TIOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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

FEBRUARY 8, 2022 8:30 AM

- APPROVAL OF MINUTES January 4, 2022
- FINANCIAL
- > January 2022 Budget Report
- OLD BUSINESS
- > None

NEW BUSINESS

- > Caseloads
- > Tioga Career Center Report

• **PERSONNEL**

- > William Cornell, P/T CSW, last day effective 1/13/2022.
- > Lisa Sherwood, Community Services Worker, hired effective 1/18/2022.
- Lisa Williams, Office Specialist 1, hired effective 1/18/2022.

• **RESOLUTIONS**

- Appropriation of Funds and Amend 2022 Budget Safe Harbor.
- Appropriation of Funds and Amend 2022 Budget Day Care.
- Reappoint Member to the Tioga County Youth Board.
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PROCLAMATIONS

- ➢ None.
- ADJOURNMENT



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A6070 Services For Recipients								
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TOTAL Services For Recipients	0	0	0	266.44	.00	-266.44	100.0%	
A6101 Medical Assistance								
418010 Repayments Of Medical Assist 436010 State Aid-Medical Assistance 446010 Federal Aid-Medical Assistan 540487 Program Expense	-120,000 56,000 44,000 20,000	0000	-120,000 56,000 44,000 20,000	-1,236.01 .00 .00 .00		-118,763.99 56,000.00 44,000.00 20,000.00	1.0% .0% .0%	
TOTAL Medical Assistance	0	0	0	-1,236.01	.00	1,236.01	100.0%	
A6102 Medical Assistance - Vmis								
540487 Program Expense	7,575,942	07,	575,942	500,656.00	.00	7,075,286.00	6.6%	
TOTAL Medical Assistance - Mmis	7,575,942	07,	575,942	500,656.00	.00	7,075,286.00	6.6%	
A6109 Family Assistance								
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TOTAL Family Assistance	248,500	0	248,500	110,724.36	.00	137,775.64	44.6%	
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A6119 Child Care								
418190 Repayments of Child Care 436190 State Aid-Child Care	-243,000	000	-243,000	-34,995.34		-208,004.66	14.4%	
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TOTAL Child Care	301,340	0	301,340	139,847.01	.00	161,492.99	46.4%	
A6123 Juvenile Delinquent Care								
418230 Repayments of Juvenile Delin 436230 State Aid-Juvenile Delinquen 540487 Program Expense	-20,000 -374,500 700,000	000	-20,000 -374,500 700,000	-3,151.00 .00 42,815.97		-16,849.00 -374,500.00 657,184.03	15.8% .0% 6.1%	
TOTAL Juvenile Delinquent Care	305,500	0	305,500	39,664.97	.00	265,835.03		
A6129 State Training Schools								
540487 Program Expense	175,000	0	175,000	.00	.00	175,000.00	.0%	
TOTAL State Training Schools	175,000	0	175,000	.00	.00	175,000.00	.0%	
A6140 Safety Net								
418400 Repayments of Safety Net Ass 436400 State Aid-Safety Net (Was Hr 446400 Federal Aid-Safety Net (Was 540487 program Expense	-115,000 -265,350 -80,000	0000	-115,000 -265,350 -80,000	-11,254.42 .00 .71 606 34		-103,745.58 -265,350.00 -80,000.00	۰.9 88 88	
TOTAL Safety Net	739,650	0	739,650	441.	.00	679,208.18		
A6141 Energy Crisis Assistance Progr								

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418410 Repayments Of Home Energy As 446410 Federal Aid-Home Energy Assi 540487 Program Expense	-100,000 85,000 15,000	000	-100,000 85,000 15,000	-10,747.98 .00 1,796.24		-89,252.02 85,000.00 13,203.76	10.7% .0% 12.0%
TOTAL Energy Crisis Assistance Progr	0	0	0	-8,951.74	.00	8,951.74	100.0%
A6142 Emergency Assistance To Adults							
436420 State Aid-Emergency Aid For 540487 Program Expense	-15,000 30,000	00	-15,000 30,000	.00	.00	-15,000.00 30,000.00	 %
TOTAL Emergency Assistance To Adults	15,000	0	15,000	.00	.00	15,000.00	.0%
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CASELOAD CHANGES - 2022

TIOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Cases			
	12/31/2021	1/31/2022	% Change
FA	138	140	1%
SNA Singles	72	74	3%
SNA Families	9	9	0%
Total TA	219	223	2%
MA-Only	2,023	2,033	0%
MA-SSI	1,163	1,164	0%
Total MA	3,186	3,197	0%
SNAP	2,644	2,684	2%
Day Care	96	86	-10%
Services	301	288	-4%
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	Individ	uals	
	12/31/2021	1/31/2022	% Change
FA	228	236	4%
SNA Singles	72	74	3%
SNA Families	32	27	-16%
Total TA	332	337	2%
MA-Only	2,284	2,293	0%
MA-SSI	1,163	1,164	0%
Total MA	3,447	3,457	0%
SNAP	5,000	5,105	2%
Services	721	684	-5%
	Individuals On Medicaid		
	12/31/2021	1/31/2022	% Change
ТА	332	337	2%
MA	3,447	3,457	0%
ADC-FC	0	0	0%
TOTAL	3,779	3,794	0%









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COMMITTEE MEETING 2/8/22

WIOA

Current open job postings in Tioga = 455

133 new Unemployment claims opened in January but only 74 had claim effective dates in January. The rest were older claims that finally opened up, and 40 of the new claims were seasonal.

