Present: Legislators Stein, Hilchey, Maha, Torrey, Also Present: Legislators Bausch, Young, Clattenburg, Dibble, Legislature Clerk LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Planning Director Felipe Oltramari, County Attorney Kevin Earl, Highway Superintendent Tim Hens, Undersheriff Greg Walker, Probation Director Tim Michalak, Asst. County Manager Matt Landers, Genesee Justice Coordinator Cathy Uhly, JCAC Coordinator Theresa Asmus-Roth, EMS Coordinator Tim Yaeger, District Attorney Larry Friedman, First Assistant District Attorney Melissa Cianfrini, Confidential Secretary Lacie Snell, Public Defender Jerry Ader, Howard Owens-The Batavian, Jim Krencik-The Daily News

Public Service Committee Chair Stein called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM in the Legislature Conference Room.

The minutes of the June 13, 2018 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

Planning Director Felipe Oltramari explained that Berney Staats, a Planning Board member whose term expired 5/31/18 is interested in reappointment to another term. Mr. Staats has a long history of service on the Planning Board and although his health was suffering last year he is doing better and was at the most recent Board Meeting. Mr. Oltramari stated one vacancy remains. At present, there is not a representative from District 1 or 8. 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.

Genesee Justice Coordinator Cathy Uhly presented a request for a budget amendment in the amount of \$2,200 from the Criminal Justice Day training. Revenue and expenses associated with the event totaled \$2,200 therefore there is no impact on the budget. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

Probation Director Tim Michalak answered questions from his written department review. Mr. Michalak described how Probation assists the Sheriff's Office with transportation of females by traveling to the probationer instead of having the Sheriff's office transport the probationer to them for an interview. He stated that the flex time policy is beneficial to the department as well as to individual PO's. He monitors scheduling to ensure program needs are met. He described the Confinement Option Program by explaining that the court has latitude with probation violators. If the judge wants them to continue on probation they can be placed on Home Confinement however, they do not get an ankle bracelet. He described Evidence Based Practices which are programs that have been studied and demonstrate that they are effective and work. Raise the Age is raising awareness of Evidence-based Practices. Mr. Michalak described the

high level of commitment his department and other County Departments have with participating on committees and work groups to stay current with RTA requirements and implementation. He is familiar with the changing tone of language the State is using regarding reimbursement.

EMS Coordinator Tim Yaeger requested approval of an award of bid for an upgraded surveillance camera on the emergency support unit #2 at a cost of \$23,599.35. The sole bidder met the specifications and the purchasing director and EMS coordinator are recommending Colden Enterprises provide the materials and labor for the upgraded camera. This camera will record and keep the recordings until deleted per Mr. Yaeger. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Yaeger requested permission to apply for the HMEP grant which is made available on an annual basis. The 2018-19 maximum EMS can apply for is \$5,172. Funds must be used for hazmat response planning. This was approved upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

Public Defender Jerry Ader requested approval of a contract between the County and Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo for appellate defense services for the period of January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020 in the amount of \$300,000. He further explained the contract will be fully funded by an Indigent Legal Services grant however the grant does not allow for administrative fees to be charged. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

Justice for Children Advocacy Center Coordinator Theresa Asmus-Roth presented a lease agreement with the First Presbyterian Church of Batavia for the building they currently use for \$1/year. The lease would be retroactive to July 1, 2016 and end June 30, 2031. An architectural study funded by the Justice for Children GLOW Foundation has been completed and they are seeking bids for a renovation project that will improve accessibility and provide necessary space. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Ms. Asmus-Roth requested approval of a budget amendment to accept reimbursement for training by the Northeast Regional Child Advocacy Center. Leadership Exchange and Coaching training was attended in January and March of this year. The full cost of training will be covered by the reimbursement amount of \$949.00. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Highway Superintendent Tim Hens explained that the County will be awarded a federal grant to reconstruct taxiway "C" at the airport and has received a total of 6 bids. He is recommending the construction inspection and administration of the "reconstruct Taxiway C" aspect of the project be awarded to C & S Companies for \$227,000 and the construction of Taxiway C be awarded to DiFiore Construction for \$1,994,357. Local match is 5% and is estimated to be \$111,067. 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 requested approval of an agreement renewal with Cintas Corporation for work clothing/uniforms for facilities, highway and central services employees. There is no cost increase for the service. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens next explained there are four pieces of equipment that he is requesting be deemed surplus; two-2007 Ford pickup trucks, 2001 International Bucket Truck and Davey Air Compressor. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens stated the County Highway Department shares equipment, materials and services with other Genesee County Municipalities. The agreement was formalized in 2006 and is renewed every 2 years however the arrangement began well before. He explained that it is mutually beneficial and over time, each municipality including the County, reap the benefit of the shared services agreement. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens requested approval of an award of bid for the purchase and delivery of highway fuel. Purchase of fuel is a budgeted item in the road machinery fund. Mr. Hens is recommending awarding the bid to NOCO Energy Corporation. Contract period is September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2019. Fuel is purchased for use at all three fuel farms and amounts to about \$1 Mil per year. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

