

Finance & Rules Committee
September 29, 2020
Minutes

Members Present: Committee Chair Michael Montigelli, Legislators Robert Cantwell, William Johnson, Allen Drake, James Nabywaniec, Patrick Jareo, Frances Calarco, and Board Chair Scott Gray

Others Present: Legislators John Peck, Corey Grant, and Anthony Doldo, County Administrator Robert Hagemann, Deputy Administrator Sarah Baldwin, County Attorney David Paulsen, Real Property Tax Services Director Roxanne Burns, Confidential Secretary Jill Jones

Chairman Montigelli called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m. and offered privilege of the floor, however no one present wished to speak. The Committee approved the August meeting minutes as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Setting Time and Place for Public Hearing on Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2021 and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Drake seconded by Legislator Jareo and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution amending the 2020 County Budget to Provide for Payment of Tax Certiorari Refunds and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Nabywaniec seconded by Legislator Jareo and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Concurring in Settlement of Tax Certiorari Proceedings and Authorizing Refund of Taxes in Connection Therewith (WGS Philadelphia Housing Associates, LLC) and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Johnson seconded by Legislator Drake and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Authorizing the Vacating of Judgment of Foreclosure for Owners of Certain Parcels of Real Property and Discontinuance of Foreclosure Proceeding and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Drake seconded by Legislator Nabywaniec and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Appointing County Administrator and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Jareo seconded by Legislator Cantwell and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Approving Appointment of Deputy County Administrator and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Cantwell seconded by Legislator Johnson and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution for Adoption of Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1) and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Jareo seconded by Legislator Nabywaniec and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Accepting Funding from the Center for Tech and Civil Life and Amending the 2020 County Budget in Relation Thereto and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Jareo and seconded by Legislator Cantwell. Legislator Jareo asked who the Center for Tech and Civil Life is, and if it is a private, state, or national organization. Administrator Hagemann said it is a one time grant, and he didn't know much about the organization, but NYSAC sent out a notice for all local governments to apply; our Board of Elections was already aware and we received notice of the award about the same time the NYSAC notice came out. Deputy Administrator Baldwin advised that it is a national organization based in the mid West and they had about \$250 million dollars available. The Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Amending Software Maintenance Agreement for Board of Elections Software and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Jareo seconded by Legislator Johnson and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Amending the 2020 County Budget Relative to the Board of Elections and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Cantwell seconded by Legislator Johnson and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Authorizing Employment Agreement with Jefferson County Civil Service Employees Association Local 1000, AFSCME, AFL-CIO and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Jareo seconded by Legislator Nabywaniec and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Authorizing the Use of Chargebacks in Relation to Debt Service Costs of a \$3,500,000 Maintenance and Revitalization Bond for Jefferson Community College and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Cantwell seconded by Legislator Johnson and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Amending the 2020 County Budget in Relation to the Real Property Tax Services Department and entertained a motion for

consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Jareo seconded by Legislator Cantwell and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced an additional resolution Concurring in Settlement of Tax Certiorari Proceedings and Authorizing Refund of Taxes in Connection Therewith (Liberty Sackets Harbor, LLC) and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Drake seconded by Legislator Johnson and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

The Committee approved the following General Services Committee sponsored resolutions on a motion by Legislator Cantwell seconded by Legislators Johnson, Nabywaniec, and Drake and unanimously carried:

- ✓ Amending the 2020 County Budget and Capital Plan in Relation to the Watertown International Airport Aircraft Rescue Fire Fighting Facility Construction Project
- ✓ Amending the 2020 County Budget in Relation to Fuel Farm Repairs at the Watertown International Airport

Legislator Jareo pointed out that these resolutions were already moved and seconded in their respective jurisdictional committee and don't necessarily need a motion and second in this Committee. Chairman Montigelli said that is true, however at this level we are dealing with it as a financial matter, not necessarily how it was presented at the other committee level, and he wanted to give legislators every opportunity for discussion.

- ✓ Authorizing Agreement and Amending the 2020 County Budget in Relation to the FY20 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant
- ✓ Amending the 2020 County Budget to Recognize Insurance Recovery and Allocating Same in Sheriff's Department Budget
- ✓ Authorizing Agreement and Amending the 2020 County Budget in Relation to the State FY20 State Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program Grant

The Committee approved the following Health & Human Services Committee sponsored resolutions on a motion by Legislator Cantwell seconded by Legislator Johnson, Drake, Nabywaniec and Jareo, and unanimously carried:

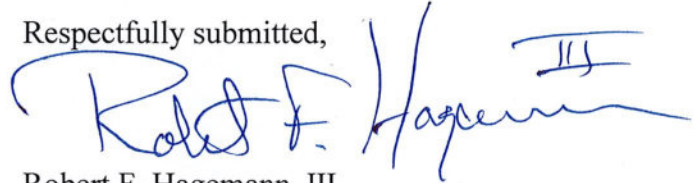
- ✓ Accepting Supplemental Funding From New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) for Immunization Action Plan and Amending the 2020 County Budget in Relation Thereto
- ✓ Amending the 2020 County Budget in Relation to Public Health Service
- ✓ Amending 2020 County Budget Relative to Additional Revenue From NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance for Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act-Emergency Solutions Grant Funding

Administrator Hagemann reminded legislators that the Budget Worksessions are scheduled for Monday, October 26th and Tuesday, October 27th.

Administrator Hagemann related that the NYS Comptroller's Office conducted their annual fiscal stress score and Jefferson County passed with flying colors. The Comptroller's Office has done this review of municipalities for the past three years (with Jefferson County passing every year) and it is a good indicator if there are financial issues a community should look out for.

There being no further business of the Committee, on a motion by Legislator Nabywaniec seconded by Legislator Cantwell and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert F. Hagemann, III". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R" and "H".

Robert F. Hagemann, III
Clerk of the Board