



MINUTES

Cumberland County Finance Meeting

April 14, 2021 – 1:30 p.m.
Commissioners' Hearing Room
Courthouse, Carlisle, PA

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Present: Commissioners Gary Eichelberger, Jean Foschi, and Vincent T. DiFilippo.

Commissioner Present via Zoom: None.

Staff Present: Stacy Snyder, Chief Clerk; Tamie Hershey, Office Manager; Angela Smyser, Administrative Specialist; Dana Best, Finance; Kelly Neiderer, Treasurer; Megan Fogelsanger, IMTO;

Staff via Zoom: Brandon Yeager, Kristen Bushman, Ron Snow, Finance; Necole McElwee, Lisa Reider, Children & Youth; Jack Carroll, Ryan Simon, Drug & Alcohol; Kim Bitner, Christine Bowden, Annie Huff, Aging & Community Services; Annie Strite, Susan Carbaugh, Linda McCulloch, MH/IDD; Paul Polensky, Criminal Justice Services; Samantha Krepps, Communications; Robert Shively, Public Safety; Jess Flachsmann, IMTO;

Others Present: None

Others Present via Zoom: Barbara Pearce, citizen.

Call to Order: Commissioner Eichelberger called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes: Commissioner Foschi made a motion to approve the April 7, 2021 meeting minutes. Commissioner DiFilippo seconded the motion and the motion unanimously carried.

Topics of Discussion:

Fiscal Budget: Dana Best reported the budgets are based on estimates as state and federal funding levels are not yet known.

- **Children & Youth:** Lisa Reider reported that they received their certified allocation funding which should cover their needs without being overmatched. Necole McElwee shared that current estimates indicate their numbers will remain the same as in previous years. She also discussed approved positions for the department.
- **Aging & Community Services:** Annie Huff stated the CARES Act and American Rescue Plan Act funds are the focus of the budget. She identified an increase in supplied meals, specifically home-delivered meals. She mentioned the IFF formula will be updated based on the most recent census, which will provide more accurate allocation of federal funding.
- **Drug & Alcohol:** Jack Carroll shared that the department and partnered providers have been successful in converting their services from in-person to virtual. He also provided information regarding reserves by explaining county assistance for medical treatment has been low due to Health Choices. Since the state is not terminating anyone from medical assistance during the

pandemic, we have seen a buildup of funds. These funds will be utilized once the transition away from ongoing medical assistance occurs.

- **MH/IDD:** Sue Carbaugh shared that productivity is still high despite the need to serve clients remotely. She stated the majority of day programs have remained closed, while a few are open at partial capacity, which caused funds to remain unallocated in the budget. Sue shared that referrals have remained high, and the waiting list is currently at 300. They are waiting for approval of the state budget which will provide additional funding for labor to clear the waiting lists. She expressed that EI is looking for a necessary increase in next year's budget. Annie Strite summarized that mental health is seeing an increase in needs for their services, specifically regarding suicide prevention.

Other Business: Kelly Neiderer reported that they will be opening new bank accounts with more financial institutions due to current institutions being hesitant to accept large deposits.

Public Comment: None.

Adjourn: There being no other business to come before the board, Commissioner Eichelberger made a motion to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angela Smyser,
Administrative Specialist