

Present In-Person: Committee Members Maha, Clattenburg, Yunker, Dibble, also, Klotzbach, Stein, Hawley, Deleo, Legislature Clerk LaGrou, County Manager Landers, Asst. County Manager Ferringer, Executive Secretary Vicky Muckle, Co. Attny. Kevin Earl, Highway Superintendent Tim Hens, Planning Director Felipe Oltramari, Deputy Planning Director Erin Pence, Justice for Children Advocacy Center Coordinator Theresa Roth, Solid Waste Administrator Peggy Grayson, Treasurer Scott German, Historian Michael Eula, Highway Superintendent Tim Hens, Assistant Engineer Laura Wadams, Public Defender Jerry Ader, DA Larry Friedman, IT Tech Walker Bykowicz, Mike Pettinella-The Batavian, Howard Owens-The Batavian, Mark Gutman –The Batavia Daily News, Children’s County Flag winner Riley Wall & family members

Present via ZOOM videoconference: Sheriff William Sheron

The Public Service Committee Meeting was called to order by Chair Maha at 4:30 PM in the Old Courthouse and using Zoom Video Conference. Chair Maha lead the pledge to the flag.

The agenda was amended to add two Public Defender contract acceptance resolutions upon motion of Yunker seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Minutes of the May 17, 2021 Public Service Committee meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Justice for Children Advocacy Center Coordinator Theresa Roth requested approval of a contract renewal with H2H Facility Services for specialty office cleaning services at the CAC and both satellite locations. Monthly cost is \$525 with the contract term of March 1, 2021 through March 1, 2022. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Planning Director Felipe Oltramari requested approval of a budget amendment in the amount of \$40,000. He explained that County applied for and was awarded a NYS Empire State Development (ESD) planning grant (CFA ID #93920) in the amount of \$40,000 to update the County Comprehensive Plan and create a County Recreation Plan and the County is awaiting the contract from the State. The resolution is budget neutral as the grant funding offsets the capital expenses. 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. Oltramari requested authorization to execute the Flood Model Data Subscription Order Form with First Street Foundation of Brooklyn, NY for the purposes of informing the County Resiliency Plan. First Street Foundation, Inc. is offering the data model subscription free of charge in recognition of the County’s resiliency mission and its research of climate risk. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

Solid Waste Administrator Peggy Grayson presented the Intermunicipal Cooperation Contract with a term through December 31, 2023. The Genesee County contribution remains the same at

\$25,805. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Ms. Grayson requested certificates of insurance be issued to allow for the Solid Waste Administrator to attend local festivals and fairs. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Sheriff Sheron requested authorization to accept state funds in the amount of \$41,876 from NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services for the Genesee Justice pre-trial services program. Agreement period is July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

Sheriff Sheron requested authorization to renew the agreement between the Village of Bergen and the Sheriff's Office for a period of June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Sheriff Sheron requested approval of MOU renewal with Alexander, Pembroke and Oakfield-Alabama and Genesee Valley BOCES. The last is requesting an additional 2 months which will increase the contract amount from 10 months to 12 months. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Mr. Sheron requested a budget transfer due to Animal Control overtime costs. The overage can be covered with a transfer from supplies and gas to overtime salaries. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Probation Director Tim Michalak shared highlights of his department review. Probation officers assisted with COVID test clinics late in 2020 and into 2021 as well as at the COVID vaccination clinics. The department is using "CE Check in" software which was especially valuable this past year during the pandemic because it allowed for probationers to check in virtually. The department is in compliance with State training requirements for officers. All officers are trained in motivational interviewing. A flex schedule allows officers to get out in the field during non-traditional hours and is voluntary for those who wish to participate. The department is fully staffed and they are on target for the 2021 budget. At present each PO has an approximate caseload of 70 which is higher than some counties yet lower than others.

