

Present: Legislator Bausch, Cianfrini, Stein, Clattenburg. Also Present: Legislators Deleo, Young, DeJaniero, Torrey, Legislature Clerk LaGrou, County Manager Gsell, Assistant County Manager Landers, County Attorney Zambito, Job Development Director Scott Gage, Real Property Director Kevin Andrews, Parks Director Paul Osborn, Workers Compensation Coordinator Kathy Jasinski, Mike Pettinella, Jim Krencik, Billie Owens

Chair Bausch called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM in the GCC Board Room. Minutes from the April 20, 2016 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

Chair Bausch called on Job Development Director Scott Gage to present a resolution that authorizes a sub-lease agreement for the reimbursement of the Genesee County Job Development Bureau for space used by NYS ACES-VR. The space is used for them to meet with clients and provide orientations. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

County Manager Jay Gsell described a request from the film crew who will be producing Marshall, a movie about Thurgood Marshall. They are very interested in using the Old County Courthouse as a backdrop for filming courtroom scenes and on the steps of the building. They will need to cover or temporarily modify some non-era plaques and exit signs, etc. Everything will be restored upon conclusion of filming. Facility use request includes May 31-June 2 for preparation, actual filming and clean-up. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

Next, County Attorney Charles Zambito highlighted his written department report. The change from part-time to full time has been beneficial to all involved. The increase in work has come from working with HR on personnel matters including a termination and several disciplinary cases. Previously, the HR Director used outside counsel at an additional cost. A confidential report outlining current litigation was forwarded and can be reviewed more specifically in Executive Session. Mr. Zambito related that department heads are now more apt to contact him with preliminary legal questions and they are now of the mindset that he is full-time and available to them. Moreover, he is reviewing all contracts. His review is from a legal perspective. Legislator Cianfrini stated that with the probability Mr. Zambito will be leaving his position as County Attorney on December 31, he asked if there is a timeframe he would recommend for securing his replacement. Mr. Zambito suggested the sooner the better but stated variables such as full or part time and what will fit for those interested in the position will impact the decision. Mr. Zambito reminded legislators that if he is elected, he will not have the ability to help, train a replacement or have any contact after December 31st. The County Attorney's office continues to deal with insurance questions and issues however there is additional expertise from the broker. The Nursing Home work has been minimal with the exception of the recent past with the change in administration. When the sale is closed, it is anticipated there will be a spike in work for the Attorney's office.

Paul Osborn distributed a map of DeWitt Recreation Area with specific markings that identify where a transformer will be located. A transformer is their best option for current and future needs. They have referenced the Master plan and are using it as a guide for making decisions. The transformer is small and can be camouflaged with landscaping. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Next, Real Property Director Kevin Andrews described the first of two resolutions which calls for setting a public hearing pursuant to section 485-r of the NYS Real Property Tax Law. The public hearing date listed in the resolution is May 25, 2016. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

Mr. Andrews next presented on the resolution to introduce a local law to amend the tax laws pursuant to section 485-r of the NYS Real Property Tax Law. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

The following resolution was referred from Human Services Committee upon motion of Legislator Stein:

Appointment-Genesee County Youth Board – Approval Of- seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

County Manager Gsell requested a budget amendment for a capital project at the Emergency Management Facility. Additional work is now slated to be done inside the building and if it were put off until a later date, would cost more. Legislator Stein requested an update on the status of the 1% sales tax revenue and expenses. It is this fund that will be tapped for the additional cost. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

County Manger Gsell related the continued push by NYSAC on the following issues; The state covering the state mandated increase to DA salary, Covering cost of indigent defense and the universal application of the 911 Surcharge to all devices.

Legislature Clerk LaGrou announced the date of the next Ways & Means Committee meeting; Wednesday, May 18th at the Old Courthouse.

Ways & Means Chair Bausch explained there is a vacant seat on the Genesee Funding Corporation Board and Dr. William Lapple of LeRoy has submitted a completed application and is seeking appointment. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Mr. Bausch also explained that the GCC Trustee term for Laurie Miller of Alexander is ending on June 30, 2016. Ms. Miller submitted a letter requesting reappointment to the GCC Board of Trustees through 6/30/23. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 pm upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.



Robert Bausch, Chair
Ways & Means Committee
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