

**WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**COMMITTEE: SOCIAL SERVICES**

**DATE: MARCH 27, 2015**

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

SUPERVISORS SIMPSON  
WOOD  
SOKOL  
FRASIER  
STROUGH  
VANSELOW  
SEEBER

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

REPRESENTING THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES:  
MAUREEN SCHMIDT, COMMISSIONER  
JULIE MONTERO, FISCAL MANAGER  
DEANNA PARK, DIRECTOR OF COUNTRYSIDE ADULT HOME  
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD  
PAUL DUSEK, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
MARTIN AUFFREDOU, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
JOAN SADY, CLERK OF THE BOARD  
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER  
SAMANTHA HOGAN, ASSISTANT SECRETARY TO THE CLERK OF THE BOARD

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Mr. Simpson called the meeting of the Social Services Committee to order at 10:09 a.m.

Motion was made by Ms. Wood, seconded by Mr. Sokol and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Maureen Schmidt, Commissioner of the Department of Social Services (DSS), who distributed copies of the agenda to the Committee members; *a copy of the agenda is on file with the minutes.*

Commencing the agenda review, Ms. Schmidt presented a request for several contract renewals for the Youth Bureau, all for the term of January 1, 2015 - December 31, 2015, as follows:

- Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Albany for Home Based Parent Education - \$3,393;
- Warren-Hamilton Counties ACEO, Inc. for the Alternative Sentencing Program - \$2,296;
- Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Albany dba Catholic Charities of Saratoga, Warren and Washington Counties for Youth and Family Counseling - \$5,311.

Motion was made by Ms. Wood, seconded by Mr. Sokol and carried unanimously to approve all of the above referenced contract renewals and the necessary resolutions were authorized for the April 17, 2015 Board Meeting. *Copies of the requests are on file with the minutes.*

Next, Ms. Schmidt presented the request to renew the contract with Council for Prevention of Alcohol & Substance Abuse, Inc. for the Youth Court Program for the term 01/01/2015 - 12/31/2015, in the amount of \$50,875.00 (*\$17,282 State Share; \$33,593 Local Share*).

Ms. Seeber asked if it was possible to have a copy of the contract emailed for her to review. Ms. Schmidt responded affirmatively.

Motion was made by Mr. Vanselow, seconded by Ms. Wood and carried unanimously to approve the contract renewal as presented and the necessary resolution was authorized for the April 17, 2015 Board Meeting. *A copy of the request form is on file with the minutes.*

Ms. Schmidt stated her next request was for authorization to have Warren County contract with the Town of Queensbury to provide youth services. She explained the Town of Queensbury used a portion of their State monies for Youth Programs.

Motion was made by Mr. Sokol, seconded by Mr. Vanselow and carried unanimously to approve the

request as presented and the necessary resolution was authorized for the April 17, 2015 Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Item 4, Ms. Schmidt stated was an informational item to approve the Committee that April was Child Abuse Prevention Month and she included a flier with agenda on some community events that were planned. *A copy of the flier is on file with the minutes.*

Privilege of the floor was extended to Julie Montero, DSS Fiscal Manager, who reviewed the Budget Analysis for 2014, she noted both the expense and revenue were lower than the projected. *A copy of the report is on file with the minutes.*

Continuing Ms. Montero reviewed the budget analysis for February 2015, reporting that was it where she expected it to be for the beginning of the year. She noted the overtime report remained lower than this time last year. She noted they were down two caseworkers in the foster care unit, one due to extended medical leave and another had just been hired; she advised this would result in some additional overtime for training purposes.

As there was no further business to come before the Social Services Committee, on motion made by Mrs. Frasier and seconded by Ms. Wood, Mr. Simpson adjourned the meeting at 10:16 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Samantha Hogan, Assistant Secretary to the Clerk of the Board