Unemployment:

	Dec '21	Nov '21	Dec '20
Tioga	2.7	3.4	5.7
NYS	5.0	5.5	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 4.7% down from 7.8 in 2020. Tioga Co. has never had an ER at 2.7%. We have about 600 people in Tioga Co. not employed. Our total labor force in Tioga Co. is listed as 21,200.

Tioga Co Job Fair 2022

Due to the extremely low job seeker attendance at the in-person job fairs during the past year, in Tioga, Broome, Chemung and other areas, I have decided not to hold an in-person event this March.

The virtual event I held last March in place of the in-person only had 139 attendees. The in-person event I held in August had 88 jobseekers. Broome's three events have had less than 100 jobseekers, with the last one at the end of January garnering only 50 jobseekers. The in-person events are just not working right now.

I have had much more success with posting and sharing our job orders on Facebook. The Tioga Career Center Facebook page has increased the number of followers we have. Job postings are reaching 1000's of people. Employers have been getting very good responses. Those employers that may not get a lot of responses, we escalate their postings and push out to the surrounding counties.

Only about 80% of Tioga's population has access to the internet and/or have computers. So we post a 'hot jobs' list with the Pennysaver each month to make sure everyone has access to the listings.

REFERRED TO:		HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE
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RESOLUTION NO. - 22 APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS AND AMEND 2022 BUDGET SOCIAL SERVICES

WHEREAS: Safe Harbor NY funding has been awarded to Tioga County Department of Social Services from the Office of Children and Family Services to raise awareness about sexually exploited youth: 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	\$ 44,217
To:	A6010.540487 Program Expense	\$ 44,217

REFERRED TO:	health & human services committee
	FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

WHEREAS: A Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Act of 2019 allocation of \$11,458 has been awarded to Tioga County because a qualifying disaster took place in our service area in October 2019; and

WHEREAS: Family Enrichment Network proposes to contract with Tioga County DSS to conduct an Emergency Preparedness Program which would fall under Quality Improvement Activities for the child care programs in Tioga County; 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: Admin	\$ 11,458
To:	A6010.540140 Contractual	\$ 11,458

REFERRED TO: HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. - 22 RE-APPOINT AND EXTEND YOUTH BOARD MEMBERS TERMS YOUTH BUREAU

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Youth Board is organized as an advisory body to the Tioga County Youth Bureau; and

WHEREAS: The purpose of the Youth Board is to carry out the provision of Section 95 of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York and Resolution No. 140 of 1981 of the Tioga County Legislature; and

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Youth Board Bylaws provides for representatives to the Youth Board be appointed by the County Legislature; and

WHEREAS: The County Legislature previously appointed members to the Youth Board under Resolution No. 60-19 and Lauran Murphy's term has expired as of 12/31/2021; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Lauran Murphy be re-appointed as a member of the Tioga County Youth Board with the corresponding term of office consistent with the requirement of staggered rotation of 1/1/2022 – 12/31/2023.

Lauran Murphy (Extending Term)

1/1/2022 - 12/31/2023

REFERRED TO:

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

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WHEREAS: The Tioga County Youth Board Bylaws provides for representatives to the Youth Board be appointed by the County Legislature; and

WHEREAS: The County Legislature previously appointed members to the Youth Board under Resolution No. 60-19 and Becky Shuey's term has expired as of 12/31/2021; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Becky Shuey be re-appointed as a member of the Tioga County Youth Board with the corresponding term of office consistent with the requirement of staggered rotation of 1/1/2022 – 12/31/2023.

Becky Shuey (Extending Term)

1/1/2022 - 12/31/2023

REFERRED TO:

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

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WHEREAS: The Tioga County Youth Board Bylaws provides for representatives to the Youth Board be appointed by the County Legislature; and

WHEREAS: The County Legislature previously appointed members to the Youth Board under Resolution No. 60-19 and Cheri Roys term has expired; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Cheri Roys be re-appointed as a member of the Tioga County Youth Board with the corresponding term of office consistent with the requirement of staggered rotation of 1/1/2022 - 12/31/2023.

Cheri Roys (Extending Term)

1/1/2022 – 12/31/2023

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING Health & Human Services

The regular meeting of the Health & Human Services Committee was held in the Hubbard Auditorium, Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 8:30 AM.

