

## ONEIDA COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

AUGUST 23, 2016

Members present: Ms. Carol Pederson, Mr. Bob Metropulos, Mr. William Freudenberg, Mr. Alan VanRaalte, and Mr. Jim Winkler

Staff: Ms. Mary Rideout, Ms. Tammy Walters, Corporation Counsel Brian Desmond, Ms. Mary Gadzalinski, Ms. Brenda Lee, and Ms. Donna Schultz

**1. Call to Order. Approval of Agenda:**

The regular meeting of the Oneida County Social Services Committee was brought to order at 9:00 a.m. by Ms. Carol Pederson, Chairperson. The Chairperson noted that the meeting had been properly posted and mailed in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Laws. Motion by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, seconded by Mr. Jim Winkler, to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried unanimously.

**2. Minutes of Social Services/Veteran's Services Committee – July 18, 2016:**

Motion by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos, to approve the Social Services/Veteran's Services Committee minutes of July 18. Motion carried unanimously.

**3. Public Comment:**

None.

**Veteran's Services:**

**1. 2017 Budget:**

Ms. Tammy Walters discussed the 2017 Budget and stated that she did not request any increase and hopes the budget will be passed, as presented, because she is unsure where she would be able to make cuts if requested.

Ms. Tammy Walters discussed the donation fund and says as it grows, she may be able to reduce her budget in the future.

Motion by Mr. Jim Winkler, seconded by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, to approve the 2017 Budget as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**2. Office Closure – September 19, 2016:**

Ms. Tammy Walters rescinded her request to close the Veterans Services office on September 19, 2016 and she will not be going to the training she had previously planned to attend. Office staff, Jason, will be attending the training but Ms. Tammy Walters will be in the office that day.

**3. 2016 Financial/Statistical/Comp. Time Reports:**

Motion by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos, to accept statistical and comp time report as corrected. Motion carried unanimously.

**4. Audit of Payments/Line Item Transfers:**

Ms. Tammy Walters revised the report to include payment of a hotel bill in October.

Motion by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos, to approve the vouchers and line item transfers as presented; with revisions. Motion carried unanimously.

**5. Agenda Items for Future Meetings:**

None.

**Social Services/Family Care:**

**1. Drug Endangered Children Program Recognition:**

Ms. Mary Rideout discussed the program, its effects, and recognized Certified Social Worker Brenda Lee's hard work and dedication in getting the program underway in Oneida County.

Ms. Lee discussed a conference she attended and bringing what she learned there to the program here in Oneida County.

Ms. Mary Gadzalinski discussed the donation of packaged gifts made by Gina Mattheisen, with *Sweet Dreams (stuffed toy, pajamas, personal hygiene products, etc. stuffed into a decorated pillow case)* this Agency received to give to children who are taken from their homes and placed into temporary physical custody. She stated often the children have to leave the home with nothing of their own and that these packaged gifts may offer some comfort.

**2. Closed Session:** It is anticipated that a motion will be made, seconded, and approved by roll call vote to enter into closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(g), "Conferring with legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted by the governmental body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved." Topic: Visual WISSIS.

It is anticipated that the Committee will return to open session by roll call vote to consider the remainder of the meeting agenda.

Announcement of action taken in closed session, if any.

Motion made by Mr. William Freudenberg, seconded by Mr. Jim Winkler, to move into Closed Executive Session at 9:40 a.m. Roll call vote: Ms. Carol Pederson, aye; Mr. William Freudenberg, aye; Mr. Bob Metropulos aye; Mr. Jim Winkler,

aye; and Mr. Alan VanRaalte, aye. The committee moved into Closed Executive Session.

Motion made by Mr. Jim Winkler, seconded by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, to move into Open Session at 9:58 a.m. Roll call vote: Ms. Carol Pederson, aye; Mr. William Freudenberg, aye; Mr. Bob Metropulos, aye; Mr. Jim Winkler, aye, and Mr. Alan VanRaalte, aye. The committee moved into Open Session.

No action was taken as a result of the Closed Session.

**3. Family Care:**

Ms. Mary Rideout confirmed that July 1, 2017 will be the day the first Oneida County resident will be on Family Care.

Ms. Mary Rideout discussed that a Managed Care Organization (MCO) will run Family Care in Oneida County. Ms. Mary Rideout discussed Geographic Service Region (GSR) questions, *i.e.*, will the remaining six counties be combined into one region or will the counties be absorbed into existing regions.

Ms. Mary Rideout stated that clients may get new case managers and have to call a different organization for services. Ms. Mary Rideout hopes for a smooth transition and that clients won't notice much of a change in services.

Mr. William Freudenberg left meeting.

**4. 2017 Budget:**

Ms. Mary Rideout distributed information on the Tri-County Council regarding contributions by various counties for shelter nights and the number of clients served. Ms. Mary Rideout stated that Oneida County is at about 54% of its shelter nights and that is increasing.

Ms. Mary Rideout discussed reduction in budget by cutting one social worker position, case management revenue for long-term care, etc.

Ms. Mary Rideout discussed the challenges of preparing the budget as there are a lot of unknowns, in particular with Family Care coming in. Ms. Mary Rideout discussed the need for an additional \$65,711.00 to balance the budget as presented.

Motion by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos, to accept the 2017 Budget as presented, with the additional \$65,711.00 in county tax levy and forward to the Administration Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

**5. 2017 Financial/Statistical/Comp. Time Reports:**

The committee reviewed the Financial/Statistical/Comp. Time Reports. It is projected that the Agency will have a deficit of approximately \$2,568.00 for the year 2016.

Motion by Mr. Bob Metropulos, seconded by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, to approve the 2017 Financial/Statistical/Comp. Time Reports. Motion carried unanimously.

**6. Audit of Payments/Line Item Transfers:**

Motion by Mr. Alan VanRaalte, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos, to approve the Audit of Payments and Line Item transfers as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**7. Agenda Items for Future Meetings:**

Family Care; Budget.

**8. Adjourn:**

There being no further business to be brought before the Committee, it was moved by Mr. Jim Winkler, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos, to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 a.m. The next meeting of the Social Services Committee will be Thursday, September 29, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in Committee Room 1 on the second floor. Motion carried unanimously.



Mr. Alan VanRaalte



Ms. Carol Pederson, Chairperson

Date: August 23, 2016