

**ONEIDA COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**June 25, 2013**

Members present: Ms. Carol Pederson, Mr. Bob Metropulos, Ms. Candy Sorensen, Mr. Bob Martini, Mr. Greg Oettinger

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

Guest: Marcus Nesemann, The Northwoods River News

**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 Ms. Carol Pederson, Chairperson. The Chairperson noted that the meeting had been properly posted and mailed in accordance with the Wisconsin Open Meeting Laws. Motion made by Ms. Candy Sorensen, seconded by Mr. Bob Martini to approve the agenda as posted. Motion carried unanimously.

**2. Minutes of Social Services Committee - May 25, 2013:**

Motion made by Mr. Bob Metropulos, seconded by Mr. Bob Martini to approve the Social Services Committee minutes of May 25, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

**3. Public Comment:**

None

**4. Patient Portability Affordable Care Act Implementation Request:  
Two (2) Income Maintenance Positions:**

Ms. Amy Mayo, Support Programs Supervisor provided a handout and explained some the changes that will be implemented with the patient Portability Affordable Care Act to provide available health insurance. Applications will start to be taken on October 1, 2013, and held until November 18<sup>th</sup> for processing due to computer upgrades, with the actual program starting January 1, 2014. It is estimated that Oneida County will have 2239 new cases resulting from the implementation of this program. Due to the rise in cases, it is felt that Oneida County would need to add two (2) additional positions to handle the case load. The committee was advised that there would be no county tax levy in these positions.

Mr. Paul E. Spencer, Jr., explained that these two (2) positions, if approved, would only be hired after the funding is received, and would only last until the funding ended.

Motion made by Mr. Bob Martini, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos to approve the hiring of two (2) Income Maintenance workers, waive the 6 month waiting period, and send the request on to Labor Relations/Employee Services. Motion carried unanimously.

**5. 2014 Preliminary Budget Overview:**

The committee was provided with a handout with preliminary information on the 2014 Department of Social Services Budget. The goal for the Department is "To maintain tax levy at existing rate without negatively impacting services to Oneida County residents." Information for each category was presented to the committee. The budget for the Department is approximately 6.5 million, with 1.8 million county tax levy money, and approximately \$49 million in services were provided to clients in Oneida County.

The committee was advised that budget decisions would be made at the July meeting, with the finish budget being present at the August meeting.

**6. Vacancy Review Long Term Care Social Worker:**

One of the Long Term Care Social Workers resigned as she accepted a position outside of the county. There is no waiting period for this position. Motion made by Mr. Bob Martini, seconded by Ms. Candy Sorensen to approve the filling of the Long Term Care Social Worker within the Department. Motion carried unanimously.

**7. 2013 Financial/Statistical/Flex Time Reports:**

The committee reviewed the Financial/Statistical/Flex Time Reports. It is projected that the agency will have a deficit of approximately \$129,497.58 for the year. Motion made by Ms. Candy Sorensen, seconded by Mr. Bob Martini to approve the 2013 Financial/Statistical/Flex Time reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**8. Audit of Payments and Line Item Transfers:**

The bills were reviewed by the committee. There were no line item transfers. Motion made by Mr. Bob Martini, seconded by Mr. Bob Metropulos to approve the bills as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**9. Agenda items for the July 23, 2013 meeting:**

Agenda items for the July 23, 2013 meeting will include 2014 Budget items.

**10. Adjourn:**

There being no further business to be brought before the Committee, it was moved by Mr. Bob Martini, seconded by Ms. Carol Pederson to adjourn the meeting at 10:07 a.m. The next meeting of the Social Services Committee will be Tuesday, July 23, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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Ms. Candy Sorensen

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Ms. Carol Pederson, Chairperson

Date: July 23, 2013