

Present: Committee Legislators Clattenburg and Yunker. Legislators Dibble, Deleo, Hawley and Torrey. County Manager Matt Landers, County Attorney Mark Boylan, Clerk of the Legislature Lisa Casey, Highway Superintendent Tim Hens, Assistant Highway County Engineer Laura Wadhams, Undersheriff Brad Mazur, Director of Emergency Communications Frank Riccobono, Emergency Management Coordinator Tim Yaeger, GLOW Solid Waste Management Recycling Administrator Amanda Lee and Soil and Water Conservation District Senior Field Manager Jared Elliott. Brian Quinn with the Daily News and Joanne Beck with the Batavian attended.

The meeting was opened on March 18, 2024 at 4:30 p.m. Meeting location was at 7 Main Street, Old Court House in Batavia, New York. In the Legislative Conference Room.

Legislator Clattenburg was appointed to act as chair in Legislator Maha's absence. Legislator Dibble and Legislator Deleo were appointed to step in for Legislator Klotzbach and Legislator Clattenburg at the meeting, approved unanimously by committee Legislators.

Legislator Clattenburg amended the agenda to add Assistant County Engineer Laura Wadhams to present the Jail Update and to add Contract-Genesee County Soil and Water Conservation Distract under the County Manager. Legislator Dibble motioned to approve the amended agenda seconded by Legislator Deleo.

Minutes of the February 20, 2024 Public Service Committee meeting were approved by Chair.

Assistant County Engineer Laura Wadhams present a Jail Construction Update.

- 3/25 keys to staff and furniture in
- Genesee Justice moving in April
- Dedication in May
- 911 backup Center Pike staff still around
- Ready date early summer

*Legislator Clattenburg stated nice job.

Undersheriff Brad Mazur reported three additional radio consoles are needed to outfit workstations added to the 911 Dispatch Center. Undersheriff Mazur requested authorization to amend the 2024 budget by increasing Communications 2024 appropriations as follows: \$180,000 to Contractual Other SICG and to be offset by increasing the following revenue account: \$180,000 to State Aid – SICG. This was referred to Ways & Means Committee with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Undersheriff Brad Mazur presented an agreement renewal for forensic laboratory services with Monroe County that expired December 31, 2023. Undersheriff Mazur recommended that Legislature approve the agreement between the County of Genesee and the County of Monroe for forensic laboratory services for the period of January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, at a cost of \$173,496. This was referred to Ways & Means Committee with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

Undersheriff Brad Mazur reported that the Genesee County Sheriff's Office old transport van's condition has severely deteriorated. Undersheriff Mazur recommended that Legislature declare the 2005 Ford Econoline 12-passenger transport van as surplus property to be disposed of through the auction process and that the proceeds from the sale of this vehicle will be turned over to the County Treasurer. This was referred to Ways & Means Committee with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Undersheriff Brad Mazur reported the Genesee County Sheriff's Office wishes to purchase a Noise Flash Diversionary Device (NFDD) delivery system to be used by the joint City of Batavia/ Genesee County Emergency Response Team (ERT). Undersheriff Mazur requested authorization to make the following budget amendment: \$2,570 to Sheriff's Account Equipment and offset by increasing Sheriff's Revenue Account Forfeiture of Crime Proceeds by \$2,570, with funds to come from State Restricted Fund. This was referred to Ways & Means Committee with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

County Manager Matt Landers reported a vacancy does exist on the Genesee County Planning Board due to the resignation of Candace Hensel of the Town of Byron. County Manager Landers recommended the Legislature appoint Mr. Joshua D. Kent of Byron, NY to the Genesee County Planning Board for a term effective immediately and through May 31, 2027. This was referred to Ways & Means Committee with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

GLOW Solid Waste Management Recycling Administrator Amanda Lee requested a budget transfer to address a deficit in the budget for reimbursement of Ms. Peggy Grayson's Medicare expenses. Ms. Lee requested authorization to make the following 2024 budget transfer: \$300.00 from Contingency and \$300.00 to Medical. This was referred to Ways & Means Committee with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

Highway Superintendent Tim Hens reported Genesee County has been awarded a grant from the Federal Aviation Administration for the design of the replacement of the lighting and signage along taxiways C and E at the County Airport. Mr. Hens recommended the Legislature approve a supplemental consultant agreement with C&S Engineers, 499 Col. Eileen Collins Blvd, Syracuse, NY 13212 for the design of the replacement of the lighting and signage along taxiways C and E at the County Airport at cost not to exceed \$85,000. This was referred to Ways & Means Committee with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Highway Superintendent Tim Hens reported Genesee County has been awarded a grant from the Federal Aviation Administration for the construction administration and inspection of the replacement of the runway 10/28 lighting and signage at the County Airport. Mr. Hens recommended the Legislature approve a supplemental consultant agreement with C&S Engineers, 499 Col. Eileen Collins Blvd, Syracuse, NY 13212 for the construction administration and inspection of the replacement of the runway 10/28 lighting and signage at the County Airport at

cost not to exceed \$215,000. This was referred to Ways & Means Committee with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Highway Superintendent Tim Hens reported the Association for Conservation of Outdoor Recreation and Natural Spaces (ACORNS), a non-profit group which supports programming and activities at Genesee County Parks, wishes to donate funds to Genesee County in order to support a Student Conservation Association internship. Mr. Hens recommended that Legislature accept the \$7,476 grant from the ACORNS to be used to cover the costs of the Student Conservation Association Internship. This was referred to Ways & Means Committee with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

