

Present: Legislators Stein, Hilchey, Maha, Torrey, Also Present: Legislators Deleo, Bausch, Young, Clattenburg, Legislature Clerk LaGrou, Asst. County Manager Matt Landers, County Manager Jay Gsell, Sheriff Bill Sheron, Highway Superintendent Tim Hens, County Attorney Kevin Earl, EMS Coordinator Tim Yaeger, Genesee Justice Coordinator Cathy Uhly, JCAC Coordinator Theresa Asmus-Roth, Public Defender Jerry Ader, County Clerk Mike Cianfrini, Purchasing Director Eve Hens, Johnson Controls Representatives, Soil & Water staff Molly Cassatt, Laura Bestehorn, Jared Elliott, Brian Quinn-Daily News, Howard Owens-The Batavian

Public Service Chair Stein called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM in the Legislature Conference Room. The minutes of the February 20, 2018 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Chair Stein stated the agenda was being amended to remove item #4 (Designate County Water Plan) under Highway Superintendent Tim Hens. The matter will be taken up by the Committee on April 2, 2018 after the Human Services Committee meeting.

EMS Coordinator Tim Yaeger requested permission to apply for a HazMat grant 2017. Genesee County, Monroe, Orleans, Wyoming and Livingston and the City of Rochester have applied for and be awarded a HazMat grant the past five years. This year the amount is \$196,000 for the above listed partners. A motion was made by Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey for permission to apply carried unanimously.

Sheriff Sheron explained that Verizon Wireless informed the County of their intent to terminate the lease with the County for space on our Telecommunications tower on Cedar Street, Batavia. Date of lease termination is September 30, 2017. The Sheriff did not include income from rent in his 2018 budget. This was approved for placement on the Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Sheriff Sheron next described how the NYS Sheriff's Association is calling on NYS to provide funding for an armed school resource officer in every elementary and secondary school in the state and want funding included in the 2018 budget. There are approximately 22,000 schools statewide. The cost of a 10-month SRO is \$93,000 and that does not include a vehicle. NYSAC suggests \$100,000 as a reasonable figure. Chair Stein reported there was discussion at Inter County Association meeting and representatives agreed that Counties cannot fund an SRO in every school or district. Legislator Hilchey commented that school districts spill over into other counties. Funding an SRO should be the obligation of the school district and not the county even though county support is apparent. The sample support resolution calls for the Governor to include SRO funding for every school district in the 2018 budget. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

JCAC Coordinator Theresa Asmus-Roth explained that Planned Parenthood of Central and Western New York notified them they are the recipient of \$1,500 due to their membership in the multidisciplinary team that works with and responds to sexual abuse. This was referred to Ways and Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Genesee Justice Coordinator Cathy Uhly explained they have received notification of a grant award in the amount of \$41,876 from NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services. This is an annual grant which is used to support salaries, fringes and program expenses for Community Service and Release under Supervision programs. The amount for 2018 has been included in their budget. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

Public Defender Jerry Ader stated that one part-time legal clerk typist is retiring. He has a second part-time clerk as well. He is requesting the two part-time positions be combined into one full-time position. The salary schedule amendment will result in an expense of \$2,365 for the remainder of 2018 and will be offset by a transfer of funds from the Contracted Other budget line. Also, a NYS indigent Legal Services Grant will cover half of the annual retirement expenses. This is a civil service testable position. This was referred to Ways and Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Highway Superintendent Tim Hens explained the request for a contract with Johnson Controls to finance and implement energy savings capital projects throughout County facilities. The County had Johnson Controls complete an energy audit in the fall of 2017. An average of \$210,000 is the expected annual energy savings for the next 20 years. The savings will be used to offset the annual project financing. The upgrades and energy savings measures will be done in one project and the County's bond rating will not be affected by entering into this contract. Savings are guaranteed and rebates are included. Legislator Clattenburg inquired about available grants, Mr. Hens stated a NYSERDA grant is included. Mr. Hens stated that there is much detail included in the contract and the county attorney has not completed his review. The resolution presented will be amended to state upon county attorney review and approval. The amended resolution was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Prior to the *Award of Bids-Highway Construction Materials* agenda item Legislator Hilchey stated his employer has submitted a bid therefore he recused himself and left the meeting room. Mr. Hens explained that annually he presents a resolution that allows the

highway superintendent to purchase construction and maintenance materials through the year. Bids are awarded based on best-value for the County. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

Next Mr. Hens explained his recommendation to reject the bid for the reconstruction of Pavilion D at the County Park and Forest. Only one bid was received and it exceeded the budgeted amount. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Soil & Water employees introduced themselves; District Director Molly Cassatt, Office Manager Laura Bestehorn and Field Technician Jared Elliot. Ms. Cassatt reviewed the highlights of the department review including the extensive list of open grant projects. Soil & Water is working with 29 farms eleven of which are new. They met their performance measures again this past year which provides leverage for securing State dollars. Future concerns include milk prices dropping. Dairy farmers may see a decrease in income which could result in dropping out of their Soil & water project. When that occurs, the State does not reimburse and that funding is lost. Ms. Cassatt reported that the District is working to explore avenues to bring in money for culvert replacement. If culverts have been assessed and rated they earn more points. Soil & Water purchased a hydroseeder with the help of the County. The equipment is used at project sites where soil and grass has been displaced or disrupted. Public Service Chair Stein commented on her attendance at the 2018 Water Quality Symposium and that Bob Berkemeier was recognized for 50 years of service.

Chair Stein and Ms. Cassatt explained that the intermunicipal agreement regarding water quality in the watershed of Black Creek with Monroe, Orleans and Wyoming County is in need of renewal. The agreement is for 5 years and will end December 31, 2023. The resolution also appoints Ms. Cassatt to serve as the representative on the Black Creek Watershed Coalition with her term ending December 31, 2023. This was referred to Ways and Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

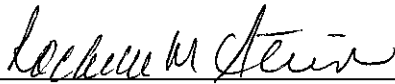
County Manager Jay Gsell described the required salary schedule amendment and budget transfer for the District Attorney due to a mandated salary increase. Effective April 1, 2018, the DA's salary will increase from \$185,200 to \$197,600 due to Judiciary Law 183-a. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

The Clerk reported the next scheduled meeting of Public Service is April 16, 2018 however a Public Service Committee Meeting will be scheduled for April 2, 2018 immediately following Human Services.

At 5:43 pm, Legislator Maha made a Motion to adjourn to executive session to discuss County Building Security seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

The Public Service Committee reconvened at 6:08 pm upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:08 PM upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.



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Rochelle M. Stein, Chair  
Public Service Committee  
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