

# PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

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Date: Wednesday, January 28, 2026 @ 9:00 AM

Location: *Supervisors' Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the government center.*

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Absent: Prior

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<i>Supervisor Granger, T/Gainesville called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.</i>			
<b>9:00 AM Committee Chair's Agenda</b>			
		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<b>9:00 AM Mental Health w/K. Dryja</b>			
<b>1. Re-appointments:</b> COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD <i>Supervisor Member</i> <i>One (1) year term effective January 01, 2026 through December 31, 2026</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Nathan Rudgers (T/Covington)</b>, 7414 Morrow Road, Pavilion, NY 14525</li> </ul> MENTAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE <i>Supervisor Member</i> <i>One (1) year term effective January 01, 2026 through December 31, 2026</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Nathan Rudgers (T/Covington)</b>, 7414 Morrow Road, Pavilion, NY 14525</li> </ul>		Motion: Smith Ayes: 5 Noes: Absent: 2 Rudgers, Prior	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to:
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<b>2. Appointment/Reappointment:</b> <b>Community Services Board</b> <i>Four (4) year term effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2029</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Pam Wilkie</b>, 5721 Mungers Mill Rd, Silver Springs, NY 14550 (to replace Kathy Blakeslee)</li> </ul> <b>ASA Subcommittee</b> <i>Four (4) year term effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2029</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Pam Wilkie</b>, 5721 Mungers Mill Rd, Silver Springs, NY 14550 (to replace Kathy Blakeslee)</li> </ul> <b>MH Subcommittee</b> <i>Four (4) year term effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2029</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Kathryn Kibler</b>, 18 Linwood Ave., Warsaw, NY 14569 (to replace Angela Mason)</li> </ul>		Motion: Smith Ayes: 5 Noes: Absent: 2 Rudgers, Prior	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to:
			<b>*RESOLUTION</b>
<b>3. Professional Service Contract (\$5,001 or greater):</b> Authorize Chairman to sign a contract, pursuant to General Municipal Law §104(b), with <b>Daniel Antonius, Ph.D.</b> , 172 St. James Place, Buffalo, NY 14222 for the provision of competency psychiatric examinations in an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00; effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. <b>(MUNIS CONTRACT #3522)</b>		Motion: Merrill Ayes: 5 Noes: Absent: 2 Rudgers, Prior	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to:
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<b>4. Professional Service Contract (\$5,001 or greater):</b> Authorize Chairman to sign a contract, pursuant to General Municipal Law §104(b), with <b>Corey Leidenfrost, Ph.D.</b> , 253 Highland Ave., Buffalo, NY 14222 for the provision of competency psychiatric examinations in an amount not to exceed \$12,000.00; effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. <b>(MUNIS CONTRACT #3521)</b>		Motion: Merrill Ayes: 5 Noes: Absent: 2 Rudgers, Prior	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to:
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<p><b>5. FYI - <u>Interdepartmental Contract (Revenue): \$3,001 or greater:</u></b></p> <p>Contract with <b>Wyoming County Sheriff – DWI Program</b> 151 North Main St., Warsaw, NY 14569 for the provision of STOP-DWI program in an amount not to exceed \$8,500.00; effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. (<b>MUNIS Contract #3518</b>)</p>		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<p><b>6. 2025 Appropriation:</b></p> <p><b>To:</b> 014221.542306 RSTRC Opioid Misc Exp Restricted  <u>\$6,780.97</u></p> <p><b>w/01422100.427350 RSTRC Opioid Settlement Funds</b>  <u>\$6,780.97</u></p> <p><b>Reason:</b> to cover cost of medications for opioid use disorder for incarcerated individuals at Wyoming County Jail</p>		Motion: Klein Ayes: 5 Noes: Absent: 2 Rudgers, Prior	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to:
<b>At 9:07 AM Supervisor Rudgers, T/Covington entered the meeting during the below agenda item.</b>			
<p><b>7. Grant Application and Acceptance:</b></p> <p>Authorize Chairman to sign a grant application and acceptance award with <b>NYS Office of Addiction Services and Supports</b>, 1450 Western Ave., Albany, NY 12203, for the 2025 Opioid Settlement Fund Regional Abatement funding for substance use prevention, treatment, harm reduction, and recovery services needs in a minimum amount of \$73,386.00; effective April 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026. (<b>MUNIS CONTRACT #3519</b>)</p>		Motion: Smith Ayes: 6 Noes: Absent: 1 Prior	Carried: <b>XXX</b> Defeated: Referred to:
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<p><b>8. Presentation:</b></p> <p><b><u>Community-Level Youth Development Evaluation</u></b> (CLYDE)</p> <p>Wyoming County School Survey Results by Sabrina Wright, Partners for Prevention Supervisor</p>	<p><b><u>30 Day Use Statistics</u></b></p>	Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:

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9. <u>Monthly Update</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opioid Settlement Funds – <b>RFA</b> (regional funding to LGU awarded to local entities)</li> </ul>		Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
<b>9:30 AM Public Health w/G. Collins, L. Paolucci, R. Jines, J. Merrill &amp; A. Robb</b>			
1. <b>Reappointment ~</b>  <b>Board of Health</b> <b>Supervisor Representative</b> <i>One (1) year term; effective January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Nathan Rudgers</b>, 7414 Morrow Road Pavilion, NY 14525</li> </ul>		Motion: Merrill Ayes: 6 Noes: Absent: 1 Prior	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to:  <b>*RESOLUTION</b>
2. <b>Overnight Travel Authorization:</b> W. Lampke, Coroner to attend NYSACCME Spring Training Conference March 20-22, 2026 at Tioga Downs, Nichols, NY. Travel by personal vehicle. Training and Conference Registrations, hotel, employee expenses and mileage budgeted.		Motion: Granger Ayes: 6 Noes: Absent: 1 Prior	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to:  <b>APPROVED</b>
3. <b>Overnight Travel Authorization:</b> L. Paolucci, PH Administrator to attend the NYSAC Legislative Conference, March 16-18 at the Desmond Hotel, Albany, NY. Travel by county vehicle. Conference registration paid by NYSACHO. Employee expenses, hotel and gas approximately \$500, funds budgeted.		Motion: Merrill Ayes: 6 Noes: Absent: 1 Prior	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to:  <b>APPROVED</b>

