

Present: Legislators Bausch, Young Clattenburg, Cianfrini. Also Present: Legislators Deleo, Davis, Torrey, Legislature Clerk LaGrou, County Manager Gsell, Assistant County Manager Matt Landers, Treasurer Scott German, HR Director Anita Cleveland, County Clerk Mike Cianfrini, Deputy County Clerk Leslie Krajewski, County Attorney Kevin Earl, John Hilchey, Asst. County Attorney Durin Rogers, JCAC Coordinator Theresa Asmus-Roth, Self-Insurance Secretary Kathy Jasinski, Mallory Dieffenbach, Howard Owens

Ways & Means Chairman Bausch called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM in the Legislature Conference room and appointed Legislator Andrew Young to temporarily serve in the absence of Legislator Stein. The minutes of the October 4, 2017 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Cianfrini, carried unanimously.

Treasurer Scott German explained the County has a contract for deferred compensation services (457 Plan Services) with ICMA that is set to expire 12/31/17 however there are 2-one year renewal options. He is requesting approval of a one year renewal at this time. Approximately 150-175 county employees have a deferred comp account. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Cianfrini, carried unanimously.

Mr. German explained that the last IGT payment is available to the County. The county owned the Nursing Home in 2016 therefore is eligible to receive the payment. The total amount is \$5,125,000 with a County required 50% match. The budget impact is an increase in expenditures of \$2,562,000 in the General Fund and increase in revenue to the General Nursing Home Revenue of \$5,125,000. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

Human Resources Director Anita Cleveland explained the County has contracted with Educational Resource Associates for EAP services since 2010. Services include counseling for employees and family members and organized training for employee groups. Cost for the contract renewal period of 1/1/2018-12/31/2018 is \$6,480. The contract covers county employees and their family members, not town or village employees. Specific usage data is not provided to the HR Director. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Ms. Cleveland explained the next resolution which allows the participants of the County Medical Flexible Spending Account to have the maximum allowable deduction per IRS regulations. That amount is going up from \$2,550 to \$2,600 effective January 1, 2018. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

County Clerk Mike Cianfrini and Deputy Leslie Krajewski provided their department review. Genesee County Clerk's office has been the recipient for the second year in a

row of the Donate Life Award. The Recording office has one vacancy. They are working on cross-training employees and hope to have the position filled soon. They have begun eRecording (land documents) which about half New York Counties are doing. They recently signed up for eFiling (civil files) and have begun the process of backscanning land records in anticipation of going online. They continue to have issues with the SAFE ACT including the recertification process. They have a high volume of new pistol permit applications and amendment transactions and began charging \$5.00 for a pistol permit application. Building and office security continues to be a concern for the recording office and DMV. The DMV office is fully staffed. Dealer work is high and they are on pace to generate \$170,000 for 2017. They continue to advocate for an increase in the County share of transactions. The legislation was passed by the Assembly and Senate but the Governor failed to sign. A new level of ID is going to be available; Real ID-this requires individuals to come into the office which will generate more foot traffic. Legislator Young shared that he has received many positive comments about the service provided by both the recording and DVM offices.

Self-Insurance Secretary Kathy Jasinski and Asst. County Attorney Matt Landers explained they had requested proposals for the Third Party Administration services for the Plan for January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020 with optional two-one year renewals. After careful review by a committee comprised of employees and Legislator Bausch, they are recommending a contract with Key Insurance & Benefits Services at a cost of \$47,400 for 2018, \$48,720 for 2019 and \$49,800 for 2020. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Cianfrini, carried unanimously.

The following referrals were from the Public Service Committee upon Motion of Chair Clattenburg:

1. Quote Approval/Budget Amendment – Sheriff / Professional Services, Radio Technologies seconded by Legislator Cianfrini, carried unanimously.
2. Budget Amendment/Agreement-Public Access Defibrillation-Emergency Management Service seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.
3. Justice for Children Advocacy Center Budget Amendment Request seconded by Legislator Cianfrini, carried unanimously.
4. Capital Projects – Budget Amendment/Authorization to Close-Highway seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.
5. Salary Schedule Amendment-Highway-County Road Fund seconded by Legislator Cianfrini, carried unanimously.
6. Surplus Equipment-Highway Internal Service Fund and Road Machinery Fund seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

County Manager Jay Gsell presented a resolution that sets the required public hearing on the 2018 County Budget for Wednesday, November 8th at 6:30 PM. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the Ways & Means Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, November 1, 2017.

Ways & Means Chair Bausch explained that NYSAC contacted counties and asked for consideration of a resolution supporting the preservation of the Federal Income Tax Deduction for State and Local Taxes. Legislator Cianfrini questioned what will be used to take the place of this deduction. He further stated that someone making \$50,000 is not paying \$22,000 in taxes and few Genesee County residents would benefit. Legislator Young stated his concern with lobbying federal representatives but he does not oppose the measure going before the full legislature so all members have the opportunity to vote. Legislator Clattenburg stated that she understood that we send more to Washington DC than we ever get back and NY will be affected more because we are a highly taxed state. Chair Bausch stated he is not supportive of the resolution. Legislators Young and Clattenburg voted yes, Legislators Bausch and Cianfrini voted no.

The meeting adjourned at 5:06 PM upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Cianfrini, carried unanimously.

Robert Bausch, Chair
Ways & Means Committee
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