

General Services Committee
August 13, 2019
Minutes

Members Present: Committee Chair Philip Reed, Legislators Robert Cantwell, Patrick Jareo, Jeremiah Maxon, Robert Ferris, Anthony Doldo, Chairman of the Board Scott Gray

Others Present: Legislator William Johnson, Deputy Administrator Sarah Baldwin, County Attorney David Paulsen, Planning Director Michael Bourcy, Highway Superintendent James Lawrence, Airport Manager Grant Sussey, Secretary Torri Richmire

Chairman Reed called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and offered privilege of the floor, however no one present wished to speak. The minutes of the July meeting were approved without objection or correction.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing Agreement with the Town of Hounsfield to Exchange Ownership and Jurisdiction of a Certain Portion of County Road 75 and a Certain Portion of Old Rome Road with said Town and Amending the County Highway Map in Relation Thereto and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Jareo and seconded by Legislator Ferris. Legislator Maxon asked if Old Rome Road will take on a new County Road number. Mr. Lawrence stated that eventually the goal is for it to connect with Falls Road and become County Road 64. There being no further discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing an Agreement with the Community Action Planning Council to Promote Fair and Equal Housing 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 Establishing Time and Place for a Public Hearing on the 2019 Inclusions of Viable Agricultural Land in NYS Certified Agricultural Districts and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Doldo and seconded by Legislator Maxon. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing New York State Department of Environmental Conservation Recycling Equipment Grant and Amending the 2019 County Budget in Relation Thereto and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Jareo and seconded by Legislator Doldo. In response to a question from Legislator Doldo, Mrs. Baldwin stated that this was reimbursement for equipment purchased between 2011-2015 and Mr. Lawrence has indicated two pieces of equipment that are needed that the funds will be used for. There being no further discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented except Legislator Maxon who abstained.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Amending the 2019 County Budget and Capital Plan

to Recognize 2018 Revenue from Passenger Facility Charges at Watertown International Airport and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Jareo and seconded by Legislator Cantwell. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing Agreements with the New York State Department of Transportation, McFarland Johnson and Amending the 2019 County Budget and Capital Plan in Relation Thereto and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Jareo and seconded by Legislator Ferris. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing Agreement with McFarland Johnson in Relation to the Watertown International Airport Supplemental Environmental Assessment for Runway Protection Zone Land and Amending the 2019 County Budget and Capital Plan in Relation Thereto and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Doldo and seconded by Legislator Jareo. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

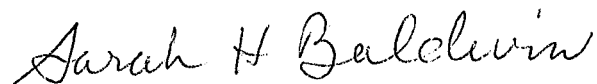
Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing Agreement and Amending the 2019 County Budget in Relation to the FY16 State Homeland Security Program Grant and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Ferris and seconded by Legislator Cantwell. Legislator Maxon requested more information regarding Operation Safeguard as his research has found that it is "see something, say something" terrorist campaign, encouraging neighbors to spy on one another and report to big brother which he is against. Legislator Jareo questioned what the Sheriff's office is using it for and requested more information as well. Legislator Doldo stated that earlier this year the State Police visited his store and advised him of things to look for if a customer was purchasing items to make drugs with. He stated that these funds may be used to educate the public regarding this. Mrs. Baldwin stated that she will request more information from the Sheriff's Department. There being no further discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented except Legislators Maxon and Jareo who were opposed.

Chairman Reed introduced an additional resolution Establishing Time and Place for Public Hearing Related to the 2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Process and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Maxon and seconded by Legislator Cantwell. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed stated that Legislators have a 6 month Recycling Report on their desks with July being a busy month.

There being no further business, on a motion by Legislator Maxon seconded by Legislator Jareo and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sarah H. Baldwin
Deputy Clerk of the Board