

Present: Committee Members Clattenburg, Dibble, Yunker, Young, also present Legislators Stein, Deleo, Maha, Torrey, Legislature Clerk Pamela LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Assistant County Manager Matt Landers, Highway Superintendent Tim Hens, Planning Director Felipe Oltramari, Justice for Children Coordinator Theresa Asmus-Roth

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 suspending the Open Meeting Law, the Genesee County Public 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 Temporary Chair Clattenburg at 4:30 PM.

Temporary Chair Clattenburg stated that Legislator Hilchey resigned effective May 14, 2020 and Legislature Chair Stein asked her to serve temporarily. Legislator Young was temporarily appointed.

A motion to amend the agenda to add Grant Acceptance/2020 Budget Item Transfer/Airport was made by Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

Minutes of the April 13, 2020 Public Service Committee meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

Planning Director Felipe Oltramari explained that the 30-day comment period to consider inclusion in Ag District 4 is done. There is a parcel requesting to be added in the Town of Byron. Ag & Markets Law requires a public hearing which will be scheduled for June 10, 2020. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

Mr. Oltramari explained that when the public hearing ends a resolution authorizing the inclusion of the parcel in Byron and an environmental review will be necessary. He is presenting the resolution now however it will be brought to the June 10<sup>th</sup> Legislature meeting. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

Justice for Children Advocacy Center Coordinator Theresa Asmus-Roth requested approval of a salary schedule amendment to eliminate a community service/victim assistant and create a Community Service/Victim Assistant to better serve program clients. The change is budget neutral and the position will be provisional. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Highway Superintendent Tim Hens requested approval of a bid renewal for Highway fuel products as allowed for under the specifications for each item. Cost of fuel is budgeted within the

Road Machinery budget. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens requested approval of a bid award for road salt with American Rock Salt of Mt. Morris, NY at a price of \$51.29 per ton. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens requested approval of an agreement with TSG Security, Inc. for services related to fire alarm replacements. This is a capital project established in April and uses 1% sales tax. Total cost is \$12,673.18. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens explained that the County is required to adopt an agreement that formalizes the sharing of equipment, materials and services between the county and municipalities. The agreement was originally adopted in 2006 and has been readopted ever since. It is set to expire next month therefore he is seeking approval to execute the agreement effective through June 2022. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens stated the County has received federal aid to replace the Judge Rd over the Whitney Creek bridge within the Town of Alabama and 3 bids were received for consultants to provide construction administration and inspection services. He is recommending a consultant agreement with Lu Engineers of Rochester, NY for an amount not to exceed \$112,000. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens explained that he researched bid specifications for the stabilization and repair of a failing roadside slope along Hickox Rd in the Town of Alexander. He is recommending a contract with GeoStabilization International of Commerce City, Colorado in an amount not to exceed \$95,845. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens explained that Genesee County is expecting a federal aid grant to demolish aging T-Hangars which are an obstruction to navigation at the Genesee County Airport and bid specifications were advertised for the construction of this project. Several bids were received and Mr. Hens is recommending approval of a contract with Finger Lakes Envirotech of Painted Post, NY in an amount not to exceed \$142,335.08. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens explained that three different types of state funding have been provided to the County by New York State. Capital projects have been established that account for the repair and replacement of highways, bridges and culverts and he is requesting approval to amend the established capital projects and spend the allocated state funds. He related he is fairly confident the funding will come from the State but he is also planning to hold off on these projects until late June or early July. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for

placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens explained that Genesee County has been offered an Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grant by the Federal Aviation Administration under the authority of the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act and it can be used to assist with any expense related to the operation of, or improvement to, the County Airport. The grant is in the amount of \$69,000. He is seeking approval to accept the grant and make transfers in the budget to decrease 1% sales tax and replace with the CARES Act grant funding in a like amount. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Dibble seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens provided an update on the existing jail facility and required maintenance. Since the new Jail project is on “pause” he provided an update on high and moderate priority maintenance. He acknowledged we don’t want to spend any more money on the facility than what is absolutely necessary. He explained that the County has applied for grant funding to assist with costs of shoring up the front of the building where Genesee Justice is housed. Total cost for that needed maintenance/mitigation is around \$750,000. Grant applications have not been successful and the work still needs to get done. Mr. Hens recommends pressing ahead with the design of the new jail so we can be ready. Assistant County Manager Matt Landers explained the project is 100% designed. Legislator Stein recommended looking further into shared services with another County. Deputy Highway Superintendent Paul Osborn stated there are two boilers in the basement of the jail with a replacement cost of \$20,000-25,000 per boiler. Additional information and data will be gathered for future discussions pertaining to the jail project.

County Manager Jay Gsell reported that Genesee County, a member of the Finger Lakes region, began with Phase I of re-opening on May 15, 2020. NYS Empire State Development is coordinating bi-weekly meetings with member counties. Mr. Gsell and Legislature Chair Stein are in the “Control Room” for the conference calls/meetings.

The next meeting of the Public Service Committee is June 15, 2020.

Chair Clattenburg stated the term of office of Tom Schubmehl on the Genesee County Planning Board will expire this year and he has indicated an interest and desire for reappointment to another term that would end May 31, 2023. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

Chair Clattenburg explained there are two members of the Ag & Farmland Protection Board whose terms are expiring and they both desire to be reappointed for another term. Jeanette Veazey-Post of Oakfield and LeAnne McKenzie of Pavilion would like to serve again for the period ending June 1, 2023. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Young seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 5:47 PM upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Young, carried unanimously.

*Andrew Young approved 6-15-20*

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Andrew Young, Chair  
Public Service Committee  
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