

Finance & Rules Committee
November 9, 2022
Minutes

Members Present: Committee Chair Michael Montigelli, Legislators Daniel McBride, Robert Ferris, Frances Calarco, Board Chair William Johnson

Others Present: Legislators Philip Reed, John Peck, Patrick Jareo, Corey Grant and Anthony Doldo, County Administrator Robert Hagemann, Deputy Administrator Sarah Baldwin, County Attorney David Paulsen, Town of Pamela Supervisor Scott Allen, Barton & Loguidice Representative John Condino, Confidential Secretary Jill Jones

Chairman Montigelli called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. and offered privilege of the floor however no one present wished to speak. The Committee approved the minutes of the September meeting as written.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Revising and Adopting 2023 Tentative Budget and acknowledged Chairman Johnson for comments. Chairman Johnson advised that after speaking to all Board members he is proposing an amendment to the Proposed Budget for action by the Committee that would add an additional \$5,000 appropriation for the Zoo, and decrease the tax levy by \$2,241,363 from the Recommended Budget for a total increase in the fund balance use of \$2,246,363. He said this would be the "Schedule A" referred to in the resolution. There being no other discussion, on a motion by Legislator Ferris seconded by Legislator Calarco and unanimously carried, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution with the proposed Schedule A changes included.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Appropriation for the Conduct of County Government for Fiscal Year 2023 and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator McBride seconded by Legislator Ferris and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Adopting Capital Plan for 2023-2028 and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Calarco seconded by Legislator Ferris and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution for Certification of Taxes to the City of Watertown and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Ferris and seconded by Legislator McBride. Mr. Hagemann advised that a final number for this resolution will be available for the Board Session next week. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Levying Tax Map Maintenance Charges for 2023 and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Calarco

seconded by Legislator Ferris and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Levying Hudson River-Black River Regulating District Assessments and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Ferris seconded by Legislator McBride and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Authorizing the Acceptance of Offers to Purchase Real Property Acquired by Tax Foreclosure but Not Sold at Auction and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Calarco seconded by Legislator Ferris and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Authorizing the Refund of Taxes Paid by WGS Philadelphia Housing Associates, LLP Due to Assessment Roll Clerical Error and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator McBride seconded by Legislator Ferris and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Authorizing an Agreement with the Town of Pamela Sewer District No. 10 for the Conveyance of Certain County Owned Sewer Infrastructure to the District and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Ferris and seconded by Legislator McBride. Mr. Condino advised that it is actually Sewer District No. 9. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution including the amendment to change the Sewer District No. to 9.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Approving Mortgage Tax Report and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Calarco seconded by Legislator Ferris and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Authorizing Agreement for the New York State Board of Elections Absentee Ballot Pre-Paid Postage Grant and Amending the 2022 County Budget in Relation Thereto and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator McBride seconded by Legislator Calarco and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Amending the 2022 County Budget in Relation to Elections and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Calarco seconded by Legislator Ferris and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Appointing Election Commissioner and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Calarco seconded

by Legislator Ferris and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Amending the 2022 County Budget in Relation to The Employment & Training Department and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator McBride seconded by Legislator Ferris and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Authorizing Appointments to the Jefferson-Lewis Workforce Development Board and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator McBride seconded by Legislator Calarco and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Amending the 2022 County Budget Relative to Departmental Health Benefits Accounts and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Ferris seconded by Legislator McBride and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Amending the 2022 County Budget in Relation to Insurance Department Medicare Part B Reimbursement and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Calarco seconded by Legislator Ferris and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Amending the 2022 County Budget in Relation to Community College Chargebacks and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator McBride and seconded by Legislator Calarco. Mr. Hagemann explained that chargebacks are the money Jefferson County pays when our residents attend other Community Colleges, and said there has been an increase in that happening lately. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Accepting Donation of Jefferson Community College (JCC) Faculty Student Association and Foundation Funds to Match State Aid and Amending the 2022 County Budget and Capital Plan in Relation Thereto and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Calarco seconded by Legislator McBride and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Amending the 2022 County Budget and Capital Plan and Accepting Donation Relative to Jefferson Community College and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Calarco seconded by Legislator Ferris and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Appointing Members to Jefferson County Industrial Development Agency and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly

made by Legislator Calarco seconded by Legislator McBride and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Appointing Member to Jefferson Community College Board of Trustees and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Calarco seconded by Legislator McBride and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Approving Appointments to the Thousand Islands Bridge Authority and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Ferris and seconded by Legislator Calarco. In response to a question Mr. Hagemann advised that they are different terms because Mr. Armstrong is a reappointment and Mr. Ormsby is filling an unexpired term. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Approving Appointment to the Jefferson County Planning Board and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Calarco seconded by Legislator McBride and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Memorial for Gary L. Fikes and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Ferris seconded by Legislator McBride and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli said the jurisdictional committee resolutions will be done as a block unless there are objections, and legislators can pull any resolution out to vote or discuss it separately.

The Committee unanimously approved the following General Services Committee sponsored resolutions:

- ✓ Amending the 2022 County Budget in Relation to the County Road Machinery Fund
- ✓ Amending the 2022 County Budget in Relation to Recycling & Waste Management
- ✓ Allowing the Enterprise Fund to Refinance Its Outstanding Principal Repayment to the General Fund
- ✓ Amending the 2022 County Budget in Relation to the Sheriff's Department

The Committee unanimously approved the following Health & Human Services Committee resolutions:

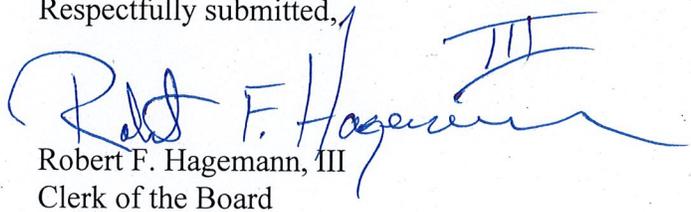
- ✓ Amending the 2022 County Budget to Allocate Additional State Aid for Credo Community Center for the Treatment of Addictions and Authorizing Amended Agreements in Relation Thereto
- ✓ Amending the 2022 County Budget Relative to Mental Health Programs and

- ✓ Authorizing Amended Agreements in Relation Thereto
- ✓ Amending the 2022 County Budget Relative to Public Health Department Accounts -Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Reopening Schools Grant
- ✓ Amending the 2022 County Budget Relative to Public Health Department Accounts - Prevent
- ✓ Amending 2022 County Budget Relative to Additional Revenue From the Auction of Unclaimed Property

Chairman Montigelli advised that Soil & Water Conservation District reported that they received \$18,000 for timber sales from the Jefferson County Reforestation Areas.

There being no further business, on a motion by Legislator Ferris seconded by Legislator McBride and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert F. Hagemann, III
Clerk of the Board