

General Services Committee
August 11, 2020
Minutes

Members Present: Committee Chair Philip Reed, Legislators Robert Cantwell, Daniel McBride, Robert Ferris, Corey Grant, Anthony Doldo, Chairman of the Board Scott Gray

Others Present: Legislator Frances Calarco, County Administrator Robert Hagemann, Deputy Administrator Sarah Baldwin, Fire and Emergency Management Director Joseph Plummer, Watertown Daily Times Reporter Alex Gault, Secretary Torri Richmire

Chairman Reed called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Chairman Reed offered privilege of the floor, however no one present wished to address the Committee. The Committee approved the minutes of the June meeting as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced resolution Authorizing Agreement in Relation to the FY20 Emergency Management Performance Grant and Amending the 2020 County Budget in Relation Thereto and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator McBride and seconded by Legislator Ferris. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Amending the 2020 County Budget to Recognize Insurance Recovery and Allocating Same in Fire and Emergency Management Department Budget and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Cantwell and seconded by Legislator Grant. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing Agreements With Jefferson County Public Safety Agencies for the Lending of Subscriber Radio Units Compatible with Jefferson County's Upgraded Emergency Management Radio System and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Doldo and seconded by Legislator Cantwell. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing the Implementation and Funding in the First Instance 100% of the Federal Aid and State "Marchiselli" Program Aid Eligible Costs of a Transportation Federal-Aid Project (CR 189 over Grunley Creek), Appropriating Funds Therefor and Amending the 2020 County Budget and Capital Plan and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Doldo seconded by Legislator McBride. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing Intergovernmental Agreement with the Town of Cape Vincent for Transfer of Ownership of Culvert E019 and Amending the County Highway Map in Relation Thereto and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by

Legislator Cantwell seconded by Legislator Doldo. Chairman Reed stated that this is part of an ongoing project of transferring roads and culverts to towns from the highway system once they have been replaced. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.


The Committee concurred with the recommendation made by Chairman Gray regarding an appointment to the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Committee (CEDS). Mr. Hagemann stated this appointment is to replace a laid-off Jefferson Community College representative.

Chairman Reed advised that due to the Covid 19 pandemic the spring hazardous waste collection was cancelled. The next collection date will be held on Saturday, October 3rd at the County Highway facility with special restrictions and times to be announced at a later date. He stated that this program has proved very effective in keeping hazardous materials out of the landfill.

In response to a question from Legislator McBride, Mr. Hagemann stated that the Highway Department is 4-6 weeks behind schedule on their projects for this year due to the Covid pandemic but hope to get to most of them on a scaled down measure.

There being no further business of the Committee, on a motion by Legislator Ferris seconded by Legislator Grant and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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Clerk of the Board