

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

October 21, 2015

NOT APPROVED

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

Others Present: M. Alger, L. Ballengee, H. Budinger, S. Burt, K. Dirlam, R. Hollis, T. Miner, K. Monroe, B. Riehle, T. Ross, R. Scott, R. Sobeck-Lynch, R. Whitney

Media Present: No media present.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 3:20 p.m. by Ways & Means Committee Chairman Charles Jessup.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Root, and carried to approve the Ways & Means Committee minutes of October 13, 2015.

Approval of Sealed Bid Offer from 2015 Annual Tax Sale

County Treasurer Terri Ross presented a sealed bid offer in the amount of \$500 from Maxwell and Marguerite Hallady for a parcel located at 54 O'Connor Street in Wellsville, New York, (Tax Map #225.20-1-81). Ms. Ross stated this was a property leftover from the 2015 Annual Tax Sale. Legislator Graves asked if there were any previous bids on this property. Ms. Ross stated yes, but they were later forfeited. Legislator Graves asked if there was anything negative about the people purchasing this property. Ms. Ross replied no, and noted the buyers have bought other property in the past. A motion was made by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried to accept the offer. **Prepare Resolution**

Tax Freeze/Government Efficiency Plan Update

County Administrator Mitch Alger reported the Tax Freeze/Government Efficiency Plan submitted by Allegany County has been approved by the New York State Division of the Budget. Mr. Alger stated tax rebates will be distributed. He noted it may be confusing because there is about a year delay in payment; the money for 2015 will not be sent out until November 2016. Legislator Jessup, on behalf of the Ways & Means Committee, thanked the committee who worked on the Plan. He knew it took many hours, and he appreciated their hard work. Legislator Graves agreed.

REFERRALS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

Public Safety/Sheriff's Department

Accept and Appropriate Funds for ACT II Batterers Program

Sheriff Rick Whitney requested a resolution to accept and appropriate \$15,925 from Accord Corporation for the continuation of the ACT II Batterers Program. The funds should be appropriated as follows:

Appropriation #	A3117.449	\$15,925
Revenue #	A3117.2260.00	\$15,925

The request was approved on a motion by Curran, seconded by Healy, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Accept and Appropriate Amendment of ICE Inmate Housing Contract

Sheriff Whitney requested approval of an amendment to the Immigration and Custom Enforcement (ICE) inmate housing contract to purchase computer and recreational equipment to be used by ICE and other inmates housed in the Allegany County Jail in the amount of \$28,700. ICE would reimburse the total amount upon being invoiced.

Appropriation # A3150.201	Jail - Office Equipment	\$ 3,141
A3150.210	Jail - Equipment Other	<u>\$25,559</u>
	Total:	\$28,700
Revenue # A3150.4389.00	Federal Other	\$28,700

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

Public Works/Solid Waste

Legislator Jessup noted Public Works Committee Chairman Dwight Fanton and Department of Public Works Superintendent Guy James were not able to attend the meeting. The request to prepare a solid waste request for proposal will be addressed at another Ways & Means Committee meeting.

Human Services/Health Department

Accept and Approve Allegany County Contracts for Approved Providers of Programs, Special Education Itinerant Teachers (SEIT) and/or Evaluations for Preschoolers with Disabilities

Director Lori Ballengee requested to accept and approve the Allegany Contracts for Approved Providers of Programs, Special Education Itinerant Teachers (SEIT) and or/Evaluations for Preschoolers with Disabilities. She noted there weren't any changes from previous contracts. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator LaForge, seconded by Legislator Root, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Accept and Appropriate COLA Money for Rabies Program

Ms. Ballengee requested a resolution to accept and appropriate COLA money for the Rabies Program for the 2015 Budget year, grant year of April 1, 2015, to March 31, 2016, in the

amount of \$1,043 as follows:

Appropriations #	A4043.408	General Supplies	\$1,043
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Revenue #	A4043.3450.00	State Aid – Public Health	\$1,043
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The funding will be utilized to purchase additional rabies vaccine for dogs, cats, and ferrets. Approval was granted on a motion by Legislator LaForge, seconded by Legislator Graves, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Accept and Appropriate COLA Money for Tobacco Enforcement Program

Ms. Ballengee requested a resolution to accept and appropriate COLA money for the Tobacco Enforcement Program for the 2015 Budget year, grant year of April 1, 2015, to March 31, 2016, in the amount of \$2,474 as follows:

Appropriations #	A4051.462	Health Contracts	\$2,474
Revenue #	A4051.3450.00	State Aid – Public Health Other	\$2,474

The funding will be utilized to purchase additional billboard advertising from LAMAR advertising for the ATUPA and CIAA programs. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator LaForge, seconded by Legislator Healy, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Accept and Appropriate Women’s Health Initiative Grant for Cancer Services Program

Ms. Ballengee requested a resolution to accept and appropriate a Women’s Health Initiative Grant for the Cancer Services Program for the 2015 Budget year, grant year of April 1, 2015, to March 31, 2016, in the amount of \$50,000 as follows:

