

Present: Legislators Clattenburg, Stein, Hilchey, Maha, Also Present: Legislators Deleo, Dibble, Yunker, Torrey, Legislature Clerk Pamela LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Asst. County Manager Matt Landers, County Attorney Kevin Earl, HR Director Anita Cleveland, Deputy County Attorney Paula Campbell, Confidential Secretary Cindy Palmer, Lawley Representatives Suzie Ott and Bill Fritts, Chamber representatives Tom Turnbull & Kelly Rapone, Howard Owens-The Batavian

The Ways & Means Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Clattenburg at 4:30 pm in the Legislature Conference Room at the Old Courthouse. Legislator Maha was temporarily appointed to the Committee to serve in place of Legislator Young.

Minutes of the January 15, 2020 Ways & Means Committee meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

HR Director Anita Cleveland explained that the NYS Department of Labor released an amendment for the model sexual harassment policy for all employers in New York State and she is recommending adoption of an amendment to the Genesee County Sexual Harassment policy to reflect these changes. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

STOP-DWI Coordinator Matt Landers stated the term of office has expired for Frank Ciaccia, citizen member of the STOP-DWI Advisory Board and he has indicated a desire and ability to continue service effective immediately through December 31, 2022. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

Mr. Landers explained that to meet the requirements of the American's With Disability Act, Genesee County must appoint a Coordinator to assure compliance with the law. Mr. Landers was appointed however, it is recommended the Compliance Officer, Tammi Ferringer be appointed to the role of ADA Coordinator. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

County Attorney Kevin Earl requested approval of a budget transfer. It was explained that a portion of the deputy county attorney's salary and benefits is charged to DSS and a portion is charged to the county attorney department. The new deputy is now serving full-time whereas the previous deputy was a 30hr/wk position. The transfer is from personnel services to fringe benefits in the amount of \$10,855. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Earl explained the county contracted with Lawley Genesee for broker/risk management services and the contract is up for renewal. He is recommending another contract with Lawley Genesee through February 28, 2021 at a cost of \$22,000. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Earl stated the Genesee County Bar Association submitted a request to host the Mock Trial program at the Court Facility March 2, 4 and 11, 2020. This is an annual event with participation from multiple school districts. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Earl stated his office prepared and submitted the 2020-2021 insurance renewal application to Lawley Genesee and New York Municipal Insurance Reciprocal (NYMIR) had the most competitive pricing. He explained that a 4% pricing increase on property rates is reflected in the premium, property values were underinsured, 45 vehicles were added that were not previously listed and healthcare professional liability experienced a 24% increase. He is recommending the renewal with NYMIR and that the Excess Liability Coverage be increased to \$5MM/\$10MM for a total premium of \$254,292. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

The following referrals were from the Human Services Committee upon motion of Legislator Maha:

1. Appointment-Office for the Aging Advisory Council seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.
2. Service Agreement/Certificate of Insurance-OFA/WNY Integrated Care Collaborative, Inc. seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.
3. 2020 Budget Amendment-OFA seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.
4. 2020 Budget Amendment/Salary Schedule Amendment-Mental Health seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.
5. Budget Amendment 2019-Mental Health Services/WNY Heroes seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.
6. 2020 Budget Amendment/Contract Renewal-Mental Health/WNY Heroes, Inc. seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

Chamber of Commerce President Tom Turnbull and Tourism Director Kelly Rapone reviewed activities and results of the 2019 Tourism Program. Chinese tourists are down and will continue to trend that way which has impacted hoteliers and bed tax collections. The tourism budget was \$588,080 in 2019. The 2020 budget is \$595,333. They utilize Co-Op advertising to extend their reach; this past year the Chamber spent \$25,000. There were golf packages quoted and many walk-ins to the visitor center.

Mr. Gsell presented a resolution designating the Genesee County Chamber of Commerce as the official tourism agency for Genesee County. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Maha carried unanimously.

Mr. Gsell recommended approval of an agreement with the Chamber of Commerce for the calendar year 2020 using the County's hotel and motel tax up to an amount of \$420,000 for publicity and tourism services. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

Mr. Gsell recommended approval of a budget amendment to use 1% sales tax to pay for building security upgrades-phase 2 in the amount of \$56,385. He further explained a capital project would need to be established. The County's previous safety consultant made the safety upgrade recommendations. There will likely be future requests for safety upgrades based on continual safety assessments. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Gsell presented an Out-of-State Travel Request for Sgt. Thomas Sanfratello, Sheriff's Department to travel to Orlando, FL for Tyler Connects Conference and Advisory Board Meetings 4/26-5/1/2020 County cost \$3,196. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Hilchey carried unanimously.

Mr. Gsell presented an Out-of-state travel request for Coroner Jeff McIntire, Public Health to travel to Troy, MI for 5<sup>th</sup> Annual North American Active Assailant Conference 5/26-5/30/20 County cost \$900. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

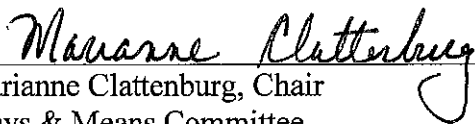
Mr. Gsell presented an Out-of-state travel request for EMS Deputy Coordinator Bill Schutt to Phoenix, AZ to present at FutureView 2020 3/10-3/11/20 County cost \$102. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

Mr. Gsell stated that NYSAC is hosting a County Advocacy Day in Albany on February 12, 2020 and indicated he plans to attend. Legislators were invited to join him. There is a Legislature meeting that day.

Legislature Clerk Pamela LaGrou presented a resolution listing additional positions and boards required to complete the financial disclosure statement. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Hilchey carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the Ways & Means Committee is Wednesday, February 19, 2019.

The meeting adjourned at 5:27 pm upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

  
Marianne Clattenburg, Chair  
Ways & Means Committee  
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