

**STEBEN COUNTY FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, August 9, 2016

10:00 a.m.

Legislative Committee Room  
Steuben County Office Building  
Bath, New York

**\*\*MINUTES\*\***

- COMMITTEE:** Gary D. Swackhamer, Vice Chair Kelly H. Fitzpatrick Gary B. Roush  
Brian C. Schu
- STAFF:** Jack K. Wheeler Mitchell Alger Pat Donnelly  
Christine Towner Vince Spagnoletti Hank Chapman  
Tammy Hurd-Harvey Alan Reed Andy Morse  
Wendy Flaitz
- LEGISLATORS:** Carol A. Ferratella K. Michael Hanna Hilda T. Lando  
Steven P. Maio John V. Malter
- ABSENT:** Scott J. Van Etten, Chair
- OTHERS:** Mary Perham

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Swackhamer called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION: APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 12, 2016, MEETING MADE BY MR. SCHU. SECONDED BY MS. FITZPATRICK. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 4-0.**

**III. DEPARTMENT REQUESTS**

- A. Office of Community Services
  - 1. **Suicide Prevention Funding** – Dr. Chapman stated Ardent Solutions helped to form a suicide prevention coalition and acted as the conduit for State funding and revenues from fundraising and other sources. They are no longer active in the suicide prevention coalition and would like to transfer the funding back to us. He stated this is an extension of our department and will be included within our budget. Dr. Chapman requested authorization to accept a total of \$8,202.50 from Ardent Solutions.

**MOTION: AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES TO ACCEPT A TOTAL OF \$8,202.50 IN FUNDING, COMPRISING OF \$3,500 IN OMH GRANT FUNDS AND \$4,702.50 IN OTHER REVENUE, FROM ARDENT SOLUTIONS TO BE USED FOR SUICIDE PREVENTION MADE BY MR. ROUSH. SECONDED BY MS. FITZPATRICK. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 4-0. Resolution Required.**

- B. Public Works
  - 1. **Major Equipment Change** - Mr. Spagnoletti stated the leachate plant has five boilers. This year he included one boiler replacement on his Major Equipment. They have been having some issues with the boilers and he requested authorization to add two additional boilers to the major equipment list for this year. The total cost for all three boilers would be \$80,000. If approved, they will hold off on the purchase of a road tractor until next year.

**MOTION: AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS TO ADD TWO ADDITIONAL BOILERS FOR THE LEACHATE PLANT TO THE MAJOR EQUIPMENT LIST, FOR A TOTAL OF THREE BOILERS FOR A COST OF \$80,000 MADE BY MR. ROUSH. SECONDED BY MS. FITZPATRICK. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 4-0.**

C. Office for the Aging

1. **Lifespan Contract** - Ms. Towner stated after last month's meeting, we received notice of a revision of the Lifespan's Finger Lakes Caregiver Institute grant. This grant funding will be used to expand Alzheimer's disease support in the Southern Tier through collaboration with the Office for the Aging in the region. We will be receiving \$6,000 per year for each of the five years of the grant instead of \$6,000 over the course of five years, as was reported in last month's motion. For the remainder of this year, we will be using \$4,925 for office space rental, program materials for community education, salary and fringe benefits.

**MOTION: AMENDING THE MOTION FROM THE JULY 12, 2016, MEETING AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE FOR THE AGING TO ENTER INTO A NEW CONTRACT WITH LIFESPAN OF GREATER ROCHESTER WHO WILL PROVIDE \$6,000 OF GRANT FUNDING FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, PER YEAR THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020 TO EXPAND DEMENTIA SUPPORT SERVICES IN THE SOUTHERN TIER MADE BY MRS. LANDO. SECONDED BY MR. MAIO. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.**

D. Finance

1. **Monthly Reports** – Mr. Swackhamer asked why there are three different prices for the Public Works vehicles? Mr. Morse replied we used to have a state contract for a given vehicle. Now we are using the state program, where we put out a solicitation and we have up to 40 different dealers to choose from. We have the option to accept a vehicle that is on the lot and we can modify the specifications. Additionally, if a dealer does not have what we want, they will order it direct from the factory.

Mr. Swackhamer asked why are we purchasing 42 Glocks for the Sheriff's Office? Mr. Wheeler replied they are updating their weapons. These are for road patrol deputies, some court security, and the corrections officers doing transports.

2. **Town Use of Online Credit Card System** – Mrs. Hurd-Harvey stated the committee recently approved us accepting online credit card payments and we thought we could offer this option to those towns that currently use our software. This would enable residents within those towns to have the option of paying their current year taxes online. We are researching Town Law to make sure we are able to do that. Presuming that we can, she requested authorization to offer that service to those towns.

**MOTION: AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE TO OFFER TO THOSE TOWNS CURRENTLY USING THE COUNTY'S SOFTWARE, THE OPTION OF ALLOWING THEIR RESIDENTS TO UTILIZE ONLINE PAYMENTS TO PAY FOR CURRENT YEAR TAXES, CONTINGENT UPON NO CONFLICT WITH TOWN LAW MADE BY MS. FITZPATRICK. SECONDED BY MR. ROUSH. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 4-0.**

**MOTION: TO ADJOURN REGULAR SESSION AND RECONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO PUBLIC OFFICERS' LAW, ARTICLE 7§ 105.1.H. THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION, SALE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY OR THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF SECURITIES, OR SALE OR EXCHANGE OF SECURITIES HELD BY SUCH PUBLIC BODY, BUT ONLY WHEN PUBLICITY WOULD SUBSTANTIALLY AFFECT THE VALUE THEREOF MADE BY MR. SCHU. SECONDED BY MR. ROUSH. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 4-0.**

**MOTION: AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE TO OFFER FOR PRIVATE SALE, A PORTION OF TAX MAP PARCEL # 299.14-05-034.000, SITUATE IN THE TOWN OF CORNING, TO ROBERT A. MORSE FOR \$100.00 PLUS A DEED FEE OF \$305.00 MADE BY MR. ROUSH. SECONDED BY MS. FITZPATRICK. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 4-0.**

**MOTION: AUTHORIZING THE COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE TO RECEIVE A NON-REFUNDABLE UNDERTAKING OF \$4,362.00 FROM JUDITH EDDY, PAYMENT TO BE RECEIVED BY THE COUNTY FINANCE DEPARTMENT NOT LATER THAN THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, 2016, TO RESTORE MS. EDDY'S STATUS AS AN ELIGIBLE BUYER WITH RESPECT TO PARCEL #37 IN THE 2016 TAX SALE; IF SAID NON-REFUNDABLE UNDERTAKING OF \$4,362.00 IS NOT RECEIVED BY THE RECITED DATE, THE COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE IS AUTHORIZED TO OFFER THE SAID PARCEL #37 TO THE BACK-BIDDER FOR \$5,750.00 PLUS RECORDING COSTS MADE BY MR. SCHU. SECONDED BY MR. ROUSH. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 4-0.**

**MOTION: TO ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION MADE BY MR. ROUSH. SECONDED BY MR. SCHU. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 4-0.**

**MOTION: TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. ROUSH. SECONDED BY MR. SCHU. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 4-0.**

Respectfully Submitted by

Amanda L. Chapman  
Deputy Clerk  
Steuben County Legislature

**\*\*NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED FOR\*\*  
Tuesday, September 13, 2016  
Legislative Committee Room  
10:00 a.m.**

**Please send agenda items to the Clerk of the Legislature's Office  
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Wednesday, September 7, 2016**