

Public Health & Social Services Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: August 30, 2021 – 5:00 PM
LOCATION: K.L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, C.O.B.
PRESIDING OFFICER: Legislator Craig Lopez
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Nettie Tomshaw
PRESENT: Legislators Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
ABSENT: Legislator Criswell
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislator John Parete, Deputy County Executive Marc Rider

Chairman Lopez called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM.

Motion No. 1: **Moved to Approve Minutes of the August 2, 2021 meeting**
Motion By: Legislator Uchitelle
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bruno
Discussion: None
Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Minutes APPROVED

Resolutions for the September 14, 2021 Session of the Legislature

Resolution No. 374: Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 6 Of 2021, A Local Law Repealing Local Law Number 2 Of 2013, And Establishing The Ulster County School-Based Mental Health And Safety Act Of 2021, To Be Held On Tuesday, October 19, 2021 At 7:00 PM

Resolution Summary: This resolution sets a public hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 6 of 2021 and establishes the UC school-based Mental Health and Safety Act of 2021, to be held on 10/19/21.

Motion No. 2 Moved to Discuss and Adopt Resolution No. 374
Motion Made By: Legislator Bruno
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit

Discussion: Chairman Lopez called upon Legislator Parete, sponsor of the proposed local law who provided an overview, noting it's a complex issue and so critical for the collaboration between county government and the school system. Schools can implement curriculum at an early age, (using the (3) R's approach – invoke throughout the entire system) as to the dangers of drugs and strong mental health. Legislator Uchitelle and committee recommended a letter be sent to all school superintendents advising the date of the public hearing. Questions for funding, revenue and repeal vs. amending Local Law No. 2 of 2013, and duplication of services was discussed. Committee discussion ensued. Note- Clerk Fabella suggested the letter go out after the September legislative session passes this resolution.

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

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 379: Confirming Appointment Of A Member To The Community Services Board

Resolution Summary: This resolution confirms the appointment of M. Torres to the Community Services Board.

Resolution No. 380: Confirming Appointment Of A Member To The Community Services Board

Resolution Summary: This resolution confirms the appointment of B. Hill to the Community Services Board.

Resolution No. 381: Confirming Appointment Of Member To The Community Services Board's Mental Health Subcommittee

Resolution Summary: This resolution confirm the appointment of B. Hill to the Community Services Board Mental Health Subcommittee.

Resolution No. 382: Confirming Appointment Of Member To The Community Services Board's Mental Health Subcommittee

Resolution Summary: This resolution confirms the appointment of B. Beachamp to the Community Services Board's Mental Health Subcommittee.

Resolution No. 383: Confirming Appointment Of A Member To The Community Services Board's PW/DD Subcommittee

Resolution Summary: This resolution confirms the appointment of J. DeBeaumont to the Community Services Board's PW/DD Subcommittee.

Motion No. 3 Moved to Block and Adopt Resolution Nos. 379, 380, 381, 382 & 383
Motion Made By: Legislator Petit
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Uchitelle

Discussion: None

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

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 408: Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Contract With The New York State Department Of Health To Participate In The Lead Poisoning Prevention Program – Department Of Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chair of the UC Legislature to execute a contract with the NYS DOH to participate in the lead poisoning prevention program.

Motion No. 4 Moved to Discuss and Adopt Resolution No. 408

Motion Made By: Legislator Petit

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Uchitelle

Discussion: None

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

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 409: Amending The 2021 Ulster County Budget To Reflect Additional Funding From New York State Department Of Health For The Epidemiology And Laboratory Capacity (ELC) COVID-19 Enhanced Detection Grant – Department Of Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution amends the 2021 UC budget to reflect additional funding from the NYS DOH for the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) COVID-19 Enhanced Detection Grant.

Motion No. 5 Moved to Discuss and Adopt Resolution No. 409
Motion Made By: Legislator Bruno
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Uchitelle

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 410: Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$79,986.92 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock, Inc. – Department Of Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with the Family of Woodstock, Inc. for \$80K for the purchase and administration of temporary emergency housing vouchers. 100% Other, Contract Dates 8/1/21 – 7/31/22.

Motion No. 6 Moved to Discuss and Adopt Resolution No. 410
Motion Made By: Legislator Petit
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Uchitelle

Discussion: Deputy County Executive Marc Rider provided an overview – the last round of the Healing Community grant. Legislator Petit confirmed funding is for hotel – temporary emergency transitional housing voucher. Committee discussion ensued.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 411: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$469,040.00 Entered Into By The County – Accucare N & H Inc. – Department Of Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Accucare N & H for \$469K to extend the term of agreement and increase funding for COVID-19 related on-site nursing services. 100% Federal, Amd. Term 9/30/21-3/31/22.

Motion No. 7 Moved to Discuss and Adopt Resolution No. 411
Motion Made By: Legislator Petit

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bruno

Discussion: Deputy County Executive Marc Rider provided an overview of COVID-19 on-site nursing services. Committee discussion ensued.

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

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 412: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For Rates Anticipated To Exceed \$50,000.000 Entered Into By The County – Westchester County Health Care Corporation D/B/A Westchester Medical Center – Department Of Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment #4 for rates anticipated to exceed \$50K with Westchester County Health Care Corp. for forensic pathology, histology, diener services and postmortem toxicology laboratory testing services. 100% County, Amd. Term 4/3/21-4/30/22.

