

Present: Committee Members Hilchey, Clattenburg, Dibble, Yunker, also present Legislators Stein, Young, Deleo, Maha, Torrey Legislature Clerk Pamela LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Assistant County Manager Matt Landers, Highway Superintendent Tim Hens, IT Director Steve Zimmer

Because of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic and the State and Federal bans on large meetings or gatherings and pursuant to Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 202.1 issued March 12, 2020 suspending the Open Meeting Law, the Genesee County Ways & Means Committee meeting was held electronically using ZOOM video conference instead of a public meeting open for the public to attend in person. The meeting was also Live Streamed on YouTube.

The Public Service Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Hilchey at 4:32 PM.

Minutes of the March 16, 2020 Public Service Committee meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

Justice For Children Advocacy Center Coordinator Theresa Asmus-Roth requested approval of a contract renewal with H2H Facility Services for cleaning at the Batavia, Albion and Warsaw locations at a monthly cost of \$505.82. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

Emergency Management Services requested permission to apply for a Homeland Security Grant in the amount of \$109,782. County Manager Jay Gsell explained the grant requires a coordinated effort with law enforcement who receives 25% of the total to be used for terrorism prevention activities. IT director Steve Zimmer indicated there is a cyber security component this year. A motion was made to approve the application for grant funds by Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Highway Superintendent Tim Hens requested approval of a bid renewal with Seneca Pavement Markings. A 5% increase in cost was negotiated. Pavement markings included are centerline, edge line white, railroad, hazard, stop bar, yield bar, and others which are charged at a different rate. Mr. Hens stated he includes \$165,000 in the County Road Fund for the year. Legislator Clattenburg made a motion to amend the resolution to add a not to exceed amount of \$165,000 to the resolved of the resolution seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens explained that pavement markings vary in terms of how long they last. One factor is the harshness of the weather. He also stated the product has changed to be more environmentally safe. Towns have the opportunity to piggyback on the county bid but they pay the contractor directly.

Mr. Hens presented a resolution to reject bids for a hydraulic excavator due to the current fiscal climate. He stated they planned for a lease purchase of the excavator with \$75,000 per year for five years. It was put out for bid but at this time he is confident the department can get another

several years use out of the one the county currently owns. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens explained the request for approval of a bid award for the airport storage building. Five bids were received for the pole barn with the lowest bidder, Thompson Builds coming in at \$109,747. The next lowest bidder was \$30,000 more than Thompson Builds. County highway will pour the concrete floor and wiring. This structure will be built to accommodate fuel trucks and other equipment. When the fuel trucks are sheltered the fuel lines won't freeze. When the fuel lines freeze we are unable to sell fuel. This capital project was approved for 2020 with a budget of \$125,000 funded by 1% sales tax. The new pole barn will be able to fit mowing equipment and the county owned grader. Mr. Hens has modified his capital projects for 2020 resulting in \$650,000 in projects that will not be completed. The bid is very competitive and a pole barn will provide shelter of expensive highway and airport equipment which extends the life of that equipment. Mr. Hens reported that Thompson Builds is willing to hold their bid price up to 60 days. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried, Legislator Dibble, no.

Mr. Hens explained his request to establish two capital projects. He explained this request was modified significantly to include only two critical projects; highway fire alarm system and fire alarm control panel at 5130 East Main (DSS/MH). Both of these fire alarm systems are not active or working. Both projects were included in the county capital plan and have a total cost of \$112,161 funded from 1% sales tax. He stated that when the Johnson controls project is closed out we may have \$88,000 that could be used toward this capital project. He indicated he will bring it forward when ready. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens explained his recommendation to close two capital projects in light of the current fiscal situation. There are two projects with a balance of \$180,055 with the source of funds as 1% sales tax; the all season pavilion and the park and forest boardwalk. Legislator Clattenburg made a motion to amend the resolution to remove language referencing these projects "as included in the 2020 Capital Plan" seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

County Manager Jay Gsell reported that National Grid is mobilized and prepared to handle outages from the predicted high winds expected for this evening and overnight. He also commented on the ongoing work involved with COVID-19; the daily briefing from the health department, shortage of test kits and long hours of health department personnel for contact tracing.

The next meeting of the Public Service Committee is May 18, 2020.

The meeting adjourned at 5:13 PM upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Approved 5/18/20 Temporary Chair Marianne Clattenburg

John Hilchey, Chair
Public Service Committee
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