

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2019
1:30 P.M.

PRESENT: D. Pangrazio, D. Knapp, D. Fanaro, E. Gott, W. Wadsworth, D. LeFeber, D. Mahus, M. Falk, I. Coyle, A. Ellis, S. Hillier, M. Crowe, J. Gunther-Intern

Ways & Means Chair Dan Pangrazio asked County Attorney Shannon Hillier to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

COUNTY ATTORNEY – SHANNON HILLIER/BILL BACON

Action Item(s) To Be Reported

1. INTRODUCTION OF LOCAL LAW A-2019 AUTHORIZING CONVEYANCE OF EASEMENT TO KINGS HARBOR VIEW ASSOCIATES LLC

The County Attorney reviewed the map showing the easement request for the local law. Kings Harbor View Associates owns what used to be the County Poor House and they will be leasing space to Amber Lantern Brewing. The purpose is to not have the easement area be the main entrance into the facility but to ensure that a proper easement is in place if people exit out of the parking area around the building. Ms. Hillier does see where there may be an issue with maintenance of that area for snow fall as the County will only be maintaining the area during our building hours of operation.

Motion: Mr. Fanaro moved and Mr. Gott seconded to approve the foregoing resolution Carried.

2. PROVIDING FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. A-2019 AUTHORIZING CONVEYANCE OF EASEMENT TO KINGS HARBOR VIEW ASSOCIATES LLC

WHEREAS, there has been duly presented and introduced at a meeting of this Board, held on April 24, 2019, a proposed Local Law entitled Local Law No. A-2019 Authorizing Conveyance Of Easement To Kings Harbor View Associates LLC, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that a public hearing shall be held on the said proposed Local Law by this Board on the 8th day of May, 2019 at 1:35 p.m. in the Board of Supervisors Assembly Room in the Livingston County Government Center in the Village of Geneseo, New York and at least six (6) days notice shall be given by posting thereof on the bulletin board of the Government Center in this County and by publishing such notice at least one (1) time in the official newspapers of the County as provided by law.

Motion: Mr. LeFeber moved and Mr. Gott seconded to approve the foregoing resolution..... Carried.

REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES – BILL FULLER

Pre-approved Informational Item(s) To Be Reported

1. OPTION TO APPOINT BAR MEMBERS-Mr. Fuller reviewed the changes to the Real Property Tax Law in the Governor's budget; most notably RPTL 1537, which is the shared services where the towns can enter into agreements with the County. A provision was adopted where towns can enter into an agreement to have a County Board of Assessment review and Mr. Fuller will be sending out a full write up for this change. In the past, you had to be a resident of the municipality that you served the Board Assessment Review on. Now you just need to be a member of the County. Towns will need to pass a resolution with a permissive referendum. This is a good change. The last two years, we had two boards that could not get a quorum and hearings had to be adjourned. The County cannot act without this agreement in place. If the resolution is passed, towns would not be bound to use the County, you could still use your standing board. This is a 5G shared services. Mr. Fuller is recommending this for a good insurance for the future. There was discussion on whether a County Member can cover for an absent town board member. Mr. Fuller is awaiting an answer to this question. There was also discussion on whether towns can appoint a person from outside of that municipality. There was discussion how grievances are handled if towns do have an agreement with the County. We have about one year to make a decision. The Star exemption program also changed this year. If you bought or sold after March 2, 2015, you can no longer be in the exemption. You have to get the STAR personal income tax credit. It is the same amount if you had the exemption. The Governor changed it this year and the basic STAR income requirement for the exemption has been dropped from \$500,000 to \$250,000. This

has eliminated a surprising amount of people. Another thing with that is every year you could earn no more than 2% increase over the year before in your savings, they capped the savings. If you are in the exemption program, the Governor has capped the savings at last years' level permanently. If you are in the credit program it is still the 2% annual increase.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – IAN COYLE

Action Item(s) To Be Reported

1. APPROVING ABSTRACT OF CLAIMS #4B-APRIL 24, 2019

Motion: Mr. Mahus moved and Mr. Fanaro seconded to approve the foregoing resolution.....Carried.

2. AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF FUNDS – HIGHWAY

RESOLVED, that the Livingston County Treasurer is authorized and directed to make the requested transfers per the Budget Transfer Request Forms on file in the Office of the Clerk of the Board which have been approved by the Livingston County Administrator.

