

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2009

The Human Services Committee of the Broome County Legislature met on Wednesday, April 8, 2009 in the Legislative Conference Room, Sixth Floor, Edwin L. Crawford County Office Building, Binghamton, New York.

Members Present: J. Safilippo (Chair), J. Garnar, J. Hutchings, S. Messina for M. Nirchi, M. Pasquale

Members Absent: None

Others Present: O. Evans, DSS/Mental Health; C. Nord, S. Sanzo, D. Bowersox, DSS; M. Kalka, Budget; S. Buchta, B. Klipsch, G. LaBare, E. Denk, C. Marion, C. Hall, Legislature

The Committee meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 4:32 pm. Ms. Messina moved the agenda, seconded by Mr. Pasquale. The Committee took the following action with regard to the matters before it:

21 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO AN AGREEMENT WITH JEFF FARINELLA P.T. FOR PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES FOR THE WILLOW POINT NURSING HOME FOR 2009-2010

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#22 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REVISION OF THE MEDICAID TECHNOLOGIES ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND ADOPTING A REVISED PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2009

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#23 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE SAFETY NET ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE STAR GROUP INC TO ADMINISTER SAID PROGRAM FOR 2009

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#24 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH OUR LADY OF LOURDES HOSPITAL FOR SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES DETENTION ALTERNATIVE AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM GRANT FOR 2009

In response to a question from Mr. Sanfilippo about the program, Mr. Bowersox stated that a report is filed regularly and they are meeting outcomes and expectations of the program. Mr. Bowersox will provide the report to the committee.

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#25 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REVISION OF THE JUVENILE JUSTICE PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, ADOPTING A REVISED PROGRAM BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING AMENDEMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH OUR LADY OF LOURDES HOSPITAL FOR 2008-2009

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#43 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REVISION OF FLEXIBLE FUNDS FOR FAMILY SERVICES (FFFS) PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, ADOPTING A REVISED PROGRAM BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH THE STAR GROUP FOR 2009-2010

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#48 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERSONNEL CHANGE REQUESTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

Ms. Nord informed the committee that Commissioner Johnson has been spearheading the coordination of the family assistance center at the Holiday Inn Arena for those affected by the Civic Association tragedy. There have been major efforts to reach all of those in need of any kind of assistance. Ms. Nord stated that DSS was in lockdown from about 10:30 to 3:00, where nobody was allowed to enter or leave the building. She said that they do have security in the building and that most employees and clients felt safe. Ms. Nord stated there is a security committee at DSS and believes they will be reviewing current procedures.

It was stated that Broome Security is currently doing a safety assessment at all county buildings.

There being no further business to come before the Committee at this time, Mr. Pasquale made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Messina. The meeting adjourned at 4:56 pm.