

Minutes

Human Services Committee

September 15, 2021, 5:00 pm, Rm #331

Livestreamed on Facebook

Gerace Office Building, Mayville, NY

Members Present: Pavlock, Whitford, Rankin, Whitney, Lawton

Others: Tampio, Ames, Abdella, Dennison, Kathy Swanson, Schuyler, Hernandez,
K. Engstrom, Chagnon

Chairman Pavlock called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

Approval of Minutes (8/18/21)

MOVED by Legislator Lawton, SECONDED by Legislator Whitney

Unanimously Carried

Privilege of the Floor

Mrs. Schuyler: I wanted to take a moment at the beginning of the meeting to introduce our home committee member to Carmelo Hernandez, our new Director of Mental Hygiene. I (*inaudible*) opportunity to introduce to the home committee before he comes through you with a resolution on the budget. Mr. Whitney, Mrs. Rankin, Mr. Pavlock, Mr. Lawton, and Mr. Whitford.

Chairman Pavlock: I had the opportunity, I spoke with Carmelo on the phone yesterday. I just wanted to reach out to him and say hello and welcome and we're glad that you are here and excited to see what you do with the department. Anyone have anything to add?

Legislator Rankin: How is it going so far?

Mr. Hernandez: It's been fun. The move was fun, it was interesting in many sorts coming from Westchester County, dealing with hurricanes and movers and all that other good stuff. I'm happy to be here and excited to be here and everything I've expected thus far, I'm excited to take the department where it needs to go to provide services and impact the community.

Legislator Rankin: What are your first impressions?

Mr. Hernandez: Well for me, coming from (*inaudible*) believe it or not reminds me a lot of the south. Just the winters are different and I was stationed at Watertown that was my last duty

station so in terms of the town, to me, it's what I was looking for, for personal levels especially for my family. I'm excited, I see the need, I see the gaps where we need to step it up a little bit and I also see the good work that has been done so far as well.

Legislator Rankin: Welcome.

Chairman Pavlock: Thank you. Good privilege of the floor. Anyone else to the privilege of the floor? Seeing none, we'll move on.

Proposed Resolution – Amend Chautauqua County Health & Human Services 2021 Adopted Budget for Employee Benefits Costs – Presented by Schuyler –

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Grant Application for 2021 Community Development Block Grant Funding through the New York State Homes and Community Renewal Housing Trust Fund Corporation's Office of Community Renewal – Septic and Wells Program– Presented by Schuyler

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Amend Chautauqua County Health & Human Services 2021 Adopted Budget for Increased ELC COVID Grant– Presented by Schuyler –

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Accept New York State Department of Health COVID-19 Vaccine Response Award– Presented by Schuyler –

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Amend Chautauqua County Health & Human Services 2021 Adopted Budget for New York State Department of Health ELC Reopening Schools Award– Presented by Schuyler –

Unanimously Carried

Late Resolution – Authorizing and Approving a Settlement Agreement in an Action Relating to the Opioid Crisis (Big 2 Distributors) – Presented by Abdella –

Unanimously Carried

Late Resolution – Amend 2021 Budget Appropriations to Include Additional IGT Matching Funds – Presented by Dennison, Kathy Swanson –

Unanimously Carried

Discussion – American Rescue Plan Money Projects

Proposed Resolution – American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Spending Plan

Unanimously Carried

Other

MOVED by Legislator Rankin, SECONDED by Legislator Whitford to adjourn.

Unanimously Carried (6:02 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted and transcribed,
Kathy K. Tampio, Clerk/Olivia Ames, Deputy Clerk/ Lori J. Foster, Sr. Stenographer