



# Sullivan County

## Health & Human Services

### Meeting Minutes - Final

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

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**Thursday, November 14, 2024**

**11:00 AM**

**Government Center**

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#### Call To Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Scott called the Health and Human Services Committee to order at 11:54AM. It should be noted that Brian McPhillips and Amanda Ward were not present at Roll Call.

#### Roll Call

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

#### Comments:

Luis Alvarez

Josh Potossek, Michelle Huck, Dan Hust, Robert Freehill, Sharon Jankiewicz, John Liddle, Bobbie from ACC

Ken Walter, Lise Kennedy, Star Hesse, Diane Mestanza, Jerry Stevens, Lou Setren, Alex K. Ruby R.

#### Reports:

1. Division of Health and Human Services  
November 2024  
Monthly Report

[ID-6919](#)

**Attachments:** [2024-11 HHS Monthly Report](#)

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

At this point, Brian McPhillips joined the meeting at 12:00PM.

Bobbi Ann Kanoff gave an update on the Care Center at Sunset Lake.

At this point, Amanda Ward joined the meeting at 12:08PM.

**Discussion: None****Public Comment**

1. Ken Walter made a public comment.
2. Lise Kennedy made a public comment.
3. Lou Setren made a public comment.
4. Diane Mestanza made a public comment
5. Ken Walter made another public comment.
6. Star Hesse made a public comment.

Ken Walter Public Comment HHS

[ID-6947](#)

**Attachments:** [Ken Walter HHS](#)

Diane Mestanza HHS

[ID-6948](#)

**Attachments:** [Diane Mestanza HHS](#)

Lise Kennedy HHS

[ID-6949](#)

**Attachments:** [lise kennedypubliccomment healthandhumanservices](#)

**Resolutions:**

1. To accept grant funding from the NYS Assembly for renovation and upgrade [ID-6916](#)

Amanda Ward moved Resolutions #1-5 in a block, seconded by Terry Bernardo, all in favor 5-0:

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 11/21/2024. 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 modify the contract between Dispute Resolution Center and the DSS [ID-6917](#)

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 11/21/2024. 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 authorize the Department of Social Services to accept a cash donation [ID-6881](#)

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 11/21/2024. 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

4. To enter into agreement with a Medical Assistance program for Personal Emergency Response System (PERS) services [ID-6883](#)

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 11/21/2024. 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 an agreement with Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. (RSS). [ID-6899](#)

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 11/21/2024. 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, Brian McPhillips moved to adjourn, seconded by Matt McPhillips. The Health and Human Services Committee meeting was adjourned at 12:39pm.