

The Legislature of Rockland County



Philip Soskin
Chair, Multi-Services Committee
Legislator - District 7

MINUTES
MULTI-SERVICES COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2012
6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

LEG. P. SOSKIN, CHAIR
LEG. J. HOOD, JR., VICE-CHAIR
LEG. T. EARL, 2nd VICE-CHAIR
LEG. J. MEYERS (arrived 6:25)
LEG. A. PAUL

MEMBERS ABSENT:

LEG. P. MORONEY
LEG. D. JOBSON

OTHERS PRESENT:

E. YEGER, ESQ. LEG. M. GRANT
LEG. C. CAREY HON. C. ST. LAWRENCE
S. SHERWOOD HON. G. BIERKER
LEG. J. MURPHY J. APOTHEKER
D. FARRISON M. WALSH-TOZER
R. MALONEY J. REILLY
P. BRENNAN M. HOOK
S. MATHEWS B. SCHULE
S. THOMSON M. LEITZES

CHAIR SOSKIN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 6:10 PM

Chair Soskin welcomed Hon. St. Lawrence and Hon. Bierker to the meeting. He congratulated and welcomed Legislators Carey and Paul to the Legislature and stated he looked forward to working with them both, and offered a further welcome to Leg. Paul as a member of the Multi-Services Committee.

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 12/13/11 & 1/10/12 MEETINGS

MOTION TO ADOPT:

HOOD, JR./EARL

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1. REF. #2962 - CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ANGELITA ORTIZ OF SUFFERN, NEW YORK TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING ADVISORY COUNCIL (S. VANDERHOEF, COUNTY EXECUTIVE, COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE)

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2. REF. #8983 - APPROVING THE AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS LICENSED FOSTER CARE AGENCIES WHICH ARE LISTED ON THE ANNEXED SCHEDULE A AND WHICH MAY EXCEED \$100,000 WITH TOTAL EXPENDITURES NOT TO EXCEED THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES 2012 BUDGET FOR FOSTER CARE SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY [DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES] (S. SHERWOOD, COMMISSIONER, DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES)

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ACTION: DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES WILL INFORM THE COMMITTEE THE AMOUNT OF MONEY PROVIDED TO FOSTER FAMILIES AND HOW A FAMILY QUALIFIES

Commissioner Sherwood stated that this was a mandated service, which is fully funded in the budget, and they get both federal and state reimbursement. About \$1 million is the local share.

3. REF. #8983 - APPROVING THE AGREEMENTS ON THE ATTACHED SCHEDULE A WITH VARIOUS LICENSED DAY CARE AGENCIES, WHICH MAY EXCEED \$100,000, WITH TOTAL EXPENDITURES NOT TO EXCEED THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES 2012 BUDGET FOR DAY CARE SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY [DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES]
(S. SHERWOOD, COMMISSIONER, DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES)

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Commissioner Sherwood stated that this was a mandated service and that funding was capped at \$8 million this year.

4. REF. #9019 - APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$110,000 [NCTD] FROM THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE (OTDA) TO REIMBURSE THE COUNTY FOR ELIGIBLE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE 2011 SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD MAY 1, 2011 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2011 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS [YOUTH BUREAU] (\$110,000)
(D. FARRISON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, YOUTH BUREAU)

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Executive Director D. Farrison stated that this was for last year, but they did not have the figures until December 7, 2011. It does not affect the budget; it just reconciles it.

5. REF. #6311 - APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A CONTINUATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$171,197 FROM THE NYS COMMISSION ON NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR THE COUNTY'S AMERICORPS PROGRAM AND APPROPRIATING ANTICIPATED REVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$65,000 FROM VARIOUS AMERICORPS PROGRAM HOST SITES WHICH WILL BE USED TO PARTIALLY COVER REMAINING NON-GRANT FUNDED AMERICORPS PROGRAM COSTS WHICH GRANT WILL REQUIRE A LOCAL SHARE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,000 FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2011 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2012 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY GRANT DOCUMENTS [YOUTH BUREAU] (\$171,197)
(D. FARRISON, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, YOUTH BUREAU)

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Executive Director D. Farrison stated that this was the same as last year. They thought they would lose the funding, but due to a lot of hard work, the department got the funding.

6. REF. #9372 - APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO AN AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH RAMAPO PRACTICE MANAGEMENT, LLC DBA RAMAPO RADIOLOGY ASSOCIATES, PC IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$86,060 FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$421,592 FOR RADIOLOGICAL SERVICES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HOSPITALS/X-RAY UNDER RFB-RC-07-056 FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2008 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – DIVISION OF PURCHASING] (\$421,592)
(G. WALSH, COMMISSIONER, DGS - PURCHASING)

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P. Brennan, Purchasing Director, stated that the total is for five years and that the county does not employ a radiologist, so they have to contract for one. He said doing x-rays on-site saves money for transportation.

7. REF. #6704 - ACCEPTANCE OF GIFT FROM THE ROCKLAND COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION OF A PORTRAIT OF JUSTICE ALFRED WEINER TO BE DISPLAYED IN THE COURTROOM LOCATED AT THE ROCKLAND COUNTY COURTHOUSE IN WHICH JUSTICE WEINER PRESIDED (DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY EXECUTIVE)
(C. SCOTT VANDERHOEF, COUNTY EXECUTIVE, COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE)

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Leg. Hood, Jr. stated that, in practicing law, he had dealt with Judge Weiner many times and he was one of the most unpleasant people on the bench and would not be missed. Chair Soskin thanked Judge Weiner for his efforts over the years.

ADDENDUM:

8. REF. #2973 - APPROVING AN AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH LEXINGTON CENTER FOR RECOVERY, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$605,873 FOR A METHADONE TREATMENT SERVICES MANAGEMENT CONTRACT FOR THE PERIOD FROM APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2012 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE [DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH] (\$605,873)
(M. WALSH TOZER, COMMISSIONER, DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH)

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Commissioner Walsh-Tozer stated that the previous provider pulled out and they were seeking approval for this one. Rockland County's program was the most expensive in the state, so the state said they would pull back aid if they did not look for a provider. The program is partially state funded at \$373,000. Leg. Meyers asked if there were evaluations on how outsourced programs performed? Commissioner Walsh-Tozer stated that Lexington was an outstanding agency, which also works with Dutchess County. Leg. Meyers asked if the Airmont facility offered methadone treatment? Commissioner Walsh-Tozer said it was a substance abuse clinic and a day treatment center only.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN: (6:45 PM)
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