

Buildings and Grounds Committee Minutes
August 13, 2012 – 3:00 p.m.

Present: Chairman Rowland; Supervisors Hargrave, Jenkins, Lucia, Lewza, Wright, Grattidge, Southworth, Wood; Ryan Moore, Mgmt. Analyst; Diane Brown, Maplewood Manor; Karen Levison, Public Health; Keith Mann, Wilton; Bill Benosky, Public Works; Jason Kemper, Planning; Roger Schiera, Bill Fruci, Elections; Robert Wilcox, Steve Dorsey, County Attorney; Jeremy McDonald, Guth-DeConzo Consulting Engineers; Pat Reed, League of Women Voters; Press.

Chairman Rowland called the meeting to order and welcomed all in attendance.

On a motion made by Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Lucia the minutes of the July 9, 2012 meeting were approved unanimously.

Mr. Rowland said a summary of a report has been received on Maplewood Manor's cogeneration plant from Mr. McDonald of Guth-DeConzo Consulting Engineers. Mr. McDonald said, in summary the plant is not performing well. He said gas and electric rates are down considerably, so the lower costs to help justify the cogeneration plant are not there. The recommendation is to reconnect to National Grid, and to decommission the Co-generation plant, and to resell the engines to recoup some of the investment.

A motion was made by Mr. Lucia, seconded by Mr. Lewza to approve authorizing a budget amendment and consultant agreement with Guth-DeConzo Consulting Engineers, P.C. to provide engineering services in an amount not to exceed \$20,000 to decommission the Maplewood Manor Co-generation Plant and reconnect the facility to National Grid to provide electric service. Unanimous.

A motion was made by Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Lewza to authorize a budget amendment and the Chair of the Board to execute all documents/agreements necessary for National Grid to provide electric service to Maplewood Manor in an amount not to exceed \$20,000. Unanimous.

Mr. Benosky distributed pictures of a building located on reforest property in the town of Moreau that is no longer used by the Department of Public Works and has become a vandalism problem. A request was made to demolish the property and remove the building.

A motion was made by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Lucia to authorize the demolition and removal of a building from county reforest property on CR 24/Fawn Road in the Town of Moreau. Unanimous. (Committee approval only)

Mr. Rowland said with the construction adjacent to the Public Health Nursing building a problem has developed with parking. A request was made to install a "Parking for County Business Only" sign at the Woodlawn office building.

A motion was made by Mr. Lewza, seconded by Mr. Jenkins to approve a request by Public Health Nursing for a "Parking for County Business Only" sign at the Woodlawn Office building. Unanimous.

A request was made by the Board of Elections to make use of the 40 McMaster Street Building Lobby and/or other meeting room as a Town of Ballston Election Day Polling Place. The request is for use on Tuesday, November 6th, 5:15 a.m. – 9:30 p.m. as well as for future Election Day use. Mr. Fruci said redistricting took place this year where the Village of Ballston and the portion that falls into the Town of Ballston being put into the 21st Congressional District, so there will be one district in the town of Ballston that is going to be in a different Congressional District. By doing that, District 1 and 7 had to be looked at to encompass the portion in the Town of Ballston that touched the Village lines. He said instead of having those people now go to the town hall and vote, it was requested to create a place here in the Village for them to vote in addition to the current place, Doubleday Woods. The amount of people now will be too great to put them all in Doubleday Woods, he said. The county complex would be for district 7.

The committee decided that the Board Committee Room would be used for the polling place at the county complex.

A motion was made by Mr. Lucia, seconded by Mr. Hargrave to make use of the 40 McMaster Street Board of Supervisors Committee Room as a Town of Ballston Election Day Polling Place. The request is for use on Tuesday, November 6, 2012 between 5:14 a.m. and 9:30 p.m., as well as for future Election Day use. Unanimous.

On a motion made by Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Lewza the meeting was moved to Executive Session for the purpose of Litigation. Unanimous.

On a motion made by Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Lucia the meeting was reopened to regular session.

No action was taken.

A motion was made by Mr. Wright, seconded by Mr. Hargrave to move the settlement of litigation to the Law and Finance Committee for a decision. Unanimous.

On a motion made by Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Lucia the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Sansom