Mr. Hens presented a resolution that creates the position of Assistant Engineer and includes a budget amendment to cover the cost of the position which is expected to be \$52,196 for the remainder of 2018. Mr. Hens stated he appreciates the support of the committee and legislature and is confident this additional position will ensure work is done efficiently and correctly. 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.

Undersheriff Greg Walker explained the Sheriff's department is in need of additional law enforcement pursuit rated SUV vehicles and five bids were received for the purchase of five 2018 vehicles. The lowest bidder is state contract - Beyer Ford of Morristown, New Jersey at a cost of \$143,652. \$156,800 was appropriated to the 2018 asset acquisition therefore the remaining \$13,147 will be used for the purchase and installation of any additional equipment. Mr. Walker stated that SUV vehicles are preferred because they are bigger and can accommodate the added equipment while still providing deputies with enough room to get in and out of the vehicle. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Walker presented a resolution reappointing members to a three year term on the Traffic Safety Board; Sheriff Sheron, Police Chief Heubusch, Planning Director Oltramari and Citizen rep James Orr. He also requested appointment of new members Sergeant Emily McNamara from LeRoy Police Department and Abby Diegelman, Health Department rep. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Walker explained the next request for an agreement with Western Regional OTB for additional law enforcement services for the summer concert season. This is the second year WROTB is hosting summer concerts. The same arrangement was beneficial last year therefore they have made a request for the same for June 1, 2018 through May 31, 2019. All costs are billed back to WROTB for the additional law enforcement services. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Walker requested approval of an agreement renewal and budget amendment for police services for the Village of Bergen. This agreement has been in place for several years and both parties are satisfied with the service. An appropriation of \$13,500 will be offset by revenue billed back to the Village for services rendered. 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.

District Attorney Larry Friedman introduced First ADA Melissa Cianfrini and Confidential Secretary Lacie Snell before reviewing his department report which focused on the need for another assistant DA. Mr. Friedman outlined multiple reasons for why he will be asking for another ADA in the 2019 budget. He referenced implementation of Raise the Age and the impact it will have on his office, time spend reviewing footage from police body cameras and other video footage from private citizens, the increase in

appeals which takes more time, the number of search warrant applications is on the rise and the number of specialized courts is increasing. Ms. Cianfrini explained how these courts include meetings to review progress for each individual participating in that court. This impacts availability for town court and felony trials in County Court. She also described how there are several new deputies and police officers who are seeking out ADA's to discuss charges and ensure they are doing the right thing and following correct procedure. Their interest in learning takes more time than when a seasoned Deputy calls to verify or discuss a matter. Moreover, a long-time ADA is retiring this year which means he will be replacing an experienced attorney with someone requiring training. Mr. Friedman stated that he will be including another assistant DA in his 2019 budget.

First ADA Melissa Cianfrini explained the request for a Budget Amendment to move \$3,075 in forfeited funds from a restricted reserve account. The funds should have been distributed to three separate agencies including the district attorney office. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

County Manager Jay Gsell explained that the Benjamin Bonarigo law firm is interested in administering the Assigned Council program for Genesee County. The program has been administered by Confidential Secretary Sarah Kingdon since Michael Rivers moved out of town in August 2017. Mr. Rivers assumed the duties of administrator after Mr. Zickel retired. Legislature Chair Bausch indicated he contacted several members of the legal community to encourage coordination of the Assigned Counsel Program. Mr. Gsell explained that future direction for the program may include a regional venture with one or more counties. An agreement has been reviewed by the County and the Bonarigo Law Firm and a cost of \$17,500 annually was agreed to. This was referred to Ways & Means with a recommendation for placement on the next Legislature agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

The Clerk reported the next scheduled meeting of the Public Service Committee is July 31, 2018.

Public Service Chair Stein commented that the updated information regarding the sale/lease of the motor pool was useful and that two applications for Water Resources Agency have been received. An appointment is needed to fill the unexpired term of Bill Kappus who served on the board and passed away unexpectedly.

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

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Rochelle M. Stein, Chair

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