider: They're, they're separate lines within the Department of Social Services. I mean, it's, it's accepting carryover transfer funds. So OTDA basically just gives us the ability to transfer these over from, you know, unspent money and also CFS. Unspent money in one year carried over to the next and so it was easy to just have them be - since there only dealing with one department in one shot.

Criswell: I just I didn't see the connection between these two I couldn't quite understand that. Ok.

Lopez: Anyone else?

Petit: As far as the snap goes, you know, being out there delivering food, especially to some of these hotels where we're putting up um folks before they find permanent housing. They've been complaining that their benefits are getting cut. Is it possible to talk with you offline or just to try to figure out why, why they've been saying their benefits are getting cut in there? You know, because, because UCAT's not running right now they're having I mean, food insecurity is bad. I signed up four more people up at that hotel for food, but three times a week isn't enough. And I see had almost 120,000 that we're transferring over from last year.

Lopez: What was the reason that they had their benefits cut do they mentioned?

Petit: I don't know but I had three separate people on three separate occasions telling me that their benefits have been cut.

Lopez: Their SNAP benefits have been cut?

Petit: Just snap, and you know, just general, I don't know what you would call the other one, allotment?

Rider: Yeah. I mean, I'm happy to have a conversation offline about it, I'll say that these are going to be very personalized situations and not knowing any of the details. I'm not going to be able to give you any answers for this, because it's not like, you know, obviously in this time, they're definitely not doing across the board cuts in (inaudible).

Petit: Ok, I guess that was more of a concern, you know, that, you know, perhaps that was across the board, you know, and seeing that with the unemployment, you probably going to have more of a need right now. So, I'm glad we had something left from last year that we can transfer over.

Lopez: Like Marc said, you'd have to know more details. It's got to be on individual basis. I I'm not aware of any cuts across the board that would affect somebody like that. And you said what there were three people or more?

Petit: There were three, yeah.

Lopez: Yeah.

Petit: I mean, I don't want to fret too much. But you know when you are...

Lopez: No, definitely. Yeah. Yeah. You don't know, know the individual situation and as to why they were cut, so, yeah, you could always follow up, you know if they follow up with you and then I'm sure with Marc or I, so, okay. Alright very good.

Criswell: We need a motion to... Motion.

Lopez: Yeah. All in favor?

All Members: Aye. (5-0)

Lopez: Opposed? Very good okay.

Lopez: Resolution 158. This is amending the 2020 budget to accept an allocation of child abuse or neglect prevention and treatment. This is from (CARA), the New York State Office of Children and Family Services.

Lopez: And a motion for discussion?

Bruno: I'll make the motion.

Lopez: Second?

Petit: I'll second.

Lopez: Okay. Any discussion?

Bruno: We'll accept the money period. (laughter) This is on the other side.

Rider: It's an increase of the grant fund.

Lopez: Yep

Bruno: Yeah, it's a no brainer.

Lopez: Absolutely. Okay. Anything else? All in favor?

All Members: Aye. (5-0)

Lopez: Resolution 159, authorizing the chair of the Ulster County Legislature to execute an inter-municipal agreement with the Town of Saugerties and the Village of Ellenville to provide the services to domestic violence investigators to the Ulster County Family and Child Advocacy Center.

Criswell: I move for discussion.

Bruno: I'll second it. I don't have to recuse myself for this do I.

Lopez: Why?

Bruno: Because I'm part of Saugerties.

Lopez: Because you're from Saugerties?

Bruno: Yeah, because that's who I represent. I just want to make sure.

Lopez: No

Uchitelle: No, if anything your...

Bruno: I'm all for it. Trust me.

Uchitelle: Yeah.

Criswell: So, I had a question about this. And this is just a newbie question. Is this a typical thing to authorize the chair to execute agreements?

Rider: For intermunicipal agreements it is. Under our charter intermunicipal agreements have to be signed by the chair.

Criswell: Okay, got it. Thank you.

Rider: Anybody want a quick brief kind of background on this or are we good.

Petit: Yeah, I mean, what I'm concerned about is given that everybody's locked up in their -their house, I'm hearing, domestics are on the rise, fortunately, traffic accidents and everything aren't. But, so yeah, if you wouldn't mind.

Rider: Sure. So, I mean, as you noted you know, there's, some I think anecdotal evidence that some of these cases are on the rise, the Family and Child Advocacy Center. We take a police officer and we have two other I think law enforcement I believe they're state police that work out of the center. We have basically four teams. We have an Ellenville police officer, a Saugerties police officer, and then the two state police. And they team up with one of the DSS employees, and they each have about a 20 case a month caseload. And these are some of our more complex physical abuse, child by fatality, domestic violence, trafficking some of our kind of more complex cases. And they work, you know, each team like I said works on about 20 of those, and we work with different municipalities, but we try to focus on where a lot of this crime is coming from and right now there's, there's, you know there's some evidence that there's some decent amount in Saugerties and Ellenville. And the other two teams work the rest. It's great for the municipalities because it gives them an opportunity to have this police officer to be trained. I think this is a two or three-year commitment to the Family and Child Advocacy Center. And then they go back and they return in half those skills a to bring back to their own police department at the end.

Bruno: Thanks, Mark.

Criswell: I move that we a, approve this resolution.

Lopez: Well,

Bruno: It's already on the table so yeah.

Lopez: It is, so, alright.

Criswell: I thought it was up for discussion.

Bruno: We're catching on. Slowly.

Lopez: All in favor?

All Members: Aye. (5-0)

Lopez: Oppose. Okay.

Bruno: Thanks Mark.

Lopez: Resolution 160 amending the 2020 budget to accept an allocation of funds from the National Center on child abuse and neglect to enhance the Family Assessment Response Program.

Bruno: I'll make the motion.

Lopez: I need a second.

Petit: I'll second.

Lopez: Okay Discussion.

Bruno: We're going to accept money to assist towards us is again another no brainer.

Lopez: Yes, sir. Okay. All right. Any other discussion? All in favor?

All Members: Aye. (5-0)

Lopez: Oppose? Okay.

Lopez: We'll go to resolution 161 amending the 2020 budget to accept an additional allocation of funds from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services to continue Safe Harbor Program. Great program.

Lopez: Motion to discuss?

Bruno: I'll make it.

Lopez: Second?

Petit: I'll second.

Bruno: Craig, you said it, it's an awesome program. I'm a little further with it, it's awesome.

Lopez: Alright very good. Any, any further discussion? We received the money? Good with that? All right. All in favor?

All Members: Aye. (5-0)

Lopez: Opposed? Alright very good. That is, yep that was it for resolutions. Do we have any a new business, old business to discuss?

Petit: Yeah, how'd you get that really cool green screen behind you?

Lopez: Who me? Yeah it was from my camera roll. It's actually a picture from when we went apple picking in New Paltz.

Petit: Nice

Lopez: Last October, yeah so yeah - option to put that back there. So yeah know it looks good.

Petit: I got to try to figure that out for next time.

Gallery: (Inaudible)

Lopez: Yep, so alrighty I think we kept it under, under the hour right Jay? Are we good?

Mahler: Good!

Petit: Motion to adjourn.

Lopez: Ok, motion to adjourn.

Bruno: I'll make a motion.

Lopez: Unless you want to stick around. Second.

Petit: I'll second it.

Lopez: Alright, all in favor?

All Members: Aye. (5-0)

All Members: Thank you everybody.