Highway Superintendent Tim Hens reported the term of office for one member of the Genesee County Parks, Recreation and Forestry Advisory Committee will expire on March 31, 2024 and he has expressed an interest and desire to serve another 3-year term. Mr. Hens recommended that Legislature reappoint the following to serve another term on the Genesee County Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Advisory Committee effective April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2027: George Squires from the Town of Byron, District #2. This was referred to Ways & Means Committee with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Highway Superintendent Tim Hens awarded bids to vendors piggybacking off the Onondaga County bid and the vendors misquoted the specified equipment and longer wish to honor the Onondaga County contract. Mr. Hens recommended the Genesee County Legislature does hereby rescind Resolution #33 of 2024. This was referred to Ways & Means Committee with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Highway Superintendent Tim Hens reviewed available county bids on dump trucks for use at the County Highway Department and Cattaraugus County Bid Award #51-2023 provides for the piggyback purchase of dump trucks. Mr. Hens recommended that Legislature approve to purchase a new and unused 2025 Western Star 47x Dump Truck from Fleet Maintenance, Inc. 67 Ransier Dr. West Seneca, NY 14224 in an amount not to exceed \$347,659 per Cattaraugus County Bid #51-2023 bid specifications. This was referred to Ways & Means Committee with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Soil and Water Conservation District Senior Field Manager Jared Elliott presented an annual report where he discussed there are five full-time staff members. Funding is predominately driven by grants that have been successful. Staff is crossed-trained in grant writing and it takes 3-5 years to be fully trained in grant writing. Mr. Elliott has been with the agency for nine years.

County Manager Matt Landers authorized additional work with Pike Construction Services, as part of the Genesee County Jail project. County Manager Landers requested authorization for a change order to Pike Construction Services in the amount of \$59,725.00 for costs related to the construction

oversight for installing the backup 911 Center in the planned shell space in the Genesee County Jail. This was referred to Ways & Means Committee with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

County Manager Matt Landers requested an amendment in the 2024 Management Salary Schedule in accordance with the New York State Commission on Legislative, Judicial and Executive Compensation recommendations. New York State Supreme Court Justices are receiving a COLA increase on April 1, 2024, requiring Genesee County to increase the full time District Attorney's salary in accordance with NYS Judiciary Law 183-a. County Manager Landers requested authorization to amend the 2024 Genesee County Management Salary Schedule by increasing the District Attorney's annual salary from \$200,355 to \$220,970, effective April 1, 2024. This was referred to Ways & Means Committee with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

County Manager Matt Landers proposed a contract for 2024 between the County of Genesee and the Genesee County Soil and Water Conservation District. County Manger Landers recommended that Legislature renew a contract with the Genesee County Soil and Water Conservation District for a period beginning January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024. County Manager Landers recommended the sum of \$151,891 in regular funding and \$21,960 in additional funding to support an additional staff position for a total of \$173,851, shall be paid in regular installments, pursuant to the Agreement. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Deleo, carried unanimously.

Emergency Management Coordinator Tim Yaeger led a discussion regarding the update and progress on action items from MRI study. Working on standardizing guidelines. Standards are increasing more than ever. Qualifications increasing for Firefighters. OSHA Law being updated, proposing 22 new standards to be adopted which 14 of them to be included in legislation. Vetted 95 high priorities with 5 items being reviewed. Discussion to improve communications between fire services and elected officials. Mr. Yaeger provided update on the Stafford, E. Pembroke, LeRoy services. A monthly update provided to EMS on status.

Clerk of the Legislature Lisa Casey announced the next Public Service Committee Meeting will be on Monday, April 15, 2024.

Chair Report:

Legislator Clattenburg presented a resolution: Throughout the state, counties are contending with a shortage of Emergency Medical Services (EMS) personnel in their communities. Regardless of location, the counties are contending with this issue and the shortage of available personnel. EMS providers across the state are in crisis due to rising costs and high demand for increasingly complex services. Local governments' efforts to collaborate on joint EMS services across municipal and county boundaries are hindered by the current law, which prohibits counties and local municipalities from creating joint taxing districts for EMS services. Genesee County propels for a change in the current law by allowing for joint taxing districts, property tax exemptions, EMS Medicaid reimbursements, income and property tax credit, increase of tax income credit and patient transport on the Thruway for EMS

services. Genesee County Legislature is in full support of the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) “Rescuing Local Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Package”. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Deleo seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Legislator Clattenburg announced adjournment of the Public Service Committee meeting at 5:23 p.m.