Present:	Mr. William Standinger	Chair of the Committee
	Mr. Tracy Monell	Legislator
	Mr. Dennis Mullen	Legislator
	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
	Mr. Denis McCann	Director of Administrative Services - PH
	Guests: Ms. Marte Sauerbrey	Chair of the Legislature
	Mr. Peter DeWind	County Attorney (Arrived @ 9:00 AM)
	Ms. Cathy Haskell	Legislative Clerk
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Legislative Committee Chair Mr. Bill Standinger introduced new Legislator, Mr. Jake Brown.

MENTAL HYGIENE

1. Budget Status

- Mr. Chris Korba noted the 2021 budget is tracking well. There will be many more adjustments to the 2021 budget, but he expects to have a return. Four invoices for Criminal Psychiatric care were received in December. 2 are from the client they have been paying for in 2021 and 2 invoices were from a new client with dates from April and May 2021. It is unknown if this second client is still in care. If yes, worst case scenario, MH would be billed for June through December for an additional \$231,000. Regardless, MH will have a return of local share for its 2021 budget. Ms. Morgan will be following up at the MH Directors' Conference. There is more budgeted money in the 2022 budget for criminal psychiatric services.
- 2. Personnel
 - None.
 - Resolution to abolish 1 vacant, full time Clinical Social Worker and create 1 full time Supervising Clinical Social Worker to address staffing needs and workload.
- 3. Critical Issues/Topics
 - 730 Criminal Psych (discussed above).
- 4. Resolutions
 - Transfer of Funds Budget Modification.
 - Abolish and Create Position Amend 2022 Budget.
- 5. Proclamations
 - None.

Legislator Standinger asked for a motion to approve the December 7, 2021 HHS Committee minutes as written. Motion made by Legislator Monell. Seconded by Legislator Mullen. Motion Carried.

SOCIAL SERVICES

Commissioner Yetter discussed caseloads, programmatic highlights, and personnel changes.

- 1. Budget
 - Mr. Gary Grant shared that the 2021 budget is running at or under in most program areas. Foster Care lines continue to remain high. The state increased Foster Care Rates. The 2022 budget reflects the higher costs. He expects to have a return to local share at the end of the year. The cars that were ordered in July have not come in and there is a resolution to re-appropriate the funding for 2022.
- 2. Caseloads
 - During December, Cash Assistance decreased 15 cases, with Family Assistance decreasing 5 cases and Safety Net decreasing 10 cases. Cash Assistance is down 18% for the year.
 - MA-Only increased 23 cases. Increased 6% for the year.
 - MA-SSI decreased 11 cases.
 - Total Individuals on Medicaid increased 5 cases to 3,779.
 - SNAP cases increased 53 cases. Increased 5% for the year.
 - Day Care decreased 3 cases. Down 8% for the year.
 - Services increased 4 cases. Hot line reports were the 2nd highest ever in 2021. Most reports remain substance abuse and inadequate guardianship. Child Advocacy Center located across from Agway opened in 2021 and has worked out well for interviewing children.
 - See Caseload Summary.
- 3. Programmatic Highlights
 - Tioga Career Center Report attached. Unemployment in Tioga County remains below the state and federal averages. TCC hopes to host an in-person Job Fair in the spring but it depends on COVID.
- 4. Personnel Changes
 - Amanda Miller, Caseworker, hired effective 12/6/2021.
 - Debra Bender, Employment Counselor, hired effective 12/6/2021 in TCC.
- 5. Resolutions
 - Re-establish Prior Year 2021 Unspent Funds JD Program.
 - Re-establish Prior Year 2021 Unspent Funds Capital Equipment.
 - 2022 Staff Changes.
- 6. Proclamations
 - Human Trafficking Awareness Month (New).

PUBLIC HEALTH

Ms. Lisa McCafferty presented highlights, and resolutions.

- 1. Personnel
 - None.
- 2. Program Comments

- Agency Report for December 2021 was forwarded to the Committee.
- 3. Budget
 - Agency Financials for December 2021 were forwarded to the Committee. Mr. Denis McCann reported that he expects to have a sizable return for 2021. He is still expecting invoices throughout January and February. Revenues from non-COVID related services fared better than anticipated when considering COVID impacts. El Escrow invoices have leveled off. There was discussion regarding the Fellowship program. Ms. McCafferty summarized there are a lot of strings attached and constant changes to the Fellows program. If we don't spend the money, we don't receive it.
- 4. Resolutions
 - None.
- 5. Proclamations
 - National Radon Action Month (Repeat).

There was a brief discussion on the Omicron variant. PH remains very busy tracking and issuing quarantine orders. NYS is very behind with case investigation & contract tracing. Isolation guidelines confusing due to CDC announcements and what NYS guidance contains. Over the Counter (OTC) test kits, their impact on operations. Committee Chair Standinger did a straw poll of Legislators regarding enforcement of state mask mandate and the associated funding. None of the legislators present were interested in enforcement. Chair Marte Sauerbrey shared that the county has been shipped 1 pallet of N90 masks for the public. They are available in the Legislative office during regular business hours.

ADJOURNED:

Regular Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 AM.

Respectfully submitted, *Gail V. Perdue* Executive Secretary, Social Services