

AGENDA  
October 12, 2011 5:00 p.m.

Vice Chairman Thompson called the meeting to order.

Roll call was taken. PRESENT –Alan Grattidge, Philip C. Barrett, Anita Daly, Richard Lucia, Mary Ann Johnson, Jean Raymond, George J. Hargrave, Richard Rowland, Arthur M. Wright, Mindy Wormuth, Paul Sausville, Thomas Richardson, Frank Thompson, Preston L. Jenkins, Jr., John Collyer, Thomas N. Wood, III, Matthew E. Veitch, Joanne Dittes Yepsen, Edward D. Kinowski, Arthur J. Johnson - 20.  
ABSENT – Patricia Southworth, John Lawler, Willard H. Peck - 3.

On a motion by Matt Veitch, seconded by John Collyer, the minutes of the September 14, 2011 meeting were approved.

Spencer Hellwig reviewed the following:

**EQUALIZATION AND ASSESSMENT**

Mr. Hellwig said there will be two resolutions out of Equalization and Assessment. The first one he said is a tender offer in the Town of Providence and the second one is to convey the parcels sold at the September auction to the successful bidders.

**LEGISLATIVE AND RESEARCH**

Mr. Hellwig said there will be one resolution in support of proposed legislation to implement a gradual state take over of Medicaid costs beginning in 2012 and ending in 2019 at which point the State will assume all cost related to the Medicaid program.

**BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS**

Mr. Hellwig said that under Buildings and Grounds there is a contract for design services with McFarland Johnson who will be doing the engineering work for the airfield lighting and apron reconstruction which are federally funded projects under FAA.

**PERSONNEL & INSURANCE COMMITTEE**

Mr. Hellwig said there are two items under Personnel and Insurance with the first one being an amendment to the Policy and Procedures Manual to reflect the changes made by the Personnel Committee part of which includes ID Badges for County Employees and the second resolution will be appointing Chad Cooke to the position of Temporary Executive Director of the Sewer District from November 14<sup>th</sup> through the remainder of the year of 2011 and then as the full time Director effective January 1<sup>st</sup> of 2012.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

Mr. Hellwig said there are two resolutions and the first one is naming the Chamber of Commerce as the Tourism Promotion Agency which allows them to apply for additional State funding for tourism activities in the County and the second item is to authorize the Planning Department to proceed with right of way acquisition which is necessary for the extension of the Zim Smith Trail to be extended from Coons Crossing to the City Mechanicville.

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

Mr. Hellwig said that under Public Safety there are two items. He said the first is a hold harmless agreement allowing the County Administrator to enter into those agreements to meet with the requirements of some of the entities that are hosting the events to hold them harmless in the event that an accident should occur during the adoption clinics being held by the Animal Shelter; and, the second item is to approve a contract with the low bidder for repair work at the County's fire training buildings.

**PUBLIC WORKS**

Mr. Hellwig said that under Public Works there will be two resolutions. He said one is the transfer of funds from Fund #2 to Fund #3 to cover shortfalls in the fuel account for diesel fuel and the second is reauthorization of a resolution that was approved by the Board last year to approve an 800 foot extension of County Road 46 in order to obtain an additional CHIPS funding from the State.

### LAW AND FINANCE

Mr. Hellwig said under Law and Finance, the first resolution is to revise the weighted vote based on the 2010 Census. He said the revisions were approved by the Census Committee back in July and based on the other steps that have taken place preceding this resolution the County is now ready to move forward with revising the weighted vote for each supervisor based on the official Census results.

He said that from the Sewer Commission there are two resolutions and the first one is to ratify an emergency contract based on the failure of a heat exchanger in an incinerator at the treatment plant and the second one has to do with additional work that is required as a result of the district and the engineering firm currently employed by the district identifying deficiencies by Delaware Engineering as a result of those additional problems it will require additional work to be done by this firm.

Mr. Hellwig said there will be a resolution to accept funding for the Board of Election to cover the costs of physical changes that will be made at polling places to improve access for persons with disabilities.

He said the next resolution is to authorize interagency transfers to close out the 2011 budget and allow the administrator to move surplus funds from one department to cover deficit in others and at the end of that cycle a summary report will be given to the Law and Finance Committee that will show the sum and total of those transfers.

Mr. Hellwig said that the final item is to authorize a renewal of the Info Quick contract for the County Clerk's Office which covers the expense of computer hardware and software, digitizing services as well as maintenance of the computer network in the Clerk's Office as well as scanning of images to add to the data base of documents from 1987 and earlier.

Vice Chairman Thompson acknowledged Tom Richardson. Mr. Richardson said everyone will be receiving invitation to Mechanicville's 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Economic Summit which is going to be on November 17<sup>th</sup> and hoping Supervisors will make the time to come that evening. He mentioned that Anita Daly will be one of the speakers.

Vice Chairman Thompson acknowledged Anita Daly. Mrs. Daly said she wanted to share an item from the Capital Region Economic Development Council. She said we are coming to crunch time with applications which are due October 31<sup>st</sup> and Saratoga County will have at least one application that we will bring forward and we are looking to support other applications. She said the purpose in making an announcement to you today is there is quite a bit of opportunity for grant monies to be received and if anyone in any community has a project that they are looking to do, we really encourage you to look harder at it and to perhaps to speak with Tom and I about it. She stated that if you can partner with another group or municipality to strengthen an application to the extent that we can we will be more than willing to do so. Mrs. Daly said to remember this is a Capital Region so you will probably here her speak of Saratoga County supporting an application from another city and we need to work together so an opportunity is not missed.

On a motion by Preston Jenkins, seconded by Tom Richardson the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Hargrave, Clerk