

Finance & Rules Committee
November 30, 2021
Minutes

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

Others Present: Legislators Philip Reed, Daniel McBride, John Peck, Jeremiah Maxon, Robert Ferris, Corey Grant, and Anthony Doldo, County Administrator Robert Hagemann, Deputy Administrator Sarah Baldwin, County Attorney David Paulsen, Human Resources Director Valerie Nugent, Confidential Secretary Jill Jones

Chairman Montigelli called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. and offered privilege of the floor, however no one present wished to speak. Chairman Montigelli thanked Committee members for their efforts over the last two years noting that tonight was the last meeting of this Committee for the current term of the Board. The Committee approved the minutes of the November 3rd meeting, as written.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Levying 2022 Taxes and Assessments for Annual Town Budgets 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 Levying the 2022 Consolidated Health District Taxes 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 Levying Returned Delinquent 2021 School Taxes and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Nabywaniec seconded by Legislator Drake and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Levying Returned Delinquent 2021 Village Taxes 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 Directing the Completion of the Tax Rolls and the Execution and Delivery of Warrants 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 Accounts Payable Year End Adjustments to 2021 County Budget 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 Calling for the Organizational Meeting of the 2022-2023 Board of Legislators 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 Levying Hudson River-Black River Regulating District Assessments and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Jareo seconded by Legislator Drake and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Amending the 2021 County Budget and Capital Plan in Relation to the American Rescue Plan Act and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Nabywaniec seconded by Legislator Johnson and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Amending thje 2021 County Budget in Relation to State Retirement Costs 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 Authorizing Agreement Regarding Real Property Tax Foreclosure and Redevelopment of Several Parcels in the Town of Wilna Formerly Constituting the St. Regis Paper Mill 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 Approving Mortgage Tax Report 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 Revising Premium Equivalents for Jefferson County Government Employees Health Benefits Program and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Johnson seconded by Legislator Nabywaniec and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Amending Jefferson County Administrative Policies and Procedures for Management and Management Confidential Employees and

Approving Management Compensation Plan for 2022 and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Johnson seconded by Legislator Calarco and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Authorizing Agreement for One-Stop Operator 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 Authorizing Use of Grant Funds and College Paving Account to match State Aid in Relation to the Jefferson Community College Green Campus Entryway Project 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 Re-Appointing Members to Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Johnson and seconded by Legislator Calarco. Legislator Jareo stated that until a different process is undertaken that is more inclusive to legislators, which has been talked about and put in place but not used, he will be voting no on appointment resolutions. The Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented, with Legislator Jareo opposed.

Administrator Hagemann advised that the Ad Hoc Committee established to address appointments is for new appointments, it does not apply to reappointments of existing members, and he anticipated that Ad Hoc Committee meeting sometime in December to discuss new appointments. Legislator Jareo did not understand that is how things would be handled and said it was not acceptable to him; he felt if it comes before the Board for a vote, the Board should have a say. He noted that some of the appointees have been on the same advisory board for a long time and it should be reviewed.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Approving Appointment and Re-Appointment to the Thousand Islands Bridge Authority 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 2021 County Budget and Capital Plan in Relation to Public Health Computer and Low Band Radio System and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Nabywaniec seconded by Legislator Johnson and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli 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 (Noble Street over West Creek), and Appropriating Funds Therefor 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 said if there are no objections the jurisdictional committee resolutions referred for Finance & Rules approval would be voted on as a block. Legislator Jareo said he would like the first General Services Committee sponsored resolutions discussed separately.

On a motion by Legislator Nabywaniec and seconded by Legislator Johnson, the Committee approved the following General Services Committee sponsored resolution with Legislator Jareo opposed:

- ✓ Amending the 2021 County Budget to Recognize Reserve Funds in the District Attorney's Office

Legislator Jareo said the source of these funds are the Treasury Department's asset forfeiture fund and there is a lot to be concerned about with those kinds of funds. He said assets are seized long before convictions, and he is concerned about distribution to policing and prosecuting entities because it creates an environment of for profit policing and prosecution that he finds ethically/morally repugnant. He has no doubt our District Attorney is doing what she is supposed to and is fabulous at her job, but he said he would not be supporting the resolution.

On a motion by Legislator Drake seconded by Legislator Johnson and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the following General Services Committee sponsored resolutions:

- ✓ Amending the 2021 County Budget - Dispatch
- ✓ Amending the 2021 County Budget in Relation to Recycling & Waste Management
- ✓ Amending the 2021 County Budget in Relation to Sheriff - Corrections

On a motion by Legislator Johnson seconded by Legislator Jareo and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the following Health & Human Services Committee sponsored resolutions:

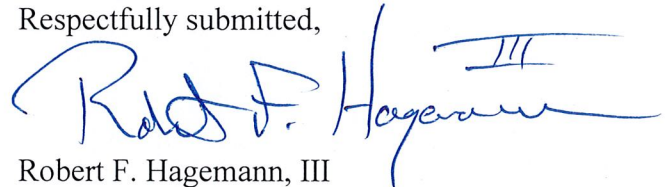
- ✓ Amending the 2021 County Budget Relative to Mental Health Programs and Authorizing Amended Agreements in Relation Thereto
- ✓ Amending the 2021 County Budget in Relation to Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Reopening Schools Grant Award
- ✓ Amending the 2021 County Budget in Relation to COVID-19 Vaccine Response Grant Funding
- ✓ Amending the 2021 County Budget in Relation to Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity COVID-19 Local Health Department Funding

On a motion by Legislator Jareo seconded by Legislator Johnson and unanimously carried, the Committee entered executive session at 6:55 p.m. for the purpose of discussing collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law. The Committee returned to open session at 7:30 p.m. on a motion by Legislator Nabywaniec seconded by Legislator

Johnson and unanimously carried.

There being no further business of the Committee, on a motion by Legislator Nabywaniec seconded by Legislator Johnson and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 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 a distinct "III" at the end.

Robert F. Hagemann, III
Clerk of the Board