

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE
August 16, 2022

Present: Lisa Virkler, Chair; Andrea Moroughan, Vice-Chair; Richard Chartrand; and Jessica Moser. Legislator Jeff Nellenback had been excused.

Others: Legislators Larry Dolhof, Tom Osborne, Josh Leviker, Phil Hathway, and Ian Gilbert; County Manager Ryan Piche; County Attorney Joan McNichol; Treasurer Eric Virkler; Human Resource Director Caitlyn Smith; and Information Technology Director Conner Biolsi.

Committee Chair Legislator Virkler called the meeting to order at 2:24 p.m.

Legislator Virkler moved to accept the minutes from July 18, 2022 as recorded, seconded by Legislator Moroughan and carried.

Relocation to Glenfield – Jennifer Jones, Social Services Commissioner (attached)

Jenny Jones went through a presentation of pictures showing the new location for social Services, Office For the Aging, and Soil & Water Conservation District. The building was open for business on Monday August 8th. The old Glenfield School sign out front is handy for advertising upcoming events, especially through the Workplace. There is an Open House planned for Thursday, September 1st from 9:00 a.m. To 11:00 a.m. for tours of the facility. The kitchen area has been dubbed “Flo’s Kitchen” with a weekly menu being offered to staff by employees Kasha Davis, Julie Harris, and Trish Mooney. It has even been offered to other Lewis County departments. There have been a few issues like the temperature of the second floor on hot days can get around 90 degrees because the building doesn’t have any AC; there is currently a few people out with covid; and the drinking water was off tasting but it has been tested and determined to be fine to drink.

The following dockets were reviewed:

1. Appropriating funding from NYS under Veterans Peer Support project and authorizing agreement between Lewis County o/b/o Community Services Department and Mental Health Association of Jefferson County to provide services under the project.
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2. Authorizing amendment to agreement between Lewis County o/b/o Community Services Department and TLS and agreement with FDRHPO to provide Single Point of Access (SPOA) services set forth by OMH one-time funding award.
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3. Authorizing revised list of rates for agreement between Lewis County Public Health Agency and various providers for Preschool Special Education programs for the school year 2022-2023.

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The following motion was made:

1. Legislator Virkler moved to authorize Social Services Commissioner, Jennifer Jones to create and send out a RFP for a Warming Center for the 2022-2023 Code Blue Season, seconded by Legislator Moroughan and carried. *Social Services Commissioner, Jennifer Jones explained that due to the guidelines of Code Blue Season it would be easier to have a warming center than to put people up in hotels, especially with hotels being farther away.*

There being no other business to come before the committee, Legislator Virkler moved to adjourn at 2:49 p.m., seconded by Legislator Chartrand and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Cassandra Moser, Clerk of the Board