WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

Present: Legislators Clattenburg, Bausch, Stein, Dibble, Also Present: Legislators Maha, Hilchey, Deleo, Legislature Clerk Pamela LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Asst. County Manager Matt Landers, County Attorney Kevin Earl, Treasurer Scott German, HR Director Anita Cleveland, Job Development Director Teresa Van Son, Acting Mental Health Director Mark O'Brien, Chamber of Commerce President Tom Turnbull & Kelly Rapone

The Ways & Means Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Clattenburg at 4:00 pm in the Legislature Conference Room at the Old Courthouse.

Legislator Gordon Dibble was temporarily appointed to serve on the Ways & Means Committee.

A motion was made by Legislator Stein to amend the agenda to add Acting Mental Health Director Mark O'Brien-Introduction seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried.

Minutes of the June 19, 2019 Ways & Means Committee meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

Acting Mental Health Director Mark O'Brien was introduced and explained that NYS Mental Hygiene Law allows Counties to share a qualified Mental Health Director. He is currently the Orleans County Mental Health Director. He has met with some staff and plans to meet everyone in the coming week. His mission with the staff is to do a "reset" and start fresh. Other goals include increasing communication among the Community Services Board, Mental Health Director, County Legislature and County Manager; realigning sub-committees of the CBS to ensure compliance with Mental Hygiene Law, utilizing CBS sub-committees for developing the required annual plan, reinvigorating the chain of command and empowering supervisors & managers to make decisions while ensuring policy and procedure are followed. He stated the Legislature can expect a written report on a monthly basis.

Assistant County Manager Matt Landers requested a budget transfer of \$2,175 from contingency fund to allow the County to use LaBella Associates for grant writing services for the District Attorney's office. Due to sweeping changes that are part of the new Bail and Discovery laws set to take effect January 1, 2020, the DA will need additional staff to fulfill the added responsibilities. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

Mr. Landers requested a budget transfer in the amount of \$6,960 to accommodate an increase in personnel services and associated benefits for the qualified candidate expected to fill the Compliance Officer vacancy. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Job Development Director Teresa Van Son requested permission to apply for 2020-2023 Core Rehabilitation Services. This is a multi-year grant that will provide funding for services where service gaps have been identified. The funds will cover the cost of staff and facilities to provide core rehabilitative services. Motion for permission to apply made by Legislator Bausch seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously. Chamber of Commerce President Tom Turnbull explained that \$10,000 of designated "I Love NY" funding was approved to be used toward the Selfie sign the Chamber wants to erect. Cost of the design/construction documents is \$3,200 and cost of the materials, electric, base and installation is \$43,700 for a total of \$46,900, with the \$10,000 from I Love NY funds, the total requested Bed Tax reserves amount requested is \$36,900. The proposed sign is translucent, lighting is bottom-lit and the Visitors Center will be in the background. A resolution will be brought to the next Ways & Means meeting for consideration.

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

- 1. Contractual Agreement-Community Mental Health Services/Director of Community Mental Health seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.
- 2. 2019 Budget Amendment-Office for the Aging seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.
- 3. Contract-Health Department/Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Diagnosis and Treatment Services seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

The following referrals were from the Public Service Committee upon motion of Chair Stein:

- 1. Budget Amendment-Surplus-Sale of Vehicle-Emergency Management Services seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.
- 2. Genesee Livingston and Wyoming Counties-Intermunicipal Contract/GLOW Solid Waste Management Committee seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.
- 3. 2019 Budget Amendment-County Parks-Interpretive Center/Youth Bureau Grant Award seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.
- 4. Surplus Equipment Highway Facilities Management General Fund seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.
- Grant Acceptance/Establish Capital Project Airport-Design Apron Reconstruction and Obstruction Removal (AIP 42-19) 2019 Budget Amendment seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.
- 6. Intermunicipal Agreement Oatka Creek Watershed seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

County Manager Jay Gsell presented an out-of-state travel request for Legislator Gregg Torrey to Washington DC for the Northeast Regional White House Conference July 16, 2019, County cost \$369. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

Mr. Gsell presented another out of state travel request for Carla Wahls, Health Department to Newark, NJ for TB intensive workshop Sept 24-27, 2019 County cost \$28.00. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mr. Gsell discussed the need for a revenue distribution resolution for 2021 that is needed by September 1, 2019. A broader use of wording was suggested. The draft resolution will be presented at the August Ways & Means Committee meeting.

Mr. Gsell stated the tobacco age in New York State has been raised to age 21 statewide and this includes vaping and e-cigarettes and Juul devices.

The next scheduled meeting of the Ways & Means Committee is August 21, 2019.

Legislature Chair Bausch was contacted by the retired public employees association seeking a resolution recognizing 50 years of service by the organization. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Bausch seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm upon motion of Legislator Bausch seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

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