

MINUTES
HEALTH AND MEDICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
October 16, 2013

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ralph Angelo
John Champlin
John Cowley
Theodore Fafinski
Margaret Hilton (Chair)
Norman Teed

OTHERS PRESENT:

Mary Beer, Mary Gates, Diane Johnston,
Greg Powers, Cathy Bentzoni, John Garvey, Mary Krause,
Andrea Schoeneman, Tom Harvey, Tim Jensen, Bill Wright,
Steve Vanderbrook

Chairperson Hilton called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

1. **Approval of Minutes – September 25, 2013** – Supervisor Fafinski moved to approve the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Champlin and carried.
2. **MENTAL HEALTH/SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES**
 - a. **Informational: Memo regarding Office Specialist 1 Temporary position – Turnings** – Diane Johnston advised that she has requested a temporary increase in hours for a part time Office Specialist 1 for approximately three months to assist in the transition of the Turnings clinic. This request has been presented to the Management Compensation Committee.
 - b. **Informational: 2011 Fiscal Viability Information from OMH** – Diane Johnston reviewed data received from the Office of Mental Health which indicates the mental health clinic is “fiscally distressed”. Revenue has been affected due to productivity. A review of the first half of 2013 indicates productivity has improved. A meeting will be scheduled with the OMH for further discussion. Supervisor Fafinski inquired if other counties are in a similar situation. Ms. Johnston replied that other counties are looking at privatization for similar reasons. Discussion followed.
 - c. **RFP Updates** –
 - **Mental Health** – Mary Beer advised that the RFP deadline is Thursday, October 17th. It is anticipated that at least one proposal will be received.
 - **Substance Abuse Services/Turnings** –
 - The first meeting was held with FLACRA and a second meeting has been scheduled. The county timetable is for the transfer to be completed by the end of the year. The State process may take a little longer. Ms. Beer requested input from the committee in regards to allowing FLACRA to use the current space during the transition for no longer than six months either in-kind or in the form of a lease. After discussion, a motion was made by Supervisor

Fafinski, to go forward with a lease agreement with the new provider, seconded by Supervisor Angelo, and carried.

- Diane Johnston provided an employee status update. Interviews have been scheduled with interested employees.
- **Substance Abuse Prevention** – Diane Johnston updated the committee regarding the two different proposals received. The review team continues to work toward a recommendation. Discussion followed.

3. HEALTH FACILITY

a. **Resolution: Capital Project No. 02-2010 – Health Facility Fire Suppression System – Authorization to Amend the Name of the Capital Project and Budget Amendment – Dept. of Public Works – Buildings and Grounds -**

Steve Vanderbrook presented the resolution to amend the capital project to incorporate the hot water tank in addition to the fire suppression system, to modify the budget to include the hot water tank and also include an adequate contingency. He also reviewed the scope of work. When questioned if there were funds available, Cathy Bentzoni confirmed that funds were available and the cost is less than anticipated. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Supervisor Champlin, seconded by Supervisor Teed and carried.

Additional items:

- **Resolution: Authority to Contract for Professional Contractor Service – McClure Dental Services, P.C. – Ontario County Health Facility –** Mary Gates advised the committee that this resolution modifies the dates and dollar amount of the contract with McClure Dental Services which was previously approved. The date was revised to the period of April 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013, after a modification by the County Attorney's office, and the dollar amount to \$11,924.64. There was no change in the cost of the services, the amount reflects the length of the contract. A motion to approve the resolution was made by Supervisor Teed, seconded by Supervisor Angelo and carried.
- **Health Facility Update** – The following update was provided:
 - Mary Krause reported that the review team has met three times with a focus on planning, environmental issues and the purchase contract. The environmental issues will need to be completed before the contract is final.
 - Tom Harvey and Tim Jensen distributed and reviewed the details of a draft of the timetable for the Health Facility sale including the SEQR, utilities, easements and subdivision items. A map of the proposed Health Facility parcel boundary was also distributed. A public hearing is scheduled for the October 24th Board of Supervisors meeting in regards to the subdivision of the parcel and exemption from local zoning and subdivision requirements. A joint meeting of the Planning Dept. and the Town of Hopewell Planning Board/Town Board will be held October 21st to review the subdivision. Bill Wright reported that his staff has been working on the details regarding easements and utilities on the property. He advised that RG&E will require

the installation of a new electric service to separate out the utilities. That project is included in the draft timeline.

- Andrea Schoeneman provided an update on the purchase contract. She advised the Centers for Specialty Care have formed two LLCs. One LLC is for purposes of purchasing the assets (land/building) and the second LLC operates the facility. She has reviewed the draft of the purchase contract and provided comments.
 - Greg Powers provided an update on staffing. They continue with contracted agency R.N. staff to cover the evening shift. Efforts continue to recruit R.N.s. Discussion followed. He will continue to provide updates to residents, families and employees in regards to the sale of the facility.

4. PUBLIC HEALTH

- Mary Beer provided the following Public Health updates:
 - A grant from the State for the purchase of bike helmets was awarded in partnership with the Sheriff's Dept. who will distribute them at events. No county match is required.
 - The S2AY Rural Health Network was chosen by the State for a grant to address hypertension.
- Elizabeth Hoven provided an update on the Early Intervention transition to the State for the administration portion of the program related to provider payment. As of October 1st, PCG (Public Consulting Group) operating out of Tennessee was chosen as the State Fiscal Agent. There are still many issues and challenges occurring, particularly with third party insurers. Providers have 60-70% of payments outstanding. There will be a Senate hearing to receive public comment on October 22nd in response to the state takeover of this portion of the program. Ms. Hoven advised she is pleased that our providers have been willing to continue to provide services. She also advised there is a new bill in the Senate to revise payment to every 30 days.

5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S UPDATE

- Mr. Garvey requested Mary Krause share a capsule summary of what was discussed at today's meeting with Board of Supervisors members.

Being there was no further business to come before the committee, a motion to adjourn was made by Supervisor Champlin, seconded by Supervisor Angelo and carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Ernst
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