Highway Superintendent Tim Hens shared an update on the Water Project. He clarified the Voluntary Water Conservation recommendation that has been posted to the media is a recommendation and not an order. Citizens are asked to be mindful of water use but especially on hot dry summer days. The public is asked to reduce unnecessary water use. The pandemic shutdown has caused delays in the Phase 2 water project which as ultimately pushed back the date of completion. Currently, pump station upgrades are underway and work is out for bid.

Phase 3 design work will be started by CLP who the County has worked with previously. Meetings and discussions with the GCEDC are underway regarding future water volume needs and expectations.

Mr. Hens requested approval of a resolution for a contract renewal for highway fuel products. The current agreement is with NOCO Energy Corp. and the renewal period is 9/1/21 through 8/31/22. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens requested authorization for a consultant agreement with Barton & Loguidice for the design of shoreline improvements at DeWitt Recreation area. The agreement amount is \$73,000 and capital project has been established. Part of the project is being funded by the Ralph C. Wilson Foundation. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Yunker, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens requested approval of a concurrence of the Intermunicipal Agreement between Alexander and Darien relative to the provision of water to residents along the Darien Alexander Townline Road. 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 explained how 14 Main Street (Genesee Justice) building is failing and he has attempted to secure historic preservation grants without success. The restoration work was put out to bid previously but all bids were rejected due to coming in higher than budgeted. The condition of the building continues to deteriorate therefore he is recommending an expert reassess the condition of the stonework and is requesting approval of a contract with Flynn-Battaglia Architects in an amount not to exceed \$38,000 for the updating of construction documents. 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 requested approval of an award of bid for a new aircraft tug for use at the county airport at a cost not to exceed \$58,650. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens requested approval of a salary schedule amendment which will allow for assistance with the County's water program. The position would be dedicated to water and paid out of the water fund. Cost of the position in 2021 is \$50,251. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens explained the Animal Shelter Improvement Grant is in need of another extension to ensure all reporting is completed with NYS Ag & Markets. Work is completed at the Animal

Shelter and funds have been expended. 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 change order in the amount of \$5,587.55 for Finger Lakes Envirotech, LLC for work related to additional removal of materials and additional asphalt milling related to the demolition of a T-Hangar at the Genesee County Airport. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Public Defender Jerry Ader requested the acceptance of the contract between Genesee County and the New York State Unified Court System (Contract Number: C250713) for a five year term from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2026 which funds the salary and fringe benefits of one Assistant Public Defender in the Public Defender's Family Court division. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Yunker seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

Mr. Ader requested approval of the contract between the County of Genesee and the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services Contract Number: C3RD618, Third Upstate Quality Improvement and Caseload Reduction, to continue to provide funding for the proposed contract between the County of Genesee County and Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo (LABB) for appellate services. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

District Attorney Larry Friedman summed up his department review by indicating the majority of assistants in the DA's office have fewer years of experience than years past. There has been turnover of attorneys and most now have only a few years' experience. This is his last department review to the Public Service Committee as he is retiring December of this year. The first assistant DA Kevin Finnell is running unopposed. The next first assistant DA may come from outside the DA's office.

County Manager Matt Landers provided an update on the New Jail Project which had been paused due to the pandemic and bail reform. The New Jail Committee has been working on a timeline for re-starting the project. There are many unknowns and limited opportunity to predict future needs. A cost estimate is being sought by Pike Company. Once received, a Committee of the Whole will be called to review and update the legislature further on next steps and planning.

The next meeting of the Public Service Committee is Monday, July 19, 2021 following Human Services (approximately 5:00 PM).

Public Service Chair Maha and Planning Director Felipe Oltramari announced Riley Wall was selected as the Children's Flag design winner and indicated the flag was being flown today, Flag Day, per resolution number 247 which adopted her winning design as the Genesee County Flag for a day. Riley commented on her idea for the design and how it took her a few days to design and color exactly as she envisioned. All were asked to proceed to the Genesee County Court Facility where a ceremony was planned.

The meeting adjourned at 5:42 pm upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Dibble, carried unanimously.

*Gary Maha approved 7-19-21*

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Gary Maha, Chair  
Public Service Committee

Submitted 6/17/2021 phl