

Agenda Session  
November 12, 2014 5:00 p.m.

Vice Chairman Veitch called the meeting to order.

Roll call was taken. PRESENT – Alan Grattidge, Philip C. Barrett, Anita Daly, Richard Lucia, Preston Allen, Jean Raymond, Paul Lent, Paul Lunde, Arthur Wright, Kevin Tollisen, Paul Sausville, Daniel Lewza, Thomas Richardson, Preston L. Jenkins, Jr., John Collyer, Thomas N. Wood, III, Matthew E. Veitch, Peter Martin, Edward D. Kinowski, Arthur J. Johnson – 20. ABSENT - Patrick Ziegler, Willard H. Peck, John Lawler - 3.

On a motion by Mr. Lucia, seconded by Mr. Collyer the minutes of the October 15, 2014 meeting were unanimously approved.

Mr. Hellwig presented the following:

EQUALIZATION & ASSESSMENT

Deletion from the tax rolls, a parcel located in the City of Saratoga Springs. This is the result of an assessor error.

Amendment to the Procedures and Policies manual for the Equalization and Assessment Committee to essentially allow industrial development agencies, public authorities, and local development corporations to enjoy the same benefits not for profits and municipalities have in terms of being able to make purchases of foreclosed properties.

PERSONNEL

Authorizing the renewal of the County's medical and prescription health insurance.

Authorizing the renewal of the dental coverages for active employees.

Authorizing the insurance policy that is used to pay for retirees that are Medicare eligible.

Approving 2012-2018 collective bargaining agreement that has been negotiated with the Deputy Sheriff's PBA that was voted on and approved by the PBA and now needs to be ratified and approved by the Board as well.

Amendment to the Compensation Plan to create one (1) position of Early Intervention Program Manager who will be responsible for the oversight of the Early Intervention Program in Public Health Nursing.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Authorizing a revenue contract with G&T Enterprises for a timber harvest on two county-owned parcels in the Town of Corinth.

Designating the Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce as the Tourism Promotion Agency for the County.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS / PUBLIC SAFETY

Authorization for a lease agreement with Wilton Mall, LLC as well as an inter-municipal agreement with the Town of Wilton to cover the costs associated with leasing space at the Mall for a new Sheriff's substation.

## PUBLIC SAFETY

Accepting \$72,500 2014 Homeland Security Grant which is the balance of a \$290,000 grant from which only \$217,500 was accepted last month by Emergency Services. The Sheriff will be using this 25% portion of that grant to cover Law Enforcement and Terrorism Prevention activities within the Department.

Accepting \$165,862 Homeland Security Grant/Public Safety Answering Points which will be used to cover costs in the Sheriff's Department relative to upgrades for Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP's).

Accepting \$587,162 NYS Office of Homeland Security for equipment and system upgrades to the Public Safety Answering Points as part of a larger consolidation initiative for this network that includes the County of Saratoga, City of Saratoga Springs, City of Mechanicville, and the Town of Waterford.

Authorization to enter into a major contract with Albany Medical Center to cover an assortment of costs that are incurred by the Coroner's Office as part of her work relative to autopsies and unattended deaths. Typical services include toxicology, laboratory testing and x-ray's.

## PUBLIC HEALTH

Renewal of a grant from the State of New York for the Children With Special Health Care Needs. The \$84,000 funding will cover the grant cycle for the next three (3) years.

Accept additional aid from the NYS Department of Health in the amount of \$1,133 for the Children With Special Healthcare Needs program. This funding will be used by the Department to update the guides to provide information to the families and individuals that are receiving services under that program

An agreement not to exceed \$30,000 to cover staffing shortages at Maplewood in the nursing area, Certified Nursing Aides, LPN's and RN positions on an as needed basis.

## SOCIAL PROGRAMS

Approval/adoption of the 2015 Annual Implementation Plan for the Office for the Aging and authorization to enter into subcontracts that need to be in place to provide the services that the seniors are receiving from the Department.

Authorization for a lease agreement for a van for senior transportation in the Office for the Aging.

## LAW & FINANCE

Authorization of a contract with Trinity Construction, Inc. who was the lowest bidder for work to be done on two of the main sewage pumps at the Sewer District's treatment facility.

Approval of an engineering agreement with GHD Consulting Services, Inc. who will be looking at various alternatives to deal with the solids at the facility in light of the facility's incinerator being shut down to make a determination on how to move forward.

Authorization to move money from the Highway Fund to the Machinery Fund to cover anticipated expenses that will exceed the money that is currently available in Fund 3. This comes at no additional cost to the County; we are merely moving money from one fund to another.

Establishing the Saratoga County Character First Program Trust and Agency Fund which will be set up by the County Treasurer in which the funds that were appropriated in this year's budget will be placed to pay future claims by individuals that participated in the essay contest this year and gave presentations to the Board and will be used to provide \$500 scholarships conditioned upon proper documents by the student before entering college.

Adopting the 2015 Saratoga County Budget (TO BE TABLED).

Appropriating amounts finally set forth in the 2015 Saratoga County Budget (TO BE TABLED).

Setting December 3, 2014 at 5:30 pm in the County Board Room as the date, time and place for the public hearing on the revised tentative 2015 Saratoga County Budget.

Approval of the 2015 Tax Bill Flyer. This flyer provides details on State Mandated programs and the impact they have in terms of property taxes within the County's levy for next year.

On a motion by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Kinowski the agenda was unanimously set for the November 18, 2014 Board Meeting.

Mr. Veitch reminded the Board that the Budget Workshop for the 2015 Tentative Budget is November 13<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. in the Board Rooms.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela A. Wright, Clerk