

AGENDA
May 9, 2012 5:00 p.m.

Vice Chairman Grattidge called the meeting to order.

Roll call was taken. PRESENT – Patricia Southworth, 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, Daniel Lewza, Thomas Richardson, Willard H. Peck, John Collyer, Thomas N. Wood, III, Matthew E. Veitch, Joanne Dittes Yepsen, Edward D. Kinowski, John Lawler 21. ABSENT –Preston L. Jenkins, Jr., Arthur J. Johnson 2.

On a motion by Mr. Collyer seconded by Mr. Richardson, the minutes of the April 11th meeting were unanimously approved.

Chairman Wood made a presentation to Joe Ritchey. Mr. Ritchey retired from the County effective May 10th and was given a proclamation. Mr. Ritchey thanked the Board.

Spencer Hellwig, County Administrator, reviewed the following:

“Under E & A we have one resolution which is a tender offer from the Village of Schuylerville. The village will acquire the property for the development of a new village park.

Under the Veterans’ Committee, there are two resolutions. Essentially both of these resolutions were home rule requests. One was for the renaming the Route 9P Bridge over the Fish Creek as the Saratoga County Veterans Memorial Bridge and the second is a renaming of a section of county highway as the Saratoga County Veterans Memorial Highway. Both home rule requests were approved by the Board and sent down to the State for approval. They have both now received bill numbers from Senate and Assembly which need to be added and resubmitted.

Under Personnel and Insurance we have two proposed amendments to the Compensation Schedule. The first is as a result of a recent retirement of the Sewer District’s Administrative Assistant. The position will be reclassified as a Confidential Secretary with a base salary of \$38,334 which is approximately \$8,000 less than the Administrative Assistant’s base salary that is being replaced by this new position. The second amendment included in the resolution is to insure compliance with the State’s Judiciary Law which sets the District Attorney’s salaries at a rate not less than that of the County Court Judge. The salary adjustment was triggered by the adoption of the 2012-2013 OCA budget and will result in an additional \$2,576 being paid to the District Attorney this year which will be covered through additional State aid.

Under Economic Development, there is one resolution supporting a rail service application that’s currently pending before the Surface Transportation Board. The inclusion of this additional railway has already been endorsed by Warren and Essex County’s as well as the Town of Corinth.

Under Legislative and Research, one resolution declaring May 15, 2012 to be “Mayday for Mandate Relief” which is a renewed declaration that the financial burden of the State’s mandates has not been adequately addressed.

Under Buildings, one resolution which is the approval of interim rules and regulations that were prepared by McFarland Johnson who is the County’s Airport consultant. These will be in place until such time that the permanent rules are approved by the FAA and a public hearing is held before the ultimate approval of the Board.

Under Public Health, they are recommending amendments to Maplewood’s collection policy. As you may recall last September the policy was revised and over the past year the Committee has identified additional changes that are going to improve the way that fees are collected from residents and admissions are approved.

Public Safety – three resolutions – The first one is a renewal of a contract with the Village of Corinth for the Sheriff to continue to provide law enforcement services. There will be no change to the contract amount which

is \$298,800 based on the fact that the labor negotiations for the highway patrol are ongoing. The second resolution is for authorization to enter into an agreement with Martin Deposition to provide stenographic services for the County. And the third item is authorization for fee increases for fees charged by Forensic Medical Services for autopsy, death certificate and external examinations that are performed at the direction of the County Coroner's Office as well as the District Attorney's Office.

Under Social Programs we have five resolutions essentially house keeping that involve acceptance of Workforce Investment Act Funding; in addition, authorizing the contracts with the agencies that provide various job services. We are also asking for the Board's approval for the Summer Youth Employment Program to accept the funding and to amend the budget. The program does have funding available this year to provide employment opportunities to approximately 80 youths. The third resolution is renewal of a contract with Captain Youth and Family Services which is essentially pass through funding to provide services in helping youth to prepare for employment with obtaining GED, filling out job applications as well as writing a resume. The funding does require that the County contract with an outside agency to provide this service. We are also asking for the Board's approval of the Workforce Investment Board's budget which has already been endorsed by the Workforce Investment Board which is made up of 38 separate individuals which include representatives from Warren, Washington and Saratoga Counties. And the final resolution is a contract with J.J. Young to provide not only job training services but administrative services to the Workforce Investment Board.

There will also be a Chairman's appointment brought to the Board to fill a vacancy on the Sewer Commission.

Under Law and Finance there will be one resolution to initiate eminent domain proceedings for a piece of real property located on the shore of Saratoga Lake which is one of the nine pump stations that are currently undergoing design work for an upgrade. Access is going to be needed to complete the design work as well ongoing maintenance so that action is currently awaiting appraisal by a realtor so a value can be established on what an appropriate fee can be.

On a motion by Mr. Lucia, seconded by Mrs. Johnson the agenda was unanimously adopted as recited by the County Administrator.

Vice Chairman Grattidge acknowledged Mr. Peck. Mr. Peck asked the members of Public Safety to see him before leaving as he would like to schedule a meeting and would like to see what worked for the members.

On a motion by Mrs. Wormuth, seconded by Mr. Wright the meeting was unanimously adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Hargrave, Clerk