

PRESENT: Chair Hancock, Legislators Cianfrini, DeJaneiro, Lawrence, County Manager Gsell. Also Present: Legislature Clerk Kingdon, Legislators Stein, Clattenburg, Information Technology Director Zimmer, Job Development Director Gage, County Attorney Zambito, Veterans Director Joyce, Daily News Reporter Mrozek and Batavian Reporter Owens.

Chair Hancock called the meeting to order at 4PM in the Legislature Conference Room. The minutes of the March 20 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Lawrence seconded by Legislator Cianfrini.

Director of Job Development Gage presented a Sub-Lease Agreement with Remedy Intelligent Staffing, Inc. The Genesee County Job Development Bureau will be providing space to Remedy Intelligent Staffing solely for their business operations. They will be renting a cubicle area and will have use of the common areas. Remedy Intelligent Staffing will have a month to month lease with a monthly cost of \$555.00. The hours will be the same as Job Development. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Lawrence seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro.

Mr. Gage requested permission to apply for ACCES funding and authorization for the Chair of the Legislature to sign the application. If the application is approved Mr. Gage will come back to the Committee to accept the funding. This was approved by Legislator DeJaneiro seconded by Legislator Cianfrini.

Information Technology Director Zimmer present his Department Review, the Operating budget is on track through the first quarter. Year end projection is within the adopted budget. The GIS project is behind schedule and in-house staff continues to struggle with the upgrade to ESRI (GIS) software. The technology aspect is more difficult to handle than anticipated however the IT department keeps working on it and they will revisit the plan in May. Expected upcoming projects in 2014 include the National Grid Pole Rental Renewal for County Fiber. This was last done in 2004 and is schedule to be renewed in 2014 for another 10 years. It is estimated that this will cost approximately \$60,000 and that funding for this project will need to be determined. Legislator Cianfrini asked if this could be paid over the 10 year period rather than all at once. Director Zimmer said he will look into that option. There will be a \$10,000 estimated increase in phone maintenance for software upgrades. The version that was installed two years ago is outdated and needs to be upgraded. The county has invested significant money over the past 10 years in the GIS application. To expand the use of this application with existing staff is not possible. A decision will need to be made if maintaining the current system is acceptable or if they want to grow the use of the application to other departments. The County currently only has one connection to internet service at County Building II. This connection rides on telephone poles from downtown Batavia to Building II. If this connection is severed all applications are down until the physical fiber is repaired. The risk of not having a second internet connection is significant if the County were to miss a payroll, cannot transfer funds. If the county were to install a second line it would double its operation budget. Legislator Cianfrini asked if grant funding or possible Homeland

Security funding could be used to fix this problem. Mr. Zimmer explained that those funds do not pay operating expenses, but that funds from E911 could maybe be used as this would impact 911 calls into the county.

County Attorney Zambito requested an amendment to his budget due to unexpected insurance expenses. Increases in the insurance premium are due to electronic data processing equipment upgrades along with the new voting machines. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator DeJaneiro.

One referral from Human Service was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Lawrence:

Surplus Property-Health Department/Office Furniture-Approval of

County Manager Gsell presented a lease agreement with Genesee Veterans Support Network for the lease of space at County Building #2 for administrative purposes for the period of April 1, 2013 through March 31, 2014 at a rate of \$1.00 annually. This organization has been working out of a car and would like more space. They have provided liability coverage that is sufficient to our requirements. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Lawrence seconded by Legislator Cianfrini.

Mr. Gsell requested a Salary Schedule Amendment for the County's Veterans Services Director. A 211 Waiver request that was submitted to the State Civil Service was denied. In order for Mr. Joyce to receive his full pension an adjustment in his salary is necessary. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Lawrence. Legislator Cianfrini noted that the response was confusing and that he appreciates Mr. Joyce for making the best out of a bad situation. Legislator Lawrence added we need to keep trying and to reapply with good cause.

Legislature Clerk reminded the Committee that there will be a joint dinner with GCC on April 17th at 6:30 pm.

County Clerk Read updated the Committee on the implications his office is facing with regards to the newly implemented SAFE Act. The County Clerk's office has received over 3,000 Opt-out forms, the vast majority of which have been by walk in clients. His office would typically see 120-140 requests per year. In the first three months of 2013 they have received over 400 new applications and have distributed at least another 400 which have not yet been filed. Due to the high volume of these requests it has be tough on his staff to accomplish other work that needs to get done. There have been some routine requests that can now be done on-line which helps. Mr. Read handed out a report he put together and that report is attached to these minutes. Chair Hancock thanked Mr. Read for his update to the Committee.

The Committee adjourned to Executive Session at 5:15 PM upon motion of Legislator Lawrence seconded by Legislator Cianfrini. The Committee adjourned from Executive Session at 5:30 PM upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Lawrence.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 PM upon motion of Legislator Lawrence seconded by Legislator Cianfrini.

Mary Pat Hancock, Fill-In-Chair
Ways & Means Committee

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