

**WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**COMMITTEE: HUMAN SERVICES**

**DATE: SEPTEMBER 25, 2015**

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

SUPERVISORS: FRASIER  
GIRARD  
SOKOL  
VANSELOW  
BROCK  
SEEBER

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

DENISE DiRESTA, DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES  
CHRISTIE SABO, DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE FOR THE AGING  
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD  
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER  
SUPERVISORS CONOVER  
SIMPSON  
STROUGH  
MOLLY GANOTES, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

**COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT:**

SUPERVISOR: WOOD

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Mrs. Frasier called the meeting of the Human Services Committee to order at 10:20 a.m.

Motion was made by Mr. Girard, seconded by Mr. Vanselow and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to Correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Denise DiResta, Director of Veterans' Services, who distributed copies of her 2016 Budget Request to the Committee members; *a copy of same is on file with the meeting minutes.*

Ms. DiResta reviewed the Budget Request and the following changes were requested:

- Increase Budget Code A.6510 422, Repairs and Maintenance Equipment, by \$1000 to cover the cost of upgrading the Veterans' Information Management System (VIMS) from single use to a dual use.
- Decrease Budget Code A.6510 442, Automobile Gas and Oil by \$1000 over a 2 year period.

Ms. Seeber inquired if the part-time position that was funded at the full-time level in 2015 had been expanded and Ms. DiResta responded the position became full-time on July 1, 2015. Ms. Seeber asked the possibility of a mobile care van to visit Veterans monthly or bi-monthly to provide primary care, as well as whether this would be included in the budget or covered by a grant. Ms. DiResta responded that type of care would be covered under the Veterans' Administration (VA). She indicated Warren County had a Community Based Outpatient Clinic (CBOC) for Veterans within 50 miles, and transportation was arranged for those outside the 50 miles. She expressed there was care access for all Veterans in Warren County. Ms. Seeber inquired if volunteers could be recruited to drive and Ms. DiResta responded Warren County had paid drivers.

At the conclusion of the budget review the Committee unanimously approved the request, as presented.

This concluded the Veterans' Services portion of the meeting and the Office for the Aging (OFA) portion of the meeting commenced at 10:30 a.m.

Privilege of the floor was extended to Christie Sabo, Director of the OFA, 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. Sabo presented a request for a contract with KLC Property Enhancement, LLC for plowing and sanding at the Bolton meal site as a requirement in the lease agreement with the Church of St. Sacramento for the amount of \$80 per plowing and another \$80 to sand.

Motion was made by Mr. Girard, seconded by Mr. Vanselow and carried unanimously to authorize the contract with KLC Property Enhancement, LLC as outlined above. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes and the necessary resolution was authorized for the October 16, 2015 Board Meeting.*

Ms. Sabo presented a request to extend the following contracts for meal site locations

- Town of Lake Luzerne in the amount of \$13,000
- Cedars I, LP in the amount not to exceed \$16,785

Motion was made by Mr. Sokol, seconded by Mr. Brock and carried unanimously to extend the contract with the Town of Lake Luzerne and Cedars I, LP as outlined above. *Copies of the resolution request form are on file with the minutes and the necessary resolutions were authorized for the October 16, 2015 Board Meeting.*

Next Ms. Sabo addressed a request for authorization to attend the Association on Aging in NY Leadership Institute in Geneva, New York on October 20-22, 2015 at the cost of \$200.00 which included two nights lodging.

Motion was made by Mr. Girard, seconded by Ms. Seeber and carried unanimously to approve the request to approve the travel request. *A copy of Authorization to Attend Meeting or Convention form is on file with the minutes.*

Finally, Ms. Sabo reviewed her 2016 Budget request and the following change was requested:

- Salary Schedule had open positions that were budgeted full-time when they should have been part-time and \$38,000 in benefits were removed.

Ms. Seeber inquired if the Long Term Care Ombudsman was going to be terminated and Ms. Sabo replied in the positive, informing the program would now be administered by the State. Ms. Seeber asked if the Senior Nutrition Appropriation Program (SNAP) would impact the budget and Ms. Sabo answered in the negative, noting the program had a new name Wellness in Nutrition (WIN) which was State funded. Ms. Seeber inquired if there was a contribution by the County and Ms. Sabo replied in the positive. She informed the County was matched up to \$257,846. She noted she received \$208,577 in State revenue and \$33,000 in contributions leaving \$16,269 for the County to fund.

There being no further business to come before the Human Services Committee, on motion made by Mr. Sokol and seconded by Mr. Brock, Mrs. Frasier adjourned the meeting at 10:41 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Molly Ganotes, Legislative Office Specialist