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4. <b><i>Request Annual Public Health Committee 2026 permission allowing Department Head or designee to approve periodic transport of non-County personnel in a County-owned vehicle as specified by provisions of the "Wyoming County Vehicle Use Policy"</i></b>	<p>Section VIII. USE OF COUNTY VEHICLES</p> <p>2. Non-County personnel are not permitted in County Vehicles under any circumstance, unless expressly authorized by his or her Department Head <u>and the Standing Committee the Department Head reports to</u> and shall not be used to transport passengers unless they are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. County employees engaged in official County business;</li> <li>b. Non-County employees engaged in official County business with County Employees; or</li> <li>c. Inmates, parolees, or absconders in the control or custody of the County's Sheriff's Department.</li> </ol>	<p>Motion: Klein          Ayes: 6          Noes:          Absent: 1 Prior</p>	<p>Carried: XXX          Defeated:          Referred to:</p>
5. <b><i>Wyoming County Health Department</i></b>		<p>Motion:          Ayes:          Noes:          Absent:</p>	<p>Carried:          Defeated:          Referred to:</p>

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6. <i>Community Health Assessment and Community Health Improvement Plan completed with GO Health and submitted to NYS Department of Health.</i>	<p>Allison Robb, Public Health Program Specialist to provide an overview of the process, key findings and priority areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The CDC Public Health Infrastructure Grant funding was authorized to strengthen health department workforce and improve foundational capacities;</li> <li>• WCHD applied and was approved for \$559,883.00 in funding from 12/1/2022 through 11/30/2027;</li> <li>• Funds to date have been used for facility improvements, IT equipment replacement, vehicle purchase, staff retention and offset of approved wage adjustments;</li> <li>• On 1/24/26, the CDC issued a stop work order to all states related to PHIG funding “to review and evaluate activities funding within this PHIG award program to ensure alignment with administration and agency priorities”;</li> <li>• NYSDOH relayed the CDC emphasized the need for these funds to be spent fully, efficiently and in alignment with administration priorities and is advocating for the continuation of these funds beyond 2027;</li> <li>• On 1/27/26 NYSDOH received official PHIG notice of award (NOA) reinstatement with no changes, signaling no interruption to PHIG activities at any level.</li> <li>• WCHD is on track to fully expend awarded funds.</li> </ul>	Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
7. <b>Discussion Item:</b>	<p><b>PH Admin. Paolucci thanked HR for advancing the request.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CSEA MOU in process to move Health Insurance Enrollment Specialist CSEA Schedule A, Grade 12 effective January 1, 2026.</li> </ul>	Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:
8. <b>Request permission to Amend Resolution #24-621</b>	<p>Authorize Chairman to sign an Amended Contract with <b>CredibleMind</b>, 20 Liberty Ship Way, Suite 3200, Sausalito, CA 94965, to reflect the following revisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increase the contract by \$3,000 for the remaining term for online site promotion. All else remains the same; not to exceed \$22,630.00 (<b>MUNIS Change Order # 2547 PENDING</b>)</li> </ul>	Motion: Granger Ayes: 6 Noes: Absent: 1 Prior	Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to:  <b>*RESOLUTION</b>

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<b>9. Operational Update (As Needed):</b>			
<b><u>ADMINISTRATION:</u></b>			
➤ 2026 Events in process: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Night Out (August 6<sup>th</sup> at Perry Park)</li> <li>• Veterans Health and Benefit Fair (March 30<sup>th</sup> at the Ag Center)</li> <li>• Easter Egg Hunt (April 3<sup>rd</sup> at Warsaw Village Park)</li> <li>• New Septic System Replacement grant                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Same water bodies as Phase IV</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:	
<b><u>ENVIRONMENTAL:</u></b>			
➤ Tentative 2026 Rabies Clinic Schedule			
➤ Env. Health Director Jines publicly thanked PH Sanitarian, Rick Stevens, for mentoring new employees.			
<b><u>CLINICAL &amp; COMMUNITY HEALTH:</u></b>			
➤ Engagement with regional community partners resulting in items for community distribution (WNY Children's Environmental Health, Project Safe & Warm, Poison Control, RG&E, etc)			
<b><u>PH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS:</u></b>			
<b><u>JAIL MEDICAL:</u></b>			
➤ New MH Provider has started and all seems to be going well.			
<b><u>CORONERS:</u></b>			
<b><u>WEIGHTS &amp; MEASURES:</u></b>			
➤ <i>December Environmental Health and Weights &amp; Measures Report</i>			
<b>County Administrator w/S. Schrader</b>			
	<i>~Nothing to Report~</i>	Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:	Carried: Defeated: Referred to:

Signature of Committee Chairman: p/N. Rudgers (minutes prepared by C. Ketchum).

Next Public Health Committee Meeting scheduled for **Wednesday, February 25, 2026 @ 9:00 AM**.

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