

Buildings and Grounds Committee Minutes
November 4, 2013 – 2:30 p.m.

Present: Chairman Wright; Supervisors Barrett, Hargrave, Lewza, Lucia, Raymond, Sausville and Collyer; Ryan Moore, Mgmt. Analyst; Steven Dorsey, County Attorney; Keith Manz, Tom Speziale, Public Works; Ed Tremblay, Emergency Services.

Chairman Wright 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 October 7, 2013 meeting were approved unanimously.

Mr. Manz said the request for a 2% increase per year for five years for the Law Library Lease in Saratoga Springs City Hall was approved by the City Council.

A motion was made by Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Lewza to approve a resolution to approve a Law Library Lease in Saratoga Springs City Hall, beginning 1/1/14, with the following provisions: 2% increase per year for five years with one five year extension. The current lease expires on 12/31/13. Unanimous.

Mr. Dorsey said last year Supervisor Wood appointed an Emergency Action Plan Committee that has been working for the past year to try to come up with ways to improve building security and employee safety. He said the proposed Local Law is modeled after local laws in other counties. Washington County recently amended their Local Law, which they have had since 2007, to include dangerous instruments in addition to dangerous weapons.

Mr. Dorsey said the Local Law would include a penalty of 100 days in jail and a \$500 fine and would allow the Board to pass a resolution to ban someone from the building.

Mr. Dorsey said the exceptions would be:

1. A police officer or peace officer authorized to use the same while acting within the scope of employment.
2. Government employee or licensed security guard authorized or required by employment or office to possess the same while acting within the scope of such employment or office.
3. A person in the military service of the State of New York or the United States when duly authorized to possess the same and acting within the scope of such military service.
4. A County employee who works at the County Airport or an employee of the Fixed Based Operator at the County Airport who is authorized by State and Federal license or permit

to use shotguns, rifles and pyrotechnic devices (cracker shells, hand held screamer/banger devices to engage in wildlife mitigation in or about the Airport premises.

5. A person who is the holder of a valid permit to carry a concealed weapon on their person.

A motion was made by Mr. Lewza, seconded by Ms. Raymond, to approve and set a public hearing for a Local Law Prohibiting Entry into County Buildings by Persons with Dangerous Weapons and Instruments. Unanimous.

Mr. Manz said the move of the Department of Mental Health went smoothly and they are up and operational.

Ms. Raymond asked if there was any communication with the landlord on Geyser Road with regard to the lease. Mr. Dorsey said, no. Ms. Raymond asked that this be of a high priority, as she does not like the idea of paying rent on vacant space. She said if an agreement can't be reached to end the lease then the county should look into subletting. Mr. Manz said he would reach out to Mr. Lehr and report back to the committee.

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

Respectfully submitted,
Chris Sansom