Appropriations #	A4010.101	Regular Pay	\$ 2,066
	A4071.204	Motor Vehicles	\$19,700
	A4071.206	Health Equipment	\$ 5,500
	A4071.401	Postage	\$ 6,178
	A4071.408	General Supplies	\$ 1,687
	A4071.424	Legal Advertising	\$13,840
	A4071.802	Retirement	\$ 384
	A4071.803	FICA	\$ 158
	A4071.804	Worker’s Compensation	\$ 32
	A4071.805	Disability	\$ 5
	A4071.806	Hospital/Medical Insurance	<u>\$ 450</u>
		Total:	\$50,000
Revenue #	A4071.3401.00	State Aid	\$50,000

Ms. Ballengee stated this is the money she received from Senator Cathy Young’s office. The request was approved on a motion by Legislator LaForge, seconded by Legislator Root, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Accept and Appropriate COLA Money for Cancer Services Program

Ms. Ballengee requested a resolution to accept and appropriate COLA money for the Cancer Services Program for the 2015 Budget year, grant year of April 1, 2015, to March 31, 2016, in the amount of \$13,634 as follows:

Appropriations #	A4071.201	Office Equipment	\$ 3,596
	A4071.405	Conference Expense	\$ 1,200
	A4071.408	General Supplies	\$ 2,500
	A4071.424	Legal Advertising	\$ 4,568
	A4071.419	Printing/Microfilming	\$ 1,680
	A4071.422	Gasoline/Oil	\$ 90
		Total:	\$13,634
Revenue #	A4071.3401.00	State Aid	\$13,634

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

Accept and Appropriate COLA Money for Children with Special Health Care Needs

Ms. Ballengee requested a resolution to accept and appropriate COLA money for the Children with Special Health Care Needs Program for the 2015 Budget year, grant year of April 1, 2015, to March 31, 2016, in the amount of \$1,463 as follows:

Appropriations #	A4054.408	General Supplies	\$1,463
Revenue #	A4054.3401.01	State Aid	\$1,463

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

Accept and Appropriate COLA Money for the Immunization Program

Ms. Ballengee requested a resolution to accept and appropriate COLA money for the Immunization Program for the 2015 Budget year, grant year of April 1, 2015, to March 31, 2016, in the amount of \$2,046 as follows:

Immunization Under 24 Months			
Appropriations #	A4056.408	General Supplies	\$2,406
Revenues #	A4056.3473.00	State Aid-Immunization	\$2,406

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

Accept and Appropriate COLA Money for the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

Ms. Ballengee requested a resolution to accept and appropriate COLA money for the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program for the 2015 Budget year, grant year of October 1, 2015, to September 30, 2016, in the amount of \$2,918 as follows:

Appropriations #	A4037.408	General Supplies	\$2,918
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Revenue #	A4037.3437.00	State Aid	\$2,918
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The request was approved on a motion by Legislator LaForge, seconded by Legislator Root, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Human Services/Office for the Aging

Accept and Appropriate Federal Grants

Director Madeleine Gasdik requested a resolution to accept and appropriate federal grants: Nutrition Services Incentive Program (NSIP), Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA), and Health Insurance Information, Counseling, and Assistance Program (HICAP) in the amount of \$16,079. The Office for the Aging budgeted \$119,728 in Federal funding for these grants for the 2015 Budget year, but will be receiving \$136,437. Ms. Gasdik asked to please appropriate the funding as follows:

Appropriations #			
A6772.201	OFA Nutrition - Office Equipment		\$1,100
A6772.474	OFA Nutrition - Contractual		<u>\$3,672</u>
		Total:	\$4,772

Revenue #			
A6772.4772.03	NSIP		\$4,772

Appropriations #			
A6774.101	OFA MIPPA - Regular Pay		\$ 552
A6774.802	OFA MIPPA - Retirement		<u>\$ 157</u>
		Total:	\$ 709

Revenue #			
A6774.4772.00	MIPPA		\$ 709

Appropriations #			
A6779.201	OFA SNAP - Office Equipment		\$1,100
A6779.474	OFA SNAP - Contractual		<u>\$6,060</u>
		Total:	\$7,160

Revenue #			
A6779.4772.00	NSIP		\$7,160

Appropriations #			
A6782.101	OFA Health Ins. Info./Counseling - Regular Pay		\$2,568
A6782.405	OFA Health Ins. Info./Counseling - Conference Expense		\$ 500
A6782.424	OFA Health Ins. Info./Counseling - Legal Advertising		\$ 200
A6782.806	OFA Health Ins. Info./Counseling - Medical Insurance		<u>\$ 800</u>
		Total:	\$4,068

Revenue #			
A6782.4772.00	HIICAP		\$4,068

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

Accept and Appropriate State Grants

Ms. Gasdik requested a resolution to accept and appropriate State grants: Community Services for the Elderly (CSE) and AAA Transportation programs in the amount of \$21,830. The Office for the Aging budgeted \$76,600 in State funding for these grants for the 2015 Budget year, but will be receiving \$98,430 which includes \$97,430 in State funding, and \$1,000 in local contributions. She requested permission to accept funds from the Allegany Senior Foundation in the amount of \$1,000 to help purchase a new copy machine. She requested the funding to be appropriated as follows:

