

The Legislature of Rockland County



PHILIP SOSKIN
LEGISLATOR-DISTRICT 7
CHAIR, MULTI-SERVICES COMMITTEE

MINUTES
MULTI-SERVICES COMMITTEE
MONDAY SEPTEMBER 08, 2014
6:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:
LEG. P. SOSKIN, CHAIR
LEG. T. EARL, VICE CHAIR
LEG. A. PAUL, 2ND VICE CHAIR
LEG. B. KANTROWITZ
LEG. D. JOBSON

MEMBERS ABSENT:
LEG. P. MORONEY
LEG. A. WIEDER

OTHERS PRESENT:
E. YEGER, ESQ
B. ATKINS M. SIMON
S. POWERS B. WHITE
U. DIFFLE G. TALAMINI
R. HANSEN M. DOROSHU
K. SMITH
R. NAGUBANDI

CHAIR SOSKIN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:35 PM.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 26, 2014 MEETING.

MOTION TO ADOPT:
EARL/PAUL

UNAN

1. REF.# **9173A** APPROVING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE VILLAGE OF HAVERSTRAW TO IMPLEMENT POLICY AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS TO REACH THE GOALS OF A HEALTHIER COMMUNITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CREATING HEALTHY PLACES TO LIVE, WORK AND PLAY INITIATIVE WHICH IS FUNDED BY THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$29,937 FOR THE PERIOD FROM APRIL 1, 2014 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2015 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT [DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH] (\$29,937) **(PATRICIA SCHNABEL RUPPERT, COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT)**
DL#: 2014-03571

MOTION TO APPROVE:
PAUL/EARL

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UNAN

ADDED SPONSOR:LEGS. SOSKIN, EARL, PAUL, KANTROWITZ, JOBSON

ACTION:
legislative Counsel to amend the caption and relevant whereas and resolve clauses to express that Agreement requires no county tax dollars. language to be provided by legislative counsel.

Deputy Health Commissioner Ron Hansen, stated that the program which is entirely grant funded, is about creating healthy places to live in the Towns and the Villages. In this particular case the Health department is working with the town of Haverstraw, trying to fund a Farmers Market by purchasing some equipment for a community garden.

Chair Soskin asked if there is any possibilities of transferring the remaining balance to another community within the group Spring Valley for example or someplace else?

Ms Diffley, answered that the Village of Spring Valley along with the Town of Ramapo, the Village of Haverstraw and West Haverstraw were the 4 communities that this grant was applied for. Each community received a total of \$90,000.00

2. REF.# 9173B APPROVING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE VILLAGE OF WEST HAVERSTRAW TO IMPLEMENT POLICY AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS TO REACH THE GOALS OF A HEALTHIER COMMUNITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CREATING HEALTHY PLACES TO LIVE, WORK AND PLAY INITIATIVE WHICH IS FUNDED BY THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$32,850 FOR THE PERIOD FROM APRIL 1, 2014 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2015 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT [DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH] (\$32,850)
(PATRICIA SCHNABEL RUPPERT, COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT)
DL#: 2014-03561

MOTION TO APPROVE:
SOSKIN/PAUL, EARL

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ADDED SPONSOR: LEGS SOSKIN, EARL, PAUL, KANTROWITZ, JOBSON

ACTION:

Legislative Counsel to amend the caption and relevant whereas and resolve clauses to express that Agreement requires no county tax dollars. Language to be provided by legislative counsel.

Mr. Hansen stated that this includes complete streets resolution, landscaping, water dispensers, corner store initiative.

3. REF # 2784 ACCEPTANCE OF A CONTINUATION GRANT FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE COUNTY'S WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC) PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,097,891 (NCTD) WITH AN ESTIMATED COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT (COLA) AWARD OF \$152,955 FOR A TOTAL GRANT AWARD NOT TO EXCEED \$2,250,846 (NCTD) FOR THE PERIOD FROM OCTOBER 1, 2014 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 AND APPROPRIATING \$10,000 OF ESTIMATED EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THIS PROGRAM, MAKING TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS NEEDED FOR SAID PERIOD \$2,260,846 (NCTD) AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY GRANT DOCUMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (\$2,260,846)
(PATRICIA SCHNABEL RUPPERT, COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT)
DL#: 2014-03513

MOTION TO APPROVE:
PAUL/KANTROWITZ, EARL

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ADDED SPONSOR: LEGS. SOSKIN, EARL, PAUL, KANTROWITZ, JOBSON

ACTION:

The Department of Health needs to confirm what is the insurance appropriation R2110 in the funding clause for?

Mr. Hansen explained that this Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program services about 14,000 moms a month in various locations, like New Square, Spring Valley, Haverstraw, and Pomona. This is a grant renewal and it funds about 20 positions 100%.

Leg. Paul asked if those positions that this grant is funding are permanent or temporary County positions? Mr. Hansen replied they are all County jobs.

4. REF.# 8862

APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A CONTINUATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$494,177 [NCTD] WHICH IS FEDERALLY FUNDED BUT ADMINISTERED BY THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO HELP FUND ROCKLAND COUNTY'S RYAN WHITE PART A MEDICAL CASE MANAGEMENT, EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES AND HOUSING GRANT FOR HIV/AIDS PROGRAMS FOR THE PERIOD FROM MARCH 1, 2014 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2015, APPROVING THE ACCOMPANYING AGREEMENT WITH THE WESTCHESTER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS INCLUDING THE AGREEMENT [DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH] (\$494,177)
(PATRICIA SCHNABEL RUPPERT, COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH DEPARTMENT)
DL#: 2014-02811

MOTION TO APPROVE:
SOSKIN/EARL, PAUL

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Mr. Hansen explained that this is a grant renewal to help fund the County's. The Department of Health is currently servicing about 175 people. The grant funding is allocated for the following services: ambulatory and outpatient medical care, crisis and support groups, early intervention, case management, housing.

Chair Soskin asked how many employees does this program count?

Mr. Hansen answered that there are 6 employees actually funded through this program at some portion.
Chair Soskin thanked all the team of the Department of Health for showing up for tonight's meeting.

ADDENDUM

5. REF.# 3977

APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF THE SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENT TO THE CONSOLIDATED ACTION PLAN FOR FY 2014 TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND APPROVING EXECUTION BY COUNTY EXECUTIVE OF ALL NECESSARY INSTRUMENTS AND DOCUMENTS (OFFICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT) (\$126,204.00)
(RAM NAGUBANDI DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT)
DL#:2014-03862

MOTION TO APPROVE:
SOSKIN/EARL, JOBSON, PAUL, KINTROWITZ

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Ram Nagubandi, Director of Community Development stated that this is a CDBG money that they receive every year. This year they received 2.million dollars and some excess remaining from Westchester County as they did not use all their share. Mr. Nagubandi said Westchester got 3.9 million dollars they are only getting \$136,000. 15% goes to Non Profit organizations and the rest is allocated to religious.

Chair Soskin asked if we don't spend the money do we send it back? Mr. Nagubandi answered yes, they can reallocate to someone else.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:7:02 PM.
JOBSON/PAUL

UNAN

Respectfully Submitted,

Lesly Senatus, Committee Clerk

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