

HEALTH/MENTAL HEALTH COMMITTEE

May 19, 2008

PRESENT:

Philip Williams-Deputy Chairperson  
Lawrence Andrews  
William Hughes  
Edward Cross  
Elizabeth Young

ABSENT:

Lynda Scheer-notified  
Bart Delaney-notified

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ALSO PRESENT:

Melissa Noblin, Deputy  
Michael O'Leary  
Nancy Winch  
Karen DePeyster-Tobacco Free Coalition

Deputy Chairman Williams called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m..

Mental Health – M. O'Leary: Updates:

Lease of Office Space at the 325 Building were briefly addressed.

Resolution Request to award bids for lease of office space at 325 Columbia Street Building to the two successful, acceptable, bidders, Parsons and OASAS. Motion to approve and move to Finance made by E. Young and seconded by W. Hughes, motion carried.

Committee was informed that the NYS Commissioner of OASAS will be making a visit to the Human Services Department on May 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 to 10:30 a.m. and all Supervisors are invited to attend.

Lengthy discussion ensued regarding the potential move of the Human Services Department to the Ockawamick building. M. O'Leary expressed opposition to the proposed move of the Human Services Department and requested the Department Heads, of any Departments being considered for a move, be involved in the decision making process.

Tobacco Free Coalition: Karen DePeyster:

Ms. DePeyster expressed appreciation to the Committee for their support and the Proclamation given to the Coalition at the most recent Full Board Meeting. The Coalition and specifics programs related to same were addressed.

Health: N. Winch: Updates:

Various updates were given and brief discussion took place regarding a potential 2% cut as a result of the State Budget. Committee will be kept apprised. N. Winch also stated that she would address the Committee at the June Meeting regarding the need for a Hearing Officer.

.2 Purchase Request Form:

Purchase of Software for Lead Analyzer was requested at a cost of \$5,535. Motion to approve made by W. Hughes and seconded by E. Cross, motion carried.

Conference Request forms:

Asperger's Syndrom (7/14/08) in Utica at a cost of \$145.

Healthier Communities (5/29/08) at a cost of \$100.

N. Winch stated that a County vehicle will be utilized. Motion to approve conference attendance, made by L. Andrews and seconded by E. Cross, motion carried.

Resolution Requests:

Resolution Request to amend the 2008 Health Department Budget to allow acceptance of \$4,709.96 in HCRA Workforce recruitment and Retention Funds. Motion to approve and move to Finance made by L. Andrews and seconded by E. Young, motion carried.

Motion to adjourn at 1:54 p.m. made by L. Andrews and seconded by W. Hughes, motion carried.

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**Lynda Scheer, Chairwoman**

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