

**WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE
JULY 27, 2015**

**** NOT APPROVED ****

Committee Members Present: C. Jessup, D. Fanton, P. Curran, K. Graves, D. Healy, T. Hopkins, LaForge (Absent: D. Pullen, D. Root, C. Crandall)

Others Present: M. Alger, L. Ballengee, H. Budinger, J. Budinger, D. Decker, V. Grant, L. Gridley, R. Hollis, T. Miner, B. Riehle, T. Ross, C. Santora, R. Sobeck-Lynch, N. Ungermann

Media Present: No media present

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Ways & Means Committee Chairman Charles Jessup.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Fanton, and carried to approve the Ways & Means Committee minutes of June 17, June 22, and July 15, 2015.

Approval of Audit

Committee members reviewed the July 27, 2015, audit of claims in the amount of \$2,759,893.68 (including prepaid bills). A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried to forward the audit to the full Board for approval of payment.

Designation of Substitute Newspaper

Clerk of the Board Brenda Rigby Riehle has been notified that the *Cuba Patriot*, one of the official newspapers, will not be publishing during the first week of August. Normally, the *Alfred Sun* would be designated a substitute official newspaper; however, they have not confirmed whether or not they will be publishing that week. Therefore, a resolution is requested designating the Wellsville Daily Reporter as the sole official newspaper for the period August 3-7, 2015. The request for a resolution which will need to come off the floor at this afternoon's Board meeting making that designation was approved on a motion by Legislator Fanton, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Request to Fill Secretary to the Clerk of the Board Position

Ms. Riehle then requested permission to fill the Secretary to the Clerk of the Board (non-union, Grade 2, Step Base-11) position which will become vacant due to a retirement. The position, created by resolution #17-12 is a part-time permanent position. The incumbent would attend all committee meetings, and take, transcribe, distribute, and file all committee minutes. Filling this position will better enable the County to comply with the Board Rules, Open Meetings Law, and Public Officers Law regarding how our minutes are taken, distributed, and retained. The minutes also serve as the County's historical record. The funds to finance the cost of this position appear in the Clerk of the Board's 2015 Budget. The benefit to the County in having this position is the creation of high-quality, consistent minutes in a timely manner for all committees,

and the opportunity for key personnel to work on other things. Permission to fill the position was approved on a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Fanton, and carried. **Notify Human Resources**

Approval of Legislators' Expense Vouchers

The Committee reviewed the Legislative expense vouchers for the month of June 2015. A motion was made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried to approve the vouchers for payment

REFERRALS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE/Employment & Training

Accept & Appropriate \$5,480 in Disability Employment Initiative (DEI) Funding

At the July Planning & Economic Development Committee meeting, E&T Director Reita Lynch requested a resolution to increase budget appropriations for the acceptance of \$5,480 in Disability Employment Initiative DEI funding. This money will allow E&T to purchase three new computers to benefit clients with disabilities who come to the E&T Center and need to use the computers. Thus, the sum of \$5,480 should be placed in appropriations account CD1 6400.201 (Adm Equipment) with a like sum placed in revenue account CD1 6400.4701.00 (Adm Federal Aid). The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Healy, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE/Employment & Training **HUMAN SERVICES/Department of Social Services**

Accept & Appropriate \$45,792 from NYS Office of Temporary & Disability Assistance for Provision of Supportive Employment Services to Eligible Noncustodial Parents

Social Services Commissioner Vicki Grant requested a resolution to accept and appropriate \$45,792 from NYS Office of Temporary & Disability Assistance for Provision of Supportive Employment Services to Eligible Noncustodial Parents. These grant funds support a court-based referral and compliance monitoring program designed to address underemployment and unemployment among non-custodial parents, promote timely and consistent payment of child support, and improve the financial stability of custodial parents to support better outcomes for their children. DSS already does this on an informal basis. DSS has been notified that it will receive \$45,792; County share is 10 percent of that sum for a total of \$4,579.20. The fiscal year runs August 1, 2015, through July 31, 2016, with an option to extend an additional two years. Ms. Grant's MOE stated that child support is a critical source of income for custodial families and assists them to become and remain self-sufficient. We have a population of NCPs who struggle to meet their child support obligations and with help accessing training, job skills, parenting skills, and job seeking skills, we may be able to help address the barriers in meeting their child support obligations. This would potentially have all less dependent on government funding. The funds should be disbursed as follows:

Appropriations	\$45,792
A6010.476 (DSS Contracts)	
Revenues	
A6010.4610.00 (NYS Revenues)	\$45,792

The request was approved on a motion by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Graves, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Good of the Order

Legislator Hopkins announced that there would be a caucus at 1:30 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m. following a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Healy, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Cynthia Santora, Secretary to the Clerk of the Board
Allegany County Board of Legislators