Present: Legislators Clattenburg, Stein, Bausch, Young, Also Present: Legislators Maha, Dibble, Torrey, Deleo, Legislature Clerk Pamela LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Asst. Co. Manager Matt Landers, Human Resources Director Anita Cleveland, Job Development Director Scott Gage, GCEDC President Steve Hyde, Marketing Director Jim Krenczk, Howard Owens-The Batavian, Brain Quinn-The Daily News

Ways & Means Committee Chair Clattenburg called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM in the Legislature Conference Room at the Old Courthouse. Legislator Clattenburg asked for a motion to amend the agenda to add executive session under Chair Report to have a confidential and privileged discussion with the County Attorney, motion by Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

Chair Clattenburg opened a Public Hearing on the County-wide Shared Services Plan. Mr. Warren Clark, Town of Pembroke Councilman signed in at the Public Hearing but did not share any comments on the plan.

Minutes of the September 5, 2018 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

Ways & Means Chair Clattenburg noted this is Job Development Director Scott Gage's last Ways & Means Committee meeting due to his September 28th scheduled retirement date and thanked him for his dedication and commitment to the Department and the County. Mr. Gage commented that the work has been rewarding over the years and he appreciated the good working relationship with the Committee and Legislature.

Mr. Gage explained that the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Area of GLOW are considered a multi-jurisdictional area and each elected official is required to sign the Workforce Development Board Agreement. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

Mr. Gage explained there is an unfilled seat on the GLOW Workforce Development Board representing the Labor Organization sector. Mr. Johnathan Fuzak a Market Developer with NYS Laborer's Organizing Fund is interested in being appointed. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Bausch seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

Human Resources Director Anita Cleveland explained there is a new IRS mandate that requires the County to use E-Verify, a program that electronically confirms a newly hired employee's authorization to work in the United States after completion of Form I-9, Employment Eligibility Verification. The actual agreement is between the County and Homeland Security. Ms. Cleveland confirmed the County will always verify authorization to work in the U.S. however this will be a second check. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

County Attorney Kevin Earl explained that the cost of flood insurance for the Holland Land Office Building owned by the County increased by \$2,333. The County's broker, Lawley Genesee, was contacted for quotes from other Carriers but provided no viable alternative options. Mr. Earl was requesting a budget amendment to move \$5,000 to cover the full cost of flood insurance for the building. It was suggested that the matter be further discussed at budget time. The measure was *not* recommended for placement on the Legislature Agenda, Legislator Clattenburg, yes Legislators Bausch, Stein, Young, no.

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

- 1. Grant Acceptance/Budget Amendment/Sheriff Police Traffic Services Program seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.
- 2. Budget Amendment/Sheriff Body Armor seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.
- 3. Budget Transfer/Sheriff Vehicle Fuel, Vehicle Maintenance And Repair seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.
- 4. Amend Resolution No. 215-2018 MOU Approvals / Budget Amendment / Salary Schedule Amendment Revised For School Resource Officers–Sheriff seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.
- 5. Appointment-Sheriff/Traffic Safety Board seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.
- 6. Doyle Security Service Agreement Justice For Children Advocacy Center seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.
- 7. 2018 Budget Amendment Justice For Children Advocacy Center seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.
- 8. Amend Capital Project/Budget Amendment Reconstruct Taxiway 'C' (Design Airport seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.
- 9. Amend Capital Project/Budget Amendment–Large Span Culverts–Highway seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.
- 10. Establish Capital Project/Budget Amendment Airport Reconstruct Taxiway 'C' (AIP 41-18) seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.
- 11. Surplus Equipment-Highway-Road Machinery Fund seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

Genesee County Economic Development Center President Steve Hyde shared an update of the tax base analysis after introducing new marketing director Jim Krenczk. Mr. Hyde described the five key areas of their development model; shovel-ready site development, innovations, workforce development, placemaking and financial assistance. One of their goals is to increase tax base growth through expansion, new construction and renovation projects while the private sector controls capital investment and jobs. Since 2004 there have been 2.38 million new square feet and 1.28 million of renovated square feet in Genesee County. Currently, there are 71 projects engaged in a PILOT. He reported in 2017, completed PILOT projects paid property taxes of \$2.76 million and current PILOT projects paid \$2.08 million. Upon completion of all PILOTS issued between 2006 and 2017, \$2.04 million will go toward the County tax levy in total. He reported that for every dollar the County invests into the GCEDC operations the agency returns a \$25 tax benefit. One of their challenges is limited operations funding. There is a misconception that the GCEDC has a lot of discretionary funds however the grant money awarded must be used for specific purposes. Funding from Genesee County is down 33 percent. Legislator Stein commented the information presented is very useful and suggested sharing with the Towns and Villages. Mr. Hyde indicated it would take them some time to compile data at the town and village level but when ready he will get the information out. New local elected officials often do not have a full understanding of the benefits and impact of PILOTS and services of the GCEDC.

County Manager Jay Gsell provided an update on the MEGA gas and electric bid process. Bids have been received and opened and the MEGA board members are reviewing and have a recommendation. Purchasing director Eve Hens requested the bid tab to review before any bids are formally awarded.

The next meeting of the Ways & Means Committee is scheduled for October 3, 2018 and a budget conference session is scheduled to follow. Legislature Clerk Pamela LaGrou reported that all Financial Disclosure Statements have been received for 2018 and the Ethics Board Chair has been notified.

Ways & Means Chair Clattenburg closed the Shared Services Public Hearing at 5:19 pm. At 5:19 pm the committee adjourned to executive session for a privileged and confidential discussion with the county attorney upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Bausch, carried unanimously.

The Ways & Means Committee meeting reconvened at 6:00pm upon motion of Legislator Bausch seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm upon motion of Legislator Bausch seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

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