

Present: Legislator Bausch, Cianfrini, Lawrence, Clattenburg. Also Present: Legislature Clerk Kingdon, Legislator Ferrando, Stein, Torrey, Young, County Manager Gsell, Assistant County Manager Landers, County Treasurer German, Deputy Treasurer Stack, Human Resource Manager Cleveland, County Historian Conklin, Sheriff Maha, GCEDC Representatives Steve Hyde, Rachel Tabelski, Mark Masse, Russ Gaenzle, News Reporter Mrozak and Batavia Reporter Howard Owens.

Chair Bausch called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM in the Legislature Conference Room. The minutes of the February 19, 2014 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Lawrence.

Sheriff Maha presented a resolution that would allow the creation of a temporary Jail Superintendent position for transitional training purposes before the current Jail Superintendent retires at the end of the month. This temporary position would not exceed 10 days at a cost not to exceed \$3, 831.94. Sheriff Maha stated that Bill Zipfel would become the new Jail Superintendent. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Clattenburg.

Steve Hyde Chief Executive Officer for the Genesee County Economic Development Center presented his agency review. The GCEDC is a public benefit organization that was established in 1979. It is the lead agency for county wide economic development strategy, sales and marketing. The board consists of 7 members appointed by the County Legislature. The GCEDC budget is around \$1.3 million. The EDC urges that the County contribution remains critical to continue to implement the progressive economic development strategy for the County. The Genesee Gateway Local Development Corporation was established in 2004 by the EDC. This board is made up of 9 members appointed by the EDC. The role of the GGLDC is to support the EDC and the County. Funds generated by economic development projects are reinvested across the community. Results from 2013 ended up with 28 projects closed, 270 pledged job creation, 29.9 million was committed as capital investment and 1.7 million in grants was secured for business and infrastructure improvements. Lastly Mr. Hyde gave an update on the WNY STAMP site. They are currently in pursuit of \$33 million in funding for this site. The focus of this funding is from the 2015 New York State Budget along with State and Municipal Infrastructure Program Capital Fund. The site development for this property was completed along with the environmental review and re-zoning. The regional water and wastewater sourcing study is also complete. The Committee thanked Mr. Hyde and his staff for their report.

Mark Masse from the EDC gave a short presentation regarding the proposed PIF funding for Appletree Acres in the Town of Bergen. The Bergen Municipal Electric Company approached the GCEDC about the need to install new power lines to keep the electric loop "closed" for their system that supports not only Appletree Acres, but the Village of Bergen as well. The estimated cost for this installation is approximately \$150,000. There are currently no grant funds available to pay for this construction. The GCEDC is proposing a PILOT Increment Financing (PIF) on the new manufacturing project. This financing is a flexible financial tool that allows a community to promote investment in

targeted redevelopment areas. A PIF allows for monies which are otherwise payable to a taxing jurisdiction to go into a fund that is used to pay for infrastructure costs. The arrangement requires the participation, approval and cooperation of all taxing jurisdictions (Town of Bergen, Genesee County and the Byron Bergen School District.) The proposal for this funding is a 50% PIF with the taxing jurisdictions receiving 50% of the payments and the infrastructure fund receiving the other 50%. The GCEDC has met with representatives from the Town, County and School District to see if there was any interest in this. All said it would be worth looking into and discussing with their Boards. The Ways and Means did consider this proposal and did recommend that as things progress for Mr. Masse to bring this item back for further consideration.

Mr. Russ Gaenzle from Harris Beach presented a resolution that would allow the issuance of bonds up to \$6,000,000 for the Genesee Community College Foundation Housing Services. Due to Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, Genesee County in this instance is the applicable elected representative of Genesee County. This project consists of two student housing facilities which contain 16 living units with up to 64 beds along with parking and infrastructure and other improvements. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Lawrence.

The following referrals were from the Human Service Committee upon motion of Legislator Lawrence:

Salary Schedule Amendment/Budget Transfer/History seconded by Legislator Clattenburg.

Salary Schedule Amendment-Mental Health/Intake Clerk seconded by Legislator Cianfrini

Budget Amendment-Mental Health/Medication Insurance Reimbursement seconded by Legislator Clattenburg

County Manager Gsell presented a lease agreement with the Genesee Veterans Support Network for the lease of space at County Building 2 from April 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015 at a rate of \$1.00 annually. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Lawrence.

Chair Bausch presented the Rules of the Genesee County Legislature for 2014-2015. The time of the Legislature Meetings has been changed from 7:00 PM to 5:30 PM. This was approved for placement on the next legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Lawrence seconded by Legislator Clattenburg.

A motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss two Grievance Hearings was made by Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Lawrence at 5:20 PM.

Ways and Means reconvened at 5:50 PM upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Clattenburg.

At motion to adjourn was made by Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Lawrence at 5:50 PM.

Robert Bausch, Chair
Ways & Means Committee
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