

Present: Legislators Stein, Torrey, Maha, Hilchey, Also Present: Legislators Dibble, Deleo, Bausch, Legislature Clerk Pamela LaGrou, County Manager Jay Gsell, Asst. Co. Mgr. Matt Landers, County Attorney Kevin Earl, Highway Superintendent Tim Hens, Emergency Management Coordinator Tim Yaeger, Emergency Communications Director Steve Sharpe, Sheriff William Sheron, JCAC Coordinator Teresa Asmus-Roth, Public Defender Jerry Ader, Brian Quinn – The Daily News

Public Service Chair Stein called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM in the Legislative Conference Room at the Old Courthouse.

Minutes of the October 15, 2019 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

Sheriff William Sheron requested a budget transfer for the K-9 Program to cover costs associated with K-9 Frankie's bulletproof vest and other incidentals. Total amount to be transferred is \$400. 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.

Sheriff Sheron requested approval of a budget amendment for STOP-DWI patrols. The STOP-DWI Coordinator reallocated funds within the 2019 budget to allow the Sheriff's Office to run additional STOP-DWI Patrols. Total amount is \$1,450. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

Sheriff Sheron explained that due to staff changes and an officer out on extended sick leave there are overtime costs that have exceeded the 2019 budgeted amount for security at the Court Facility. The Office of Court Administration will reimburse all court security costs. Total amount is \$27,000. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Emergency Communications Director Steve Sharpe requested approval of a contract amendment with Eaton Corporation for the provision of maintenance of the uninterrupted power supply supporting the Genesee County Emergency Dispatch Center at Park Road. Cost of the maintenance is \$6,000 for 2020. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Sheriff Sheron announced a statewide media event scheduled for November 21 at 10:00 am where District Attorneys Association, Sheriff's Association and Chiefs of Police Association will be speaking at various locations throughout the state on the impact of bail reform on law enforcement. Sheriff Sheron will be attending the event in Monroe County.

Public Defender Jerry Ader requested approval of an agreement amendment with the Unified Court System to extend the term of the agreement nine months from December 31, 2019 to September 30, 2020. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Mr. Ader requested a budget transfer to cover costs associated with on-call expenses. Hurrell-Harring Reform grant funds and ILS-SCAFA funds are available to cover the costs. On-call rates were included in the grant application that was made to the State and vary depending on the day of the week. 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. Ader requested a budget transfer in the amount of \$70 to cover the costs of a desk, chair and bookcase. The items were budgeted for however they exceeded the budget by \$70. 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.

Emergency Services Coordinator Tim Yaeger presented the proposed Arson Control Plan developed by the County Fire Investigation Team. The proposed plan establishes a plan of cooperative efforts of fire, law enforcement and prosecutorial services and provides guidelines, policies and regulations to ensure a thorough, safe and systematic investigation and analysis of fire and explosive incidents. He recommended adoption of the plan. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Maha seconded by Legislator Hilchey, carried unanimously.

Justice for Children Advocacy Center Coordinator Theresa Asmus-Roth requested permission to apply for the National Children's Alliance Grant for funds to support direct victim services, mental health treatment and forensic interviewing. Grant term is one year. Legislator Maha made a motion authorizing permission to apply seconded by Legislator Torrey, carried unanimously.

District Attorney Larry Friedman requested a salary schedule amendment allowing his office to hire a paralegal beginning December 2, 2019. The Paralegal position is new in 2020. He explained that his office has funds to cover the salary and fringe benefits for the month of December and there is work for the paralegal now. 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.

Highway Superintendent Tim Hens explained his request for a capital project budget transfer. He recommends transferring local funds from a road project to the Large Span Culvert project to allow for the completion of an additional large span culvert in Alabama. Funds from the capital project Colby Road are available to be transferred to large span culverts. Total amount to be transferred is \$195,000. 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 explained he is recommending authorizing additional bridge and culvert work with Keeler Construction as part of the large span culvert project in Alabama. Total amount of the change order is \$235,277.70. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Torrey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.

County Manager Jay Gsell reported he is working on updating the Shared Services Plan. There will be three public hearings on the plan update; November 20, 21, 25, 2019.

Assistant County Manager & New Jail Committee Co-Chair Matt Landers stated there are meetings/workshops scheduled for December 16 & 17. The hold on consultant work has been lifted now that the County has a means to fund the jail. The Governor signed the special 40 year legislation allowing the County and City to proceed with a 40-year Sales tax Allocation agreement. Mr. Landers stated the Jail Committee will have to work diligently to ensure there is no need for redesign work. The consultants are relatively confident the cost can remain at 60 Mil.

The next meeting of the Public Service Committee is December 2 following Human Services Committee meeting.

County Manger Jay Gsell stated there is a sample resolution regarding delaying bail and discovery reform and his office is working on tailoring to Genesee County. The draft will be ready for discussion and possible action at Ways & Means meeting on November 20, 2019.

The meeting adjourned at 5:09 pm upon motion of Legislator Hilchey seconded by Legislator Maha, carried unanimously.



Rochelle M. Stein, Chair
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