TIOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING TIOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES - AGENDA

April 5, 2022 8:30 AM

- APPROVAL OF MINUTES March 8, 2022
- FINANCIAL
- > March 2022 Budget Report

OLD BUSINESS

➤ None

NEW BUSINESS

- > Caseloads
- > Tioga Career Center Report

• PERSONNEL

- > Candis Seeley, Caseworker, last day effective 3/11/22.
- > Lorraine Wagner, AAII, last day effective 3/18/22.
- > Penny Walker, Seasonal OS1, last day effective 3/25/22.
- > Sheri McCall, Employee Center Supervisor, retired effective 3/26/22.
- > Jacqueline Burdick, Employee Center Supervisor, promoted effective 3/28/22.

• **RESOLUTIONS**

- > Authorize Salary Increase.
- > Appropriation of Funds and Amend 2022 Budget.
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• **PROCLAMATIONS**

- Child Abuse Prevention Month.
- ADJOURNMENT

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Tioga County YEAR-TO-DATE BUDGET REPORT

FOR 2022 03

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CASELOAD CHANGES - 2022

TIOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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	12/31/2021	3/31/2022	% Change
FA	138	135	-2%
SNA Singles	72	69	-4%
SNA Families	9	8	-11%
Total TA	219	212	-3%
MA-Only	2,023	2,037	1%
MA-SSI	1,163	1,160	0%
Total MA	3,186	3,197	0%
SNAP	2,644	2,755	4%
Day Care	96	92	-4%
Services	301	296	-2%
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FA	12/31/2021	3/31/2022	% Change
	228	226	-1%
SNA Singles	72	69	-4%
SNA Families	32	23	-28%
Total TA	332	318	-4%
MA-Only	2,284	2,301	1%
MA-SSI	1,163	1,160	0%
Total MA	3,447	3,461	0%
SNAP	5,000	5,236	5%
Services	721	687	-5%
		On Medicaid	
	12/31/2021	3/31/2022	% Change
	332	318	-4%
MA	3,447	3,461	0%
ADC-FC	0	0	0%
TOTAL	3,779	3,779	0%









TIOGA CAREER CENTER

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COMMITTEE MEETING 4/5/22

Current open job postings in Tioga = 454

78 new Unemployment claims opened in February but only 51 had claim effective dates in Feb. The rest were older claims that finally opened up, and 34 of the new claims were seasonal.

Unemployment:

	Jan '22	Dec '21	Jan '21
Tioga	3.8	2.7	5.8
NYS	5.3	5.0	8.5
US	3.9	4.2	6.7

This average will change a bit after NYS makes adjustments but the average Unemployment rate in Tioga County for 2021 was 4.4% down from 7.5 in 2020. We have about 800 people in Tioga Co. not employed. Our total labor force in Tioga Co. is listed as 22,100.

Changes are happening at the employment center. Sheri McCall retired and Jackie Burdick is now overseeing the Tioga Career Center. Jackie has worked with the Center for the past 18 yrs. She has provided services with the Youth Program and ran the Resource Room. Jackie did eligibility and mentoring of the Summer Youth Employment Program. Was a member of Business Services, oversaw OJTs, helped with running Job fairs and public events. Jackie continues to work closely with community services within Tioga County for the benefit of the residents.

We welcomed Debbie Bender to our team in December. She was a long-time employee of NYS D.O.L handling their Unemployment and fraud caseload.

The WIOA Youth employment program is currently partnering with the Waverly School District on Project Launch. Project Launch is a transitional services Pilot program aimed at improving vocational and educational outcomes of individuals with disabilities who have recently graduated. The project kicks off on April 11th. Due to the press other school districts, Owego, Candor and SVE have reached out to learn more about this exciting project.

REFERRED TO:

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -22 AUTHORIZE SALARY INCREASE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

WHEREAS: Legislative approval is required for salary increases within Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: The Commissioner of Social Services requested the Personnel Department review the salary of the Director of Social Services, in comparison to other salaries of Management/Confidential employees in Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: The Personnel Officer conducted the review and determined that an increase was warranted based on factors including job duties, level of responsibility, tenure, and performance evaluation results; and

WHEREAS: The appropriate annual increase for the incumbent is determined to be \$8,000; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Elizabeth Myers', Director of Social Services, 2022 annual salary be increased from \$72,066 to \$80,066 retroactive to March 10, 2022, the date the request for review was received by Personnel.

