

Present: Legislators Clattenburg, Stein, Bausch, Young, Also Present: Legislators Maha, Hilchey, Dibble, Torrey, Legislature Clerk Pamela LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Asst. Co. Manager Matt Landers, Treasurer Scott German, Human Resources Director Anita Cleveland, Genevieve Mathewson, Real Property Director Kevin Andrews, Self-Insurance Executive Secretary Kathy Jasinski, Pembroke Supervisor John Worth, Highway Superintendent Tim Hens, Howard Owens-The Batavian, Brain Quinn-The Daily News

Ways & Means Committee Chair Clattenburg called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM in the Legislature Conference Room at the Old Courthouse. Legislator Clattenburg made a motion to amend the agenda to add Highway Department items relating to construction work on Searls Road Bridge seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously. Minutes of the August 1, 2018 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Bausch seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

Real Property Director Kevin Andrews explained that the County owns property on Chapel Street in the Village of Elba. The 12.4 acre parcel is not used in its entirety. The Highway Superintendent determined that approximately 11.3 acres is no longer needed for public use by the County. An adjacent landowner is interested in purchasing this landlocked parcel and would need a right of way to be granted to allow access to the parcel and increase the number of potential bidders. A minimum bid of \$5,000 will be required to cover costs associated with a survey and other fees. Mr. Andrews stated that if approved, he will file an application with the Town of Elba Planning Board to split the parcel. The adjacent landowner wants to use the property for recreational purposes. Selling the property will ultimately reduce the County liability. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Bausch seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

County Manager Jay Gsell explained that the County has been working with the City of Batavia on a Sales Tax Sharing Agreement. The current agreement has an expiration date of December 31, 2018. Both the City and County are satisfied with the latest draft which is included in the resolution authorizing the Chairman to sign the agreement. The new agreement is a 40 year agreement between the County and City of Batavia. The draft agreement has been sent to the Comptroller's office for initial review however the official review and required approval will not come until both the City and County pass approving resolutions. Mr. Gsell related that City Council has a special session scheduled for Monday, September 10, 2018 where Council will review the agreement. Ways & Means Chair Clattenburg stated that the Sales Tax Allocation Committee met last week and is supportive of this draft agreement. Unlike the current agreement, the new one is exclusively between the County and City with no allocation to areas outside the City of Batavia. A separate Revenue Sharing agreement will be made between the county and each town and village. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

Treasurer Scott German explained that by selling the County motor pool and leasing with Enterprise there are funds remaining that were allocated to cover expenses related to the closing of the fund. Mr. German is requesting the Committee provide direction regarding where to place the \$226,178. It was determined the surplus remaining in the Internal Service Fund should be transferred to the Building & Equipment Reserve-Infrastructure Fund. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Bausch seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

Highway Superintendent Tim Hens explained that the Searls Road Bridge project will have 95% of the cost covered by Federal funding. There is limited time remaining in the construction season but with approval of a budget amendment increasing the project total to \$832,350, the award can be made and the project will be completed within three years of the start of construction. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens next explained that a BRIDGE-NY grant was awarded to the County and the funds will be used to replace the Searls Road Bridge. A total of six bids were received and he is recommending a contract with CP Ward for the construction and replacement of the bridge and with Fisher Associates for the construction inspection and administration of the bridge replacement. The award totals are \$659,563 which will be funded by the established capital project. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Bausch seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

STOP-DWI Coordinator Matt Landers shared highlights of his department review. Arrests have been consistent but revenue from fines is down about 45%. He was forced to recommend cuts to all aspects of the programming including 24% reduction in enforcement, 12% adjudication, 14% treatment and rehabilitation. They held the publicity event at the Muckdogs Game and hosted a recognition dinner where members of law enforcement are recognized for DWI arrests. He explained that they are exploring a collaborative for fine collection that would include multiple counties. At this time they are exploring the option and looking into the legality of a collaborative.

Mr. Landers presented the STOP-DWI plan for 2019 which includes a reduction in funding to the enforcement, prosecution, adjudication, education and treatment programs due to the reduction in collected fines. The plan calls for \$136,465 which is 100% funded from the collection of fines. The STOP-DWI Advisory Committee reviewed the proposed plan and budget and they understand the need for cuts to programs. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

Self-Insurance Secretary Kathy Jasinski reviewed the department report and commented on the upcoming Workers' Compensation fall seminar that legislators and all plan participants will be invited to. She is assisting with the coordination of safety trainings

that are covered by grant money the county secured. She stated they continue to institute the new assessment method for plan participants.

Ms. Jasinski explained that the County Self Insurance Plan purchased excess insurance through Midwest Employers Casualty and requested the Committee approve of the contract and authorize the Chairman to sign. The total cost for the premium is \$200,147 for August 1, 2018 through July 31, 2019. This covers catastrophic claims and is secured through the County broker Lawley Genesee. The "cancer coverage" for firefighters is not included therefore departments are required to have a separate policy. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

Mr. Landers and Ms. Jasinski presented their recommended Self Insurance Plan 2019 Budget and Apportionment. The 2019 recommended budget is less than the 2018 budget and is closer to being fully funded. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

The following referrals were from the Human Services Committee upon motion of Chair Young:

1. Contract-Health Department/Preschool Supportive Health Services Program-Letchworth CS seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.
2. Contract-Health Department/Preschool Supportive Health Services Program-Aurora Audiology seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.
3. Opioid Crisis Funding Acceptance/Budget Amendment-Health Department seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.
4. 2018 Salary Schedule Amendment-Health Department seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the Ways & Means Committee is scheduled for September 19, 2018.

County Manager Jay Gsell explained that the County has a Shared Services Plan and must hold public hearings to obtain additional input and comment. The State legislation requires Counties to engage towns and villages and they can invite school districts to discuss and plan for shared services that result in reduced spending. Genesee County has embraced shared services for years and is ahead of the remainder of the state with collaboration and cost savings from sharing services among and between the county and municipalities. Mr. Gsell presented a resolution that listed two public hearing dates. Upon motion of Legislator Bausch an additional date, September 19, 2018 at 4:30 pm was added to the resolution seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Bausch seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 5:29 pm upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

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