

Present: Legislators Stein, Hilchey, Maha, Torrey, Also Present: Legislators Bausch, Young, Deleo, Legislature Clerk LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, County Attorney Kevin Earl, Highway Superintendent Tim Hens, Sheriff William Sheron, Under Sheriff Greg Walker, Emergency Communications Director Steve Sharpe, Jail Superintendent Bill Zipfel, Chief of Road Patrol Joe Graff, Genesee Justice Coordinator Cathy Uhly, JCAC Coordinator Theresa Asmus-Roth, Human Resources Director Anita Cleveland, Public Defender Jerry Ader, EMS Deputy Bill Schutt

Public Service Committee Chair Stein called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM in the Legislature Conference Room. The agenda was amended to add a supporting resolution regarding 911 funding to counties to properly maintain existing systems upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

The minutes of the April 30, 2018 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Sheriff Sheron reviewed his annual department report and commented on how they are down deputies and several corrections officers. Two deputies are in field training, one just finished. They interviewed 8 for corrections positions and when they are fully staffed there, corrections officers will do the transports. Burglaries are up and the drug task force had a busy year including the volume of overdose deaths. The State wants to meet with the Legislature regarding the jail study. Jail Bureau has five new hires but is still short staffed. Work Details are going well and will increase when there is enough staff to support it. Average daily population is 82 and typically rises in the summer months. Mr. Zipfel commented that meal costs are decreasing due to changes in what food and beverage is served to prisoners. Doughnuts and coffee have been eliminated and foods that were purchased as individual servings are now purchased in bulk and prisoners are given a serving. Emergency communications received more PSAP money this year due to one of the counties not applying. Mr. Sharpe stated they are looking at building a tower in Bethany. Mr. Sheron reported the Civil Bureau work is steady and the crisis team has received specialized training for situations where mental health issues are a factor. Genesee Justice got an increase in state funding which has allowed them to hire more staff. Release Under Supervision (RUS) numbers are up a little and there have been more bail evaluations. The Justice for Children Advocacy Center saw 286 children throughout the GLOW region. Satellite offices in Warsaw and Albion are operational and children are receiving services. In 2017, \$100,000 was received in new grant money. This funding was earmarked for satellite operations. Additionally, new funding was secured for forensic interviewers. The JCAC is seeking a permanent location in Batavia and is working with the Church and Foundation. The Sheriff identified there has been an increase in Animal Control calls for dogs and the building is 17 years old and requiring attention. Lastly, he reported that he is hopeful the HVAC work and moving the firing range will be put on a fast track this year.

Sheriff Sheron explained his department was provided grant money in the amount of \$2,900 to implement the Child Passenger Safety program. This funding was not anticipated or included in his budget therefore a budget amendment is required. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Sheron explained the request for approval of an agreement renewal with Darien Lake for additional law enforcement services for the 2018 concert season. Terms and conditions remain the same and \$162,365 has been appropriated to be offset by revenue billed back to Darien Lake. Mr. Sheron stated that retirees often work these details and seasonal deputies also cover the shifts. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey carried unanimously.

Mr. Sheron requested support for the agreement renewal with Justice Benefits for the provision of professional assistance with revenue enhancement services. This contract has resulted in savings and an increase in Jail revenue. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Sheron explained that two bids were received for inmate communication services at the County Jail. Demonstrations were provided by both vendors and a committee of the Sheriff, County Manager and Jail Superintendent determined that Securus Technologies provided the best combination of competitive pricing and services. Mr. Sheron clarified that 80% commissions will be paid to the County on inmate telephone calls not 70% which is in the draft resolution. Upon motion of Legislator Hilchey the amount was changed to 80% seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Lastly, Sheriff Sheron explained a supporting resolution that other counties have passed and sent onto Governor Cuomo. The resolution calls on the Governor and the Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to set aside sufficient 9-1-1 funding to counties in order to properly maintain existing systems. It was reported that the State is diverting 43% of funds and holding collected funds. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

EMS Deputy Coordinator Bill Schutt explained that EMS Services annually inspect all county fire extinguishers however maintenance and replacement of parts is also required therefore he is requesting approval of a contract renewal with Dival Safety Equipment.

This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Public Defender Jerry Ader referenced highlights of his written department review. The state grant secured for Counsel at First Appearance for over \$400,000 has not been implemented yet. The State has not sent the contract which is holding up the County with implementing the program. Mr. Ader reported there is an upcoming Raise the Age meeting in NYC where he expects to learn more about funding, what will be funded and at what rate. The NYS Office of Indigent Legal Services provided the Governor's office with a plan to fully implement Hurrell-Harring reforms statewide. Mr. Ader stated he has a meeting to learn specifically how the state plan will impact Genesee County and what assistance will be available with implementing the reforms. Mr. Ader stated he would like to have all Public Defender staff located in the Court Facility instead of having some housed at the Engine House and some in the Court Facility.

Highway Superintendent Tim Hens explained that the Genesee County sign shop makes signs for Orleans County and they have requested a vendor agreement. The county attorney has reviewed the intermunicipal agreement which covers signage services. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens requested bids be awarded for highway pavement markings. All received bids were reviewed and he is recommending contracts with Seneca Pavement Markings, Accent Stripe and O & H Striping. The County Road Fund includes \$145,000 for highway pavement markings. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens explained that for the Highway and Facility Maintenance Departments to make the best use of Dude Solutions, an online work order and asset management system, he is recommending a contract for a Facility Condition Assessment. Cost of this contract with Dude Solutions is \$45,042. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

The next resolution presented by Mr. Hens closes and establishes capital projects and transfers existing balances for CHIPS, PAVE-NY and EWR funded capital projects. Projects being closed include three road projects, as well as Highway overlay, recycling, surface treatment and road machinery projects. Remaining unused funds from these projects will be transferred to be used toward new needed projects. The total available for capital projects in 2018 is \$2,866,620.51. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens stated that four bids were received for a tandem smooth Drum Vibrating compactor. The County needs to replace the current machine and he is recommending accepting the bid for \$175,823 from Monroe Tractor. The compactor will be purchased using CHIPS capital funds from NYS. Mr. Hens commented that the work a good compactor does is crucial to achieving longer pavement life. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens requested approval of a bid received from Bentley Brothers for a M6-131DTC Tractor and 20 foot rotary mower, 6 foot flail mower and rotary boom mower attachment. The bid came in under the budgeted amount of \$130,000. Bentley Brothers bid amount \$128,779.56. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

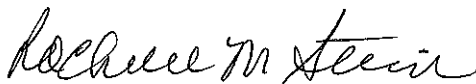
The Clerk reported the next scheduled meeting of the Public Service Committee is June 18, 2018.

Chair Stein stated that the Highway Superintendent's term of office will expire May 25th. Mr. Hens submitted a letter requesting reappointment to another four-year term. The new term begins May 26, 2018 and runs through May 25, 2022. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

At 5:34 pm upon motion of Legislator Hilchey the committee adjourned to executive session to discuss a personnel matter as it relates to the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

The Public Service Committee reconvened at 6:04PM upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:04 PM upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.



Rochelle M. Stein, Chair
Public Service Committee
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