

**Herkimer County Legislature  
Committee on Human Resources and Ways & Means  
Committee Meeting**

**Thursday, September 3, 2020**

**Via Zoom**

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**Persons Attending:**

Frederick J. Shaw, Jr. (Chairman, Human Resources/W&M committee member)

Raymond Smith (committee member, both)

Peter F. Manno (Human Resources committee member)

Gregory Malta, Sr. (Human Resources committee member)

Mark Gaworecki (Human Resources committee member)

Robert J. Schrader (Human Resources committee member)

Patrick E. Russell (Chairman, Ways & Means)

Kurt J. Ackerman (Ways & Means committee member)

Raymond Johnson (Ways & Means committee member)

John P Stephens (Ways & Means committee member)

Vincent J. Bono (Chairman of the Legislature)

James W. Wallace, Jr., County Administrator

Brandy Serow, Sec. to County Administrator

Lorraine Lewandrowski, County Attorney

Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer

Steve Billings, Personnel Officer

Christina Cain, Director of Public Health

Kathy Fox, Director of Office for the Aging

**(Non Committee Members Signed In)**

Legislator Bob D. Hollum

Legislator William E. Keeler, Sr.

Legislator John L. Brezinski

Legislator Ray Donley

Legislator Peter J. Campione

Legislator William Weakley

**Absent:**

N/A

Mr. Shaw called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m.

**Items discussed:**

**HUMAN RESOURCES:**

1. Approve Annual Report for Public Health
2. Approve contracts for the provision of education/related services in Public Health
3. Other

**HUMAN RESOURCES AND WAYS & MEANS:**

4. Amending budget and create project in connection with the System of Care Expansion and Sustainability grant in Public Health
5. Amending 2020 budget and create project for detection, surveillance and prevention of COVID-19 in Public Health
6. Accept grant and amend budget for personal protective equipment and cleaning supplies in

Public Health

7. Accept grant and amend budget for Immunization in Public Health
8. Accept relief fund payment and amend budget in Mental Health
9. Approve request to hold virtual Senior Picnic
10. Other

**Committee Vote Record:**

**HUMAN RESOURCES:**

Mr. Shaw: “Number one on the agenda is to approve the Annual Report for Public Health.”

Item #1 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Bono for Human Resources, Item #1 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Mr. Shaw: “Number two is approve contracts for the provision of education/related services in Public Health.”

Item #2 – On motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Smith for Human Resources, Item #2 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #3 –N/A

**HUMAN RESOURCES AND WAYS & MEANS:**

Mr. Shaw: “Number four, amending budget and create project in connection with the System of Care Expansion and Sustainability grant in Public Health

Item #4 – On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Bono for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Smith for Ways & Means, Item #4 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Mr. Shaw: “Number five, amending 2020 budget and create project for detection, surveillance and prevention of COVID-19 in Public Health.”

Item #5 – On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Schrader for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Bono for Ways & Means, Item #5 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Mr. Shaw: “Number six, accept grant and amend budget for personal protective equipment and cleaning supplies in Public Health.”

Item #6 – On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Schrader for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Stephens for Ways & Means, Item #6 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Mr. Shaw: “Number seven, accept grant and amend budget for Immunization in Public Health.”

Item #7 – On motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Smith for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Smith for Ways & Means, Item #7 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Mr. Shaw: “Number eight, accept relief fund payment and amend budget in Mental Health.”

Item #8 – On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Bono for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Bono for Ways & Means, Item #8 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Mr. Shaw: “Number nine, approve request to hold virtual Senior Picnic. Kathy I think you’re on the line?”

Kathy Fox: “I am. We were not able to hold an in person Senior Picnic this year because it is not safe to have that many people together. We are thinking about doing a virtual type of experience. What I was thinking was that we could purchase a BBQ meal that people would pick up at a couple of drive thru locations, one would be in the Old Forge area and one would be down here in the valley. We did get a quote of \$5.25 per meal for each one. We also would supply them with throw away bingo cards that they could use because we are going to try and do conference call bingo. We are going to do it on two or three different conference call lines so people could call in at different times depending on what time they pick up their meal. I am just trying to think out of the box a little bit and give people the Senior Picnic experience. I know it is not going to be the same as it was in previous years. The other thing was businesses donate the prizes for the bingo, this year I thought because of the whole COVID situation with so many small businesses struggling that the County employees and other community members could actually donate gift certificates toward bingo, gift certificates for local businesses, which would help local businesses out too. That is basically my idea, does anybody has any questions?”

Mr. Bono: “It is a good idea.”

Item #9 – On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Schrader for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Russell for Ways & Means, Item #9 was voted on and approved. Unanimous.

Item #10 – N/A.

At 10:48 a.m., on motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Smith, the Human Resources Committee adjourned.

The Ways & Means Committee continued.