REFERRED TO:

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -22 APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS AND AMEND 2022 BUDGET SOCIAL SERVICES

WHEREAS: Tioga County Department of Social Services has received funding through the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021: Grants To Enhance Adult Protective Services administered by the Administration of Community Living (ACL); and

WHEREAS: Appropriation of funds and budget modification requires Legislative approval; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That funding be appropriated as follows:

From	: A6010.446100 Federal Aid: Administration	\$ 12,080
To:	A6010.540487 Program Expense	\$ 12,080

And be it further

RESOLVED: Available funds on 12/31/22 of the original \$12,080 will be carried forward into the New Year.

REFERRED TO:

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. -22

APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS AND AMEND 2022 BUDGET SOCIAL SERVICES

WHEREAS: Tioga County Department of Social Services has received a grant through the Regional Youth Justice Team in the amount of \$10,000 to decrease youth's progression in the Juvenile Justice System; and

WHEREAS: Appropriation of funds and budget modification requires Legislative approval; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That funding be appropriated as follows:

From	: A6010.436100 State Aid: Administration	\$ 10,000
To:	A6010.540487 Program Expense	\$ 10,000

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Department of Social Services received 1,215 reports of alleged abuse/neglect involving 2,620 children in 2021; and

WHEREAS: Child abuse is a community problem and finding solutions depends on the involvement among people throughout the community; and

WHEREAS: The effects of child abuse are felt by whole communities, and need to be addressed by the entire community; and

WHEREAS: Effective child abuse prevention programs succeed because of partnerships created among social service agencies, schools, religious and civic organizations, law enforcement agencies, and the business community; and

WHEREAS: Programs like Cornell Cooperative Extension, Lourdes PACT, Catholic Charities, Hillside's Regional Permanency Center, and Aspire Hope NY offer support and educational services to families so families can help their child achieve his/her full potential within the community; and

WHEREAS: All citizens should become more aware of the negative effects of child abuse and prevention activities within the community, and become involved in supporting parents and families so that children can live in safe, nurturing homes; now therefore

THE TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE, does hereby proclaim April 2022 as

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH

in Tioga County and call upon all citizens, community agencies, religious organizations, medical facilities, and businesses to increase their participation in our efforts to ensure that all children are raised in safe, nurturing families, thereby strengthening the communities in which we live.

Dated:

MARTHA SAUERBREY CHAIR TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING Health & Human Services

The regular meeting of the Health & Human Services Committee was held in the Legislative Conference Room, Tuesday, March 8, 2022, at 8:30 AM.

Present: Mr. William Standinger	Chair of the Committee
Mr. Tracy Monell	Legislator
Mr. Dennis Mullen	Legislator (arrived 8:38 AM)
Mr. Jake Brown	Legislator
Ms. Lori Morgan	Director of Community Services
Mr. Chris Korba	Director of Administrative Services - MH
Mr. Shawn Yetter	Commissioner of Social Services
Mr. Gary Grant	Deputy Commissioner of Social Services
Ms. Lisa McCafferty	Public Health Director (arrived 8:40 AM)
Mr. Denis McCann	Director of Administrative Services - PH

Chair of the Legislature
County Attorney
Legislative Clerk

Legislator Standinger asked for a motion to approve the February 8, 2022 HHS Committee minutes as written. Motion made by Legislator Monell. Seconded by Legislator Brown. Motion Carried.

MENTAL HYGIENE

1. Financial

• Mr. Chris Korba noted the 2021 budget is wrapping up. There will be more adjustments to the 2021 budget as shared services is still being distributed, but he expects to have a return of around \$400,000 to the local share. The 2022 budget is tracking as expected.

2. Old Business

• Criminal Psych – Ms. Morgan reported that there have not been any new invoices since the one received for a client discharged in the last week of December 2021.

3. New Business

- OMH Workforce Grant Funding A retention incentive was given to TCMH's psychiatrist, and the remaining funding may be able to be distributed to union employees. As another county in the state was able to share this grant funding with union employees as part of workforce retention, Ms. Morgan stated that Bethany O'Rourke is presently working with CSEA.
- 4. Personnel
 - Linda Wagner, LCSW-R, resigned 2/22/22.
 - Michelle Dunham, Sr. CASAC, resigning 3/11/22.
 - Sarah Secor, LCSW, started 3/1/22.

