

ONEIDA COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
August 30, 2011

Members present: Mr. John Hoffman, Mr. Peter Wolk, Ms. Carol Pederson, Mr. Jim Sharon, Mr. Paul Dean

Staff: Mr. Paul E. Spencer, Jr., Ms. Mary Rideout, Ms. Donna Levknecht

Guests: Mr. Thomas Wiensch, Mr. Patrick Cork

1. Call to Order. Approval of Agenda:

The regular meeting of the Oneida County Social Services Committee was brought to order at 9:00 a.m. by Mr. John Hoffman, Chairperson. The Chairperson noted that the meeting had been properly posted and mailed in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Laws. Motion made by Mr. Paul Dean, seconded by Ms. Carol Pederson to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Public Comment:

None

3. Minutes of July 26, 2011:

Motion made by Mr. Peter Wolk, seconded by Mr. Jim Sharon to approve the minutes of July 26, 2011. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Aging and Disability Resource Center (update report):

Mr. Paul E. Spencer, Jr. advised the committee that there is no new information as everything has been submitted and we are now waiting to hear back from the State.

5. Social Services Technology Plan and Upgrade schedule (2012):

A handout was provided to the committee regarding upgrades needed in technology in the Social Services Department for 2012. Motion made by Mr. John Hoffman, seconded by Mr. Peter Wolk to approve the Social Services Technology Plan and Upgrade schedule for 2012.

6. 2012 Budget Finalization:

The committee was informed of the Department's goal of absorbing all our budget cuts within our budget. These cuts equal \$176,712.00. A Power point presentation was given to the committee on the budget for the department. The committee was presented with 3 budget options to choose from. Two units will be experiencing cuts, Child Support and Economic Support, with the biggest change in the Economic Support Unit. Option 1 was to change nothing, with a negative impact of \$16,162.00. Option 2 was to eliminate the Child Support Supervisor position, moving staff under the supervision of the Economic Support Supervisor, joining consortia for Economic Support, which will have a negative impact of \$1,379.00. The consortia would consist of Marathon County, Langlade County, Portage County and Oneida County. Option 3 was to eliminate 5 Economic Support workers, 1 Typist, 1 Child Support Supervisor and 1 Account

Clerk with a negative impact of \$90,831.00. Discussion held on the three options and costs involved.

Motion made by Mr. Paul Dean, seconded by Ms. Carol Pederson to go with Option 2 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Staff will continue to attend appropriate meetings and report back to the committee on a monthly basis.

Mr. Thomas Wiensch, Assistant Corporation Counsel will prepare the Resolution for the next County Board meeting to join the consortia for Economic Support service delivery. Mr. Spencer will prepare a letter to the County Board members with information in advance of the County Board meeting.

7. Vacancy Review – Social Worker Position:

The committee was informed that Ms. Michele Weizenicker resigned from her position as social worker to take a job at Lincoln Hills. Mr. Paul Spencer requests that this position in the juvenile court delinquency section be filled.

Motion made by Mr. Peter Wolk, seconded by Mr. Paul Dean to approve filling of the vacate social worker position and to forward it on the Labor Relation/Employee Services. Motion carried unanimously.

8. 2011 Financial/Statistical/Flex Time Reports

The committee reviewed the Financial/Statistical/Flex Time Reports. It is projected that \$316,121.69 will be returned to the county for 2011. Motion made by Mr. John Hoffman, seconded by Mr. Jim Sharon to approve the 2011 Financial/Statistical/Flex Time reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Audit of Payments/Line Item Transfers:

The bills and line item transfers were reviewed by the committee. Motion made by Mr. Peter Wolk, seconded by Mr. Paul Dean to approve the bills and line item transfers as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Public Comment:

None

11. Agenda items for the September 29, 2011 meeting:

Next meeting will include updated information on the Aging and Disability Resource Center and a report on Economic Support planning and progress. The next meeting of the Social Services Committee was moved to September 29, 2011 at 9:00 a.m.

12. Adjourn:

There being no further business to be brought before the Committee, it was moved by Mr. Peter Wolk, seconded by Ms. Carol Pederson to adjourn the meeting at 10:16 a.m. The next meeting of the Social Services Committee will be September 29, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Paul Dean, Secretary