

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
GENESEE COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ZOOM VIDEO CONFERENCE
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2020**

The Genesee County Legislature met on Wednesday, June 10, 2020 following the Legislature Meeting at 6:15PM using Zoom Video Conference.

Legislature Chair Stein called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM for a discussion pertaining to the 2020 County Budget including the federal stimulus package, capital projects, revenue distribution, funding outside agencies and water costs.

County Manager Jay Gsell provided an update on savings from furloughs and a hiring freeze which is projected to be about \$99,000. There are additional non-expenditures from a drastic reduction in travel that all county departments have reported. Highway Superintendent Tim Hens shared what he learned recently regarding CHIPS funds which are projected to be 80% reimbursement. If a federal stimulus package is passed and the 20% is made available that would make approximately \$350,000 available in funding that he would use to chip seal as many miles of road as possible. Mr. Hens also reported on the reduction in capital projects for 2020 and 2021. He has scaled back as far as possible with capital projects and made recommendations on which projects need to be completed. Mr. Gsell stated the Governor still has three opportunities to look back at the state budget and make cuts to county funded programs. This is in addition to the reduction in sales tax revenue. There are still many unknowns in terms of how much revenue the County will lose. Outside agencies differ in terms of signed contracts and when they receive payments. County Attorney Kevin Earl stated that the Treasurer has the authority to pay outside agencies. Mr. Gsell stated that some contracts are specific with deliverables therefore if an agency is unable to provide a service or activity due to gathering restrictions we shouldn't provide funding. Chair Stein stated that legislators should continue to serve as liaisons and have conversations with the boards and directors about funding issues and budget cuts. It was suggested that further review of the email from Kevin Earl pertaining to which outside agencies have out clauses and how to legally make changes will be useful.

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Klotzbach, carried unanimously.