- Work from Home Policy Ms. Morgan noted that she would like to see employees being allowed to work from home (part time) as it might help with retention. Legislative Chair Sauerbrey stated that she was told by Bethany that in order to allow union employees to work from home it would have to be negotiated. County Attorney Mr. Peter DeWind stated that the county would need to work with the union on an MOU. Ms. Morgan shared that 80% of their services are telehealth.
- Ms. Morgan reported there are openings at Spencer and Newark Valley schools for Social Workers. She is having trouble recruiting for these positions.
- 5. Resolutions All resolutions were voted to continue.
 - Reappointing Member to Community Services Board.
 - Authorize Execution of Cooperative Agreements Between the Law Department, ITCS, Sheriff, Public Health, DSS and Mental Hygiene.
- 6. Proclamations
 - None.

SOCIAL SERVICES

- 1. Financial
 - Mr. Gary Grant shared that adjustments for the 2021 budget are continuing. He expects to have a return to local share of just over \$2 million dollars. After the 20% reduction is taken out, the return will be around \$975,000. Foster Care was over budget in JDs and the OCFS charge back. While Safety Net and payroll were under budget. There was discussion regarding high-cost juvenile placements and the Raise the Age costs. RTA is 100% reimbursed.
- 2. Old Business
 - None.
- 3. New Business
 - Caseloads

During February, Cash Assistance decreased 5 cases, with Family Assistance decreasing 2 cases and Safety Net decreasing 3 cases.

MA-Only decreased 9 cases.

MA-SSI remained flat.

Total Individuals on Medicaid decreased 13 cases to 3,781.

SNAP cases increased 19 cases.

Day Care increased 4 cases.

Services decreased 3 cases.

See Caseload Summary and Charts.

- 4. Personnel Changes
 - Katherine Howard, Caseworker, last day effective 2/4/22.
 - Dyann Seldon, Office Specialist 1, hired effective 2/14/22.
 - Todd Russell, Caseworker, last day effective 2/16/22.
 - Marisa Hadden, Caseworker, last day effective 2/18/22.
 - Diane Cole, Seasonal SWE, last day effective 2/25/22.
 - Julie Hildebrandt, Seasonal SWE, last day effective 2/25/22.
 - Deborah Cooper, Caseworker, hired effective 2/28/22.
 - Commissioner Yetter noted that the Caseworkers would be the only DSS staff that could work from home but that it might help with retention.
- 5. Resolutions All resolutions were approved to continue.
 - Recognize Sheri M. McCall's 24 Years of Dedicated Service.
 - Authorize Execution of Cooperative Agreements Between the Law Department, ITCS, Sheriff, Public Health, DSS and Mental Hygiene.
 - Appropriation of Funds and Amend 2022 Budget PEAF.
 - Authorization to Apply for Grant 3 Year Grant with no local share to create a partnership with A New Hope Center for advocate services.
- 6. Proclamations
 - None.

PUBLIC HEALTH

- 1. Financial
 - Mr. Denis McCann reiterated that there are still some adjustments being made in the 2021 budget relating to shared services. The local share return at this point is over \$1 million dollars. For January and February 2022, nearly all revenue goes back to 2021. 2022 reimbursements from NYS will start coming in April and May.
- 2. Old Business
 - None.
- 3. New Business
 - Tioga County Public Health social media:
 - Per new County Policy, TCPH submitted report demonstrating the importance of social media to TCPH, which included statistical information. There was discussion about how TCPH endeavors to reach out through multiple media venues and how social media provides opportunity to hear community perspective; and for TCPH to recognize diversity of thoughts & ideas originating from public users. There was further discussion and Committee approval to move forward.
 - Agency Report for February 2022 forwarded to committee.
 - Legislator Mullen stated his appreciation for the HHS departments, and specifically noted that Ms. McCafferty's projections over the last two years were correct in how coronavirus has played out.

- 4. Personnel
 - Angelica Conklin, Public Health Educator, effective 2/14/22.
 - Ms. McCafferty noted that she might lose two employees due to the inability to work remotely after two years of successfully doing so.
- 5. Resolutions All resolutions were approved to continue.
 - Appoint Member to the Tioga County Board of Health (Simmons).
 - Authorize Execution of Cooperative Agreements Between the Law Department, ITCS, Sheriff, Public Health, DSS and Mental Hygiene.
- 6. Proclamations
 - National Nutrition Month (Repeat).
 - Public Health Week (Repeat).

The Legislature, EMS and TCPH have lots of COVID test kits available.

ADJOURNED:

Regular Meeting was adjourned at 9:12 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

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