Mr. Coyle reviewed the transfer for approval

Motion: Mr. Wadsworth moved and Mr. Knapp seconded to approve the foregoing resolution Carried.

3. AMENDING 2019 LIVINGSTON COUNTY BUDGET – HIGHWAY (2) & SHERIFF

RESOLVED, that the Livingston County Treasurer is authorized and directed to make the requested Budget Amendments per the Budget Amendment entries, which have been approved by the Livingston County Administrator.

Mr. Coyle reviewed the amendments for approval.

Motion: Mr. LeFeber moved and Mr. Mahus seconded to approve the foregoing resolutionCarried.

4. AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO SIGN THE FOLLOWING CONTRACT FOR LIVINGSTON COUNTY: BONADIO & CO., LLP

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Livingston County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to sign the following contract for Livingston County, according to the term designated, subject to review by the County Attorney and County Administrator:

<u>Contractor</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Bonadio & Co., LLP	N/A	\$31,150.00

171 Sully's Trail, Suite 201
Pittsford, NY 14534

For: IT & HIPAA Risk Assessments, external penetration tests & internal/external vulnerability testing for information security

<u>Funding Source</u>	<u>Local Share</u>	<u>Budgeted?</u>
County Budget	100%	Yes

Mr. Coyle explained that this contract was forwarded from our Compliance Committee, of which Mr. Pangrazio sits upon. The contract is for an updated assessment for our IT and HIPAA privacy and what they call external penetration testing, cyber security and vulnerability testing for information security. This will be a shared expense partially with the nursing facility to the corresponding percentage. Budgeted funds are available in both the enterprise fund and the County's Risk Retention Fund. This has been a year in the making in terms of what the cost would be and exactly what they would do. This produces a report that has lots of monetary items tied to it to do this or that program. It will then be up to the County go through that question and answer process with the Compliance Committee to determine what is worth the fiscal end. Multiple counties have been hit with IT breaches, the biggest one being the election breach that was part of the recently released Mueller report. This is money well spent. We have so much protected information from Medicaid being a provider and a payer and also the fact that we are our own insurance company; we have a ton of provider information. Mr. Pangrazio explained that we have to do this audit otherwise Medicaid can slow down our reimbursement.

Motion: Mr. Knapp moved and Mr. Fanaro seconded to approve the foregoing resolution.....Carried.

5. AMENDING THE 2019 SALARY SCHEDULE-DISTRICT ATTORNEY

WHEREAS, the State of New York mandates the salary amount for the Livingston County District

Attorney, and

WHEREAS, the State Judicial Compensation Commission has increased the District Attorney salary amount, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 2019 Department Head Salary Schedule is amended as follows:

District Attorney

Set the 2019 salary for the District Attorney to \$200,355.00 effective April 1, 2019.

Mr. Coyle reviewed that this is another state mandate and we must comply.

Motion: Mr. Gott moved and Mr. Mahus seconded to approve the foregoing resolution..... Carried.

Pre-approved Informational Item(s) To Be Reported

1. Sales Tax Update-Mr. Coyle reported that we are up significantly by 7.5% but we have no idea if there will be any prior period adjustments. We have been told that we are already starting to see internet sales tax revenue even before they pass legislation.
2. State Budget Update- There has been no update on the casino funds. The Seneca Nation is now trying to take it to the federal government. There was some more money funneled in for the shared services. We are still lacking signatures from some villages and we will need to make some visits if they are not received by next week. Mr. Coyle thinks we will be one of the first to submit for reimbursement, but it's a fixed pot of money and it is first come first served. If a Suffolk County comes in with their plan, the sheer size of their budget size and only say \$100M available and they have a \$85M request, the funding will go fast.
3. Misc. Updates-We have seven applicants for the Grants and Public Information Coordinator position. Two have been forwarded to Mr. Coyle five have been disapproved or conditionally disapproved pending more information. There is a tentative acceptance from the candidate for the Deputy CNR Director position. Mr. Coyle reminded the Committee that this position was discussed with regard to the residency requirement.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion made by Mr. Mahus and seconded by Mr. Fanaro that the Board adjourn and reconvene and All Supervisors and County Administrator Ian M. Coyle remain present. Carried.

Mr. Gott moved and Mr. Wadsworth seconded that the Committee reconvened in regular session. The following report was presented.

No action taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Gott moved and Mr. Mahus seconded to adjourn the meeting at 2:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele R. Rees, IIMC-CMC
Clerk of the Board