Motion No. 8 Moved to Discuss Resolution No. 412

Motion Made By: Legislator Bruno

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit

Discussion: Deputy County Executive Marc Rider provider an overview of the contract for forensic pathology, etc. Committee discussion ensued. Legislator Petit noted she will oppose this resolution on the floor.

Motion No. 9 Moved to Discuss Adopt Resolution No. 412

Motion Made By: Legislator Uchitelle

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Petit, Uchitelle

Voting Against: Legislator Bruno

Votes in Favor: 3

Votes Against: 1

Disposition: Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 413: Rescinding Resolution No. 346 Of 2021, And Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$341,541.00 Entered Into By The County – Liberty Resources, Inc. – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution rescinds Resolution No. 346 of 2021 and approves a contract amendment for \$341.5K with Liberty Resources, Inc. due to salary increases of the MST providers, exercising the first of (3) one-year options to extend the term of agreement for the operation of the Multi-Systemic Therapy Unit. 100% State, Amd. Term 9/30/21- 9/30/22.

Motion No. 10 Moved to Discuss and Adopt Resolution No. 413
Motion Made By: Legislator Uchitelle
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bruno

Discussion: Deputy County Executive Rider provided an overview of the amendment.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 414: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$5,339.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Access: Supports for Living, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment #1 with Access: Support for Living, Inc. to increase the not-to-exceed amount of NYS OMH state aid. 100% State, Amd. Amt. \$5.3K, Amd. Term 4/1/21-12/31/21.

Motion No. 11 Moved to Discuss and Adopt Resolution No. 414
Motion Made By: Legislator Petit
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bruno

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 415: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$1,958.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Astor Services For Children & Families – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment #1 with Astor Services For Children & Families for \$1,958.00 to increase the not-to-exceed the amount of NYS OMH state aid. 69% State, 31% County. Amd. Term 4/1/21-12/31/21.

Motion No. 12 Moved to Discuss and Adopt Resolution No. 415
Motion Made By: Legislator Petit
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Uchitelle

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 416: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$6,182.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Family Of Woodstock, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment #1 with Family of Woodstock, Inc. for \$6.2K to increase the not-to-exceed the amount of NYS OMH & OASAS state aid. 75% State, 25% County. Amd. Term 4/1/21-12/31/21.

Motion No. 13 Moved to Discuss and Adopt Resolution No. 416
Motion Made By: Legislator Bruno
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Uchitelle

Discussion: Legislator Petit confirmed with Deputy Rider the employee \$15/hr. takes effect 2022. Concerns were expressed people will lose their job. Committee discussion ensued.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 417: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$756,307.00 Entered Into By The County – Gateway Community Industries, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment #1 with Gateway Community Industries, Inc. for a \$756.3K increase for OASAS and OMH funding for

COLA and decrease of (OPWDD) funding and corresponding county share. 99% State, 1% County, Amd. Term 1/1/21-12/31/21.

Motion No. 14 Moved to Discuss and Adopt Resolution No. 417

Motion Made By: Legislator Petit

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bruno

Discussion: Deputy County Executive Marc Rider provided an overview of the OASAS and OMH fluctuating state aid. Committee discussion ensued.

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

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 418: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$14,781.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Mental Health Association in Ulster County, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment #2 with Mental Health Association in UC, Inc. for \$14.8K to increase the not-to-exceed the amount of NYS OMH State Aid. 96% State, Term. 4/1/21-12/31/21.

Motion No. 15 Moved to Discuss and Adopt Resolution No. 418

Motion Made By: Legislator Uchitelle

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bruno

Discussion: Legislator Bruno confirmed the increase of OMH funding.

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

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 419: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$2,307.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – PEOPLE: Projects To Empower And Organize The Psychiatrically Labeled, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment #2 with PEOPLE, Inc. for a \$2.3K increase not-to-exceed the amount of NYS OMH State Aid. 96% State, 4% County, Amd. Term 4/1/21-12/31/21.

Motion No. 16 Moved to Discuss and Adopt Resolution No. 419
Motion Made By: Legislator Petit
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Uchitelle

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Bruno, Petit, Uchitelle
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 420: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$5,270.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment #2 with Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. for a \$5.3K increase not-to-exceed the amount of NYS OMH State Aid. 100% State, Amd. Term 4/1/21-12/31/21.

Motion No. 17 Moved to Discuss and Adopt Resolution No. 420
Motion Made By: Legislator Uchitelle
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bruno

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Bruno, Uchitelle
Voting Against: Legislator Petit
Votes in Favor: 3
Votes Against: 1
Disposition: Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 421: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$2,700.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Family Services, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment #1 with Family Services, Inc. for a \$2.7K increase not-to-exceed the amount of OASAS State Aid. 100% State, Amd. Term 1/1/21-12/31/21.

Motion No. 18 Moved to Discuss and Adopt Resolution No. 421
Motion Made By: Legislator Petit
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bruno

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Bruno Petit, Uchitelle

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution adopted.

New Business: Deputy Executive Rider noted a \$4million late ELT2 grant resolution will be coming shortly for COVID-19 weekly screening testing at schools to hire one staff member - a 10- month position to help coordinate all the school contracts.

Legislator Bruno confirmed with Deputy Executive Rider the UCDOH & state and CDC guidance for school/children mask requirements.

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

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Bruno

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Uchitelle

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

TIME: 6:10 PM

Respectfully submitted: Nettie Tomshaw, Legislative Staff

Minutes Approved: October 4, 2021