PUBLIC SERVICE COMMITTEE

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Present: Legislators Stein, Hilchey, Maha, Torrey, Also Present: Legislators Bausch, Dibble, Legislature Clerk LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Asst. County Manager Matt Landers, Sheriff William Sheron, EMS Coordinator Tim Yaeger, Parks & Forestry Supervisor Paul Osborn, JCAC Coordinator Theresa Asmus-Roth, County Attorney Kevin Earl, Howard Owens-The Batavian, Brian Quinn-The Daily News

Public Service Committee Chair Stein called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM in the Legislature Conference Room of the Old Courthouse.

Legislator Dibble was temporarily appointed to the Public Service Committee to serve until Committee Member Torrey arrived at 4:35pm.

The minutes of the November 19, 2018 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

EMS Coordinator Tim Yaeger presented a request to accept grant funding in the amount of \$27,311 from the US Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services and Federal Emergency Management Agency. The grant is administered by New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services on behalf of FEMA. Funds are used toward salaries. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Justice for Children Advocacy Center Coordinator Theresa Asmus-Roth requested approval of a new contractual agreement with mental health clinical therapist Amanda Czworka for services provided at the Batavia and Warsaw satellite locations at a rate of \$35.00 per hour. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

County Park Supervisor Paul Osborn explained that DEC contacted the County and is planning a site visit that may include groundwater samples of wells located on county property. The Clean Water Infrastructure Act of 2017 authorizes the DEC to conduct the site visit. DEC is requesting the County permit staff to access property located on Cedar Street (Dewitt Park) for the planned sampling and well monitoring. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mr. Osborn stated a special events application was received from the National Multiple Sclerosis Society to use the Genesee County Park & Forest for an MS Walk fundraiser on May 19, 2019. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

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Mr. Osborn shared a review of the Johnson's Controls update as provided previously by Highway Superintendent Tim Hens. He explained that they are working out some issues and trying to have items added to the contract. Lighting has been replaced in the Sheriff's building. They are looking at an alternative to replacing the heat pump in the Old Courthouse and find the reports to be helpful to department employees who are responsible for facilities management.

Sheriff Sheron presented a budget amendment allowing for the purchase of riffles for the three new vehicles used by School Resource Officers. Scrap brass collected from the range was sold and approximately \$9,300 is available. The riffles will be purchased following the legislature meeting next week. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

The Clerk reported the next scheduled meeting of the Public Service Committee is January 14, 2019.

Soil & Water Conservation District Director Ted Konieczka's term is expiring and he is interested in reappointment. The three-year term runs from January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2021. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Jail Committee Chair Matt Landers stated committee members interviewed two architect firms for the Jail project and subsequently conducted a review of scores and notes taken by committee members. Additional questions will be asked of the two finalists with a goal of making a recommendation to Public Service and the Legislature in January 2019. It was reported that both firms scored well.

County Manager Jay Gsell provided a brief update on Water by stating the County and City are finalizing negotiations on the three agreements; Water Supply, Operation and Maintenance and Facilities Lease agreement. They are expected to be included on the City Council agenda on December 10, 2018 and will be discussed by the County on December 5 Ways & Means and December 12, 2018 Legislature meeting.

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The meeting adjourned at 4:47 PM upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

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Rochelle M. Stein, Chair Public Service Committee Submitted 12-5-18 phl