



Sullivan County

Health & Human Services

Meeting Minutes - Final

100 North Street
Monticello, NY 12701

Chairman Catherine Scott
Vice Chairman Matt McPhillips
Committee Member Brian McPhillips
Committee Member Amanda Ward
Committee Member Terry Blosser-Bernardo

Thursday, January 15, 2026

11:30 AM

Government Center

Call To Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Catherine Scott called the Health and Human Services Committee to order at 11:32am.

Roll Call

Present: Catherine Scott, Matt McPhillips, Brian McPhillips, Amanda Ward and Terry Blosser-Bernardo

Comments:

Luis Alvarez, Nadia Rajs

Michelle Bowers, Dan Hust, Robert Freehill, Sharon Jankiewicz, John Liddle, Melissa Stickle

Ken Walter, Lise Kennedy, Dorothy Sanchez, Gabriella Jones, Chris Lesser, Martin Colavito, Matt from the Democrat, Kim from WJFF

Reports:

1. Division of Health and Human Services
January 2026
Monthly Report

[ID-8054](#)

Attachments: [2026-01 HHS Monthly Report](#)

John Liddle, Commissioner of Health & Human Services gave an update on the Division.

Melissa Stickle gave an update on Community Services and the Opioid Task Force.

Discussion:

Public Comment

1. Ken Walter made a public comment.
2. Martin Colavito made a public comment.
3. Yankel Mandelouics made a public comment.

Resolutions:

1. To enter into agreements for the provision of various medical assistance program related services [ID-7958](#)

A motion was made by District 8 Legislator Amanda Ward, seconded by District 9 Legislator Terry Blosser-Bernardo, that this Resolution be carried at Committee to the County Legislature meeting on 1/22/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chairman Scott, Vice Chairman McPhillips, District 3 Legislator McPhillips, District 8 Legislator Ward and District 9 Legislator Blosser-Bernardo

2. To Authorize the approval for the Sullivan County Department of Public Health to apply for and enter into an agreement with the NYS Association for Rural Health Legislative Appropriation to accept funds. [ID-7971](#)

Terry Blosser-Bernardo moved, seconded by Amanda Ward. Matt McPhillips moved to amend by adding a Be It Further Resolved paragraph ***Should the funding be terminated, the County is not obligated to continue this program"*** seconded by Brian McPhillips, all in favor 5-0, Chair Catherine Scott called the question on the resolution as amended, all in favor 5-0.

A motion was made by Vice Chairman Matt McPhillips, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be carried at Committee as Amended to the County Legislature meeting on 1/22/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chairman Scott, Vice Chairman McPhillips, District 3 Legislator McPhillips, District 8 Legislator Ward and District 9 Legislator Blosser-Bernardo

3. To enter into agreement with Greater Adult Neighbors DBA Arcadia Residence [ID-8028](#)

Amanda Ward moved Resolutions #3-#6 in a block, seconded by Brian McPhillips, all in favor 5-0.

A motion was made by District 8 Legislator Amanda Ward, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be carried at Committee to the County Legislature meeting on 1/22/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chairman Scott, Vice Chairman McPhillips, District 3 Legislator McPhillips, District 8 Legislator Ward and District 9 Legislator Blosser-Bernardo

5. To enter into agreement an annual increase for St. Catherine's Center for Children [ID-8038](#)

A motion was made by District 8 Legislator Amanda Ward, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be carried at Committee to the County Legislature meeting on 1/22/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chairman Scott, Vice Chairman McPhillips, District 3 Legislator McPhillips, District 8 Legislator Ward and District 9 Legislator Blosser-Bernardo

6. To enter into an agreement to extend the contract between Honor EHG and DSS [ID-8048](#)

A motion was made by District 8 Legislator Amanda Ward, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be carried at Committee to the County Legislature meeting on 1/22/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chairman Scott, Vice Chairman McPhillips, District 3 Legislator McPhillips, District 8 Legislator Ward and District 9 Legislator Blosser-Bernardo

7. To accept county funds to operate a Rental Supplement Program [ID-8061](#)

Attachments: [Sullivan County RSP Plan 2026-2027 attachment](#)

A motion was made by District 8 Legislator Amanda Ward, seconded by District 3 Legislator Brian McPhillips, that this Resolution be carried at Committee to the County Legislature meeting on 1/22/2026. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Chairman Scott, Vice Chairman McPhillips, District 3 Legislator McPhillips, District 8 Legislator Ward and District 9 Legislator Blosser-Bernardo

Adjourn

There being no further business, Matt McPhillips moved to adjourn, seconded by Amanda Ward. The Health and Human Services Committee was adjourned at 12:25pm.