

Present: Legislators Bausch, Stein, Clattenburg, Cianfrini. Also Present: Legislators Torrey, Deleo, Young, Davis, Legislature Clerk LaGrou, County Manager Gsell, County Attorney Kevin Earl, Asst. County Manager Matt Landers, Health Director Paul Pettit, Health Educator Kristine Voos, Treasurer Scott German, Probation Supervisor Rachael Sanfratello, GCEDC staff Mark Masse, John Hilchey, Mallory Diefenbach-The Daily News.

Ways & Means Chairman Bausch called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM in the Legislature Conference room. The minutes of the June 21, 2017 meeting were approved upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

Public Health Director Paul Pettit and Educator Kristine Voos requested permission to apply for a Greater Rochester Health Foundation Community Health Grant to purchase exercise equipment for use in the wellness room by County employees in Building #2. The room has some donated equipment that they would like to replace as well as purchase rubber flooring. Legislator Stein inquired about outcomes that demonstrate improved employee productivity and wellness and if health insurance rates will be affected. Legislator Clattenburg stated she would not support the grant application unless all employees have access to the equipment. Legislator Cianfrini asked if fitness equipment users are required to sign a waiver. A waiver template is available however, currently no waiver is signed. Chair Bausch stated he expects the county attorney will review and approve the waiver. The wellness room was started from a grass roots effort among county building #2 employees. Committee members agreed to support the request to apply if the Health Department will continue to expand the effort beyond County Building #2. A motion to give permission to apply was made by Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

Assistant County Manager Matt Landers requested that a public hearing be scheduled for a CDBG grant from the NYS Office of Community Renewal to assist in the implementation of Project Dairy in the Town of Batavia, New York as an economic development project. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

Treasurer Scott German explained that the County has a contract with M & T Bank to provide a Purchasing Card Program. The contract can be renewed for one more year utilizing the first of three renewal options. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Cianfrini, carried unanimously.

County Attorney Kevin Earl presented a resolution calling on the Governor and Legislature to provide county governments with permanent authority to extend current sales tax rates. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Cianfrini, carried unanimously.

Next Mr. Earl stated that he was looking for Committee members input and their blessing on pursuing information on how to proceed with securing a law firm or joining other counties in a law suit against major drug manufacturers. Mr. Earl presented a resolution that was tabled upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously. Legislator Cianfrini explained that he had a conversation with Mr. Earl asking for research to be conducted regarding the law firms involved, what costs may be incurred by the County and then provide that information to the Legislature.

The next agenda item addressed by Mr. Earl was for an agreement with National Court Reporters Association to use the Old Courthouse for an 8-week training session. He explained that he wanted to give his approval to the Legislature. Legislator Stein questioned why the College was not being used given the educational setting and technology available. Mr. Gsell explained that the program is a preliminary step in the process of becoming a court reporter. It allows anyone who may be interested to get more information before starting the required coursework-it is more of an orientation to the field of court reporting. The courtroom setting is also desirable for the training session since much court reporting work occurs in a courtroom setting. Legislator Cianfrini stated it was his understanding they did not have insurance and asked Mr. Earl if others have been allowed to use facilities without insurance. It was stated that others are required to have insurance. He also asked if the trainers are being paid. Legislator Clattenburg pointed out that they plan to hold trainings after work hours therefore requiring the building be unlocked and unattended. She further explained her main concern was security. Chair Bausch stated his concern was with knowing exactly what entity/who is offering the training. This was tabled upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

The following referral was from the Human Services Committee upon Motion of Chair Stein:

Budget Amendment/Acceptance Of Grant Awards – 2017 Office For The Aging seconded by Legislator Cianfrini, carried unanimously.

County Manager Jay Gsell explained the request for a budget amendment to carry over CDBG Funds from 2016 to 2017 for the PW Minor project. There is no budget impact since the \$4,134 will be offset by the budget amendment. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Stein seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

Next, Mr. Gsell presented an out-of-state travel request for Jason Mindler of the Probation Department to travel to Epping, NH for Sig Sauer Pistols Armorer Certification Sept 19-22, 2017 cost to county \$944.00. Legislator Cianfrini asked if there will be a savings to the county by having a PO certified to repair weapons. There was also a question about the purchase date and if the weapons have any warranty. Probation Supervisor Rachael Sanfratello stated there are 13 PO's, all of whom have a weapon as well as the 2 supervisors and director Michalak for a total of 16 weapons. There are no

extra weapons or back-ups. She was unsure of savings or the status of warranty on the weapons purchased about a year ago. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Clattenburg seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.

Next, Mr. Gsell presented an out-of-state travel request for Tim Hens, Highway Superintendent to travel to Columbus, OH for NACE Exec Committee Meetings and NACo Transportation Steering Committee meeting July 20-22, 2017 cost to county \$69.00. This was approved for placement on the next Legislature Agenda upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Clattenburg, carried unanimously.

The last out-of-state travel request was presented for Eve Hens, Purchasing Director to travel to Columbus, OH for the NACo Annual Conference July 20-22, 2017 cost to county \$375.00. The request failed.

Mr. Gsell explained the Sales Tax extender and Mortgage Tax extenders were passed by both the Senate and Assembly during the extraordinary Session in Albany last week.

Treasurer Scott German shared an update on sales tax payments indicating the County is \$32,000 above the projected amount for this time of the year. He expressed that internet sales, which are high among younger consumers, negatively impact our sales tax revenue. He further explained that companies like Amazon involve a third party which affects collection of sales tax locally.

The Clerk reported the next scheduled meeting of the Ways & Means Committee is Wednesday, July 19, 2017 this will be followed by a Legislature meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:18 PM pm upon motion of Legislator Cianfrini seconded by Legislator Stein, carried unanimously.



Robert Bausch, Chair
Ways & Means Committee
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