

**STEUBEN COUNTY FINANCE COMMITTEE**

*Special Meeting*  
*Friday, May 22, 2020*  
*9:45 a.m.*  
*Via Teleconference*

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

<b>COMMITTEE:</b>	Gary D. Swackhamer Chair Robert V. Nichols	Kelly H. Fitzpatrick, Vice Chair Gary B. Roush	John V. Malter
<b>STAFF:</b>	Jack K. Wheeler Jennifer Prossick Cody Ryan Tina Goodwin Leslie Drum	Christopher Brewer Andy Morse Kathy Muller Tammy Hurd-Harvey David Hopkins	Brenda Mori Bill Caudill Wendy Jordan Vicky Olin Amy Dlugos
<b>LEGISLATORS:</b>	Scott J. Van Etten K. Michael Hanna Steven P. Maio Paul Van Caeselele	Robin K. Lattimer Jeffrey P. Horton Frederick G. Potter	Carol A. Ferratella Hilda T. Lando Brian C. Schu
<b>OTHERS:</b>	Mary Perham		

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Swackhamer called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

**II. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**A. County Manager**

1. **Extending the Additional One Percent (1%) Sales Tax for Steuben County** – Mr. Wheeler stated in January you authorized requesting legislation to the Assembly and the Senate increasing the 1 percent sales tax sharing \$40,000 for each of the two cities and \$40,000 to be shared with the towns and villages. When the New York State Legislature met at the end of March they adopted an omnibus bill which kept all the old figures and the increase was not in the bill. He recently spoke to Assemblyman Palmesano and Senator O’Mara who indicated they are willing to introduce new legislation including the increase. Much is still up in the air. If you want to go to what you had originally requested, this would be the mechanism to do that, however, there is no guarantee that it will go through.

Mr. Malter asked if this goes through, are we then obligated to pay the extra money or will that be based on the sales tax we are collecting? Mr. Wheeler replied we are obligated to pay the one percent. The three percent is where that can be reduced based on the actual collections. Yes, we are required to make the one percent payments. Mr. Malter stated if the sales tax revenues are a lot less then we are hurting, money wise, the County. Mr. Wheeler stated it would come out of the County’s share and that could reduce the three percent allocation.

**MOTION: REQUESTING THE ADOPTION OF SENATE BILL NO. S.8345 AND ASSEMBLY BILL NO. A.10416 EXTENDING THE ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT (1%) SALES TAX FOR STEUBEN COUNTY MADE BY MS. FITZPATRICK. SECONDED BY MR. ROUSH. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 5-0. Resolution Required.**

**MOTION: TO ADJOURN MADE BY MS. FITZPATRICK. SECONDED BY MR. NICHOLS. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.**

Respectfully Submitted by Amanda L. Chapman, Deputy Clerk, Steuben County Legislature