General Services Committee February 16, 2021 Minutes

Members Virtually Present:

Committee Chair Philip Reed, Legislators Robert Cantwell, Daniel McBride, Jeremiah Maxon, Robert Ferris, Corey Grant

Present:

County Administrator Robert Hagemann, Deputy Administrator Sarah Baldwin, Chairman of the Board Scott Gray, Secretary Torri Richmire

Others Virtually Present:

Legislator William Johnson, Michael Montigelli, Patrick Jareo, John Peck, Allen Drake, Fire and Emergency Management Coordinator Joseph Plummer, Planning Director Michael Bourcy, Probation Director Kristine Maloney, Highway Superintendent James Lawrence

Chairman Reed called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and noted that the meeting is being conducted under the extraordinary circumstance of a public health emergency (COVID-19), and under Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 202.1; without permitting public in-person access to the meeting, authorizing the meeting to be held partially or completely with members appearing by remote conference call or similar service, and the meeting is being live streamed via the web and recorded, including the participation of the members appearing by remote link.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing Agreement with NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services in Relation to Aid to Prosecution Program and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Maxon and seconded by Legislator Ferris. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Reappropriating Funds from Various Unspent Grants Relative to the Fire and Emergency Management Department and Amending the 2021 County Budget in Relation Thereto and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Cantwell and seconded by Legislator McBride. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Legislator Doldo joined the meeting.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing Shared Services Agreement with NYS Department of Transportation in Relation to Transportation Emergencies and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Ferris and seconded by Legislator Grant. 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 2021 County Budget and Capital Plan and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Cantwell seconded by Legislator Doldo. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing Agreement in Relation to the State Alternatives to Incarceration (Pre-Trial Release) Program Funding and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator McBride seconded by Legislator Ferris. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Credo Community Center for the Provision of Court Ordered Evaluations, Assessments, Treatment and Counseling and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Grant seconded by Legislator Doldo. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing Agreement with NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services in Relation to Aid to Defense Program and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Doldo seconded by Legislator Cantwell. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing Agreement with the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services (Distribution #11) 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 Reappropriating Funds from Various Unspent Homeland Security Grants Relative to the Sheriff's Department and Amending the 2021 County Budget in Relation Thereto and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Ferris seconded by Legislator Doldo. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Reed introduced a resolution Authorizing Inter-Municipal Agreement with the City of Watertown Regarding FY 2020 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Program and Amending the 2021 County Budget in Relation Thereto and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Doldo seconded by Legislator Cantwell. There being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

The Committee approved the minutes of the January 2021 meeting, as written.

County Administrator Hagemann announced for next month that pursuant to a NYS mandate all local governments must prepare a Pandemic Plan to be submitted by April 1. He stated that Jefferson County's plan has been drafted and passed on to unions for review. The document will be introduced to the General Services Committee at their March 16th meeting for any questions, comments and recommendations prior to presenting to the full board. Due to the April 1st deadline and the April Board Session being on the 6th, there will be a Special Board Session at the end of

March to entertain this resolution and another one. The second resolution to be discussed at that special session will be the Criminal Justice Reform Plan which has also been an extensive exercise involving the community. The report has been drafted and will be presented to the community this week and will be introduced at the March 16th General Services Committee for questions, comments and recommendations.

Mr. Hagemann also stated that Joel Lalone, Jefferson Community College, Center for Community Studies, will be presenting at the March General Services Committee meeting the results of their community study done this past year.

In response to a question from Legislator Peck, Legislator Doldo stated that the Public Safety Communications project is near completion and they are finalizing a few issues with Motorola prior to presenting to the full board.

There being no further business of the Committee, on a motion by Legislator Ferris seconded by Legislator Cantwell and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert F. Hagemann Clerk of the Board