Appropriations #		
A6776.101	Regular Pay	\$ 4,500
A6776.201	Office Equipment	\$ 3,000
A6776.401	Postage	\$ 900
A6776.402	Mileage	\$ 1,600
A6776.408	General Supplies	\$ 500
A6776.409	Fees (PERS)	\$ 2,500
A6776.419	Printing	\$ 900
A6776.423	Food	\$ 6,000
A6776.802	Retirement	\$ 810
A6776.803	F.I.C.A.	\$ 345
A6776.804	Worker's Compensation	\$ 90
A6776.806	Medical Insurance	<u>\$ 685</u>
	Total:	\$21,830
Revenue #		
A6776.3772.00	CSE/Transportation	\$20,830
A6776.1972.00	CSE-Local Contributions	<u>\$ 1,000</u>
	Total:	\$21,830

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

Human Services/Community Services

Director Dr. Robert Anderson requested a resolution to accept and appropriate COLA money in the amount of \$24,837 in additional State Aid for Allegany County Community Services as follows:

Appropriations #		
A4313.461	Health Contract – ARC	\$ 749
A4313.457	Health Contract – Finger lakes	\$ 12,901
A4313.464	Health Contract – ARA	\$ 3,155
A4313.464A	Health Contract – ACCORD	<u>\$ 2,062</u>
	Total:	\$ 18,867
Revenue #		
A4313.3490.965	State Aid – COLA	\$ 18,867
Appropriations #		
A4313.464	Health Contract – ARA SPOA	\$ 6,192

Revenue #			
A4313.3490.046A	State Aid – SPOA		\$ 6,192
Appropriations #			
A4313.463	Health Contract – PROS		\$-18,776
Revenue #			
A4313.3490.1037P	State Aid – PROS		\$-18,776
Appropriations #			
A4220.458	Health Contract – Comm Res		\$ 9,500
Revenue #			
A4220.3486.00	State Aid – OASAS		\$ 9,500
Appropriations #			
A4313.451	Health Contract – Adult Clinic		\$ 9,054
Revenue #			
A4313.3490.1078	State Aid – Housing Arbor		\$ 9,054

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

Legislative Board Chairs

Clerk of the Board Brenda Rigby Riehle provided quotes and pictures of potential chairs to give an idea of what it would cost to replace the current Legislative Board chairs. She stated the Board chairs are falling apart, including the mechanisms in the chairs. She noted the chairs are over fifty years old, and in the past there has been discussion to replace them. Legislator LaForge asked about refurbishing the current chairs. Ms. Riehle stated the base of the chair is no longer OSHA compliant, and some of the mechanisms are not replaceable. The chair needs five legs to be OSHA compliant, and it would cost approximately \$9,000 to refurbish them. Legislator Healy asked if there were legal issues because they are not OSHA Compliant. County Attorney Tom Miner stated no. Legislator Curran noted the current chairs are not stable.

Legislator Jessup wanted to know what the Committee thought of purchasing chairs that would cost \$8,000 to \$20,000 to replace all of them. He noted the Legislators only sit in them about eight hours a month. Legislator Graves stated other groups use the space and chairs. Chairman Crandall agreed the chairs are used by others, and they need to be replaced. He noted the collective total cost is hard to swallow. He would like to have quality chairs that will last. He asked if splitting the cost over two years, instead of one lump sum is a possibility. County Administrator Mitch Alger said they could look at that possibility. Legislator Graves asked where the money to purchase the chairs would come from. Mr. Alger said it would come from Contingency. Legislator Graves also asked what would happen to the old chairs. County Treasurer Terri Ross said they are Gunlocke chairs, so there may be a market to sell them. Legislator Burt stated furniture is at an all-time low. In his opinion, the chairs without casters may sell for \$50, and the chairs with casters may sell for \$75. He noted the best way to sell the chairs is to market them as historical pieces. Legislator LaForge commented people purchase items, and dedicate them to someone. Some people or businesses may want to purchase the chairs, and he is willing to buy his. Ms. Riehle agreed it may be a good idea give people the opportunity to donate a chair in the name or memory of a loved one.

Ms. Riehle suggested creating a team consisting of two Legislators and herself to do further research on the chairs. Legislator Graves and Legislator Jessup volunteered to help Ms. Riehle. She asked what the Legislators expectations were so they could narrow their research. Legislator Curran and Legislator Root requested lower back chairs. Legislator Jessup would like to see the weight capacity of the chairs higher than 250 pounds. Ms. Riehle suggested going with a quality, higher-end chair because in a few years they will see a difference if they go with a lower quality chair. Legislator Pullen made a motion to move forward with an investigation of new Legislative Board chairs not to exceed \$20,000, seconded by Legislator Graves, and carried.

Approval of Legislators' Expense Vouchers

The Committee reviewed the Legislative expense vouchers for the months of August 2015, and September 2015. A motion was made by Legislator Pullen, seconded by Legislator Healy, and carried to approve the vouchers for payment.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m. following a motion by Legislator Graves, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Rebecca Scott, Secretary to the Clerk of the Board
Allegany County Board of Legislators