

## **BUDGET COMMITTEE**

**June 15, 2016**

**NOT APPROVED**

**Committee Members Present:** C. Crandall, K. LaForge, D. Fanton, D. Healy, J. Hopkins, D. Root

**Others Present:** H. Budinger, K. Graves, R. Hollis, D. Horan, C. Jessup, J. Margeson, T. Miner, J. Norris, D. Pullen, B. Riehle, T. Ross, D. Scholes, N. Ungermann, T. Boyde, K. Hooker, R. Hollis, D. Rahr

**Media Present:** B. Quinn, *Wellsville Daily Reporter*

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 11:01a.m. by Budget Committee Chairman Curt Crandall.

### **Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Legislator Fanton, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried to approve the Budget Committee minutes of May 18, 2016.

### **Sales Tax Report**

County Treasurer Terri Ross distributed the 2016 Allegany County Sales Tax Report reflecting receipts through June 13, 2016, totaling \$382,040.87. Receipts for the current period indicate a small decrease from one year ago for the same period. The year-to-date figures show a decrease, currently of \$352,624.01 or -4.217 percent over last year at this time. The third quarter will reflect summer activity.

### **2017 Budget**

Terri Ross, Treasurer, handed out the timetable for the 2017 Budget and it was noted everyone will need to have their proposed budgets for 2017 ready by July 8, 2017, for review. Departments should make cuts wherever they can cut.

At the July Budget meeting the committee should go over the individual department budgets.

The end of the quarter will occur at the end of June. At the Budget Committee Meeting in July, the big five departments will report, which includes Office for the Aging, Department of Health, Department of Public Works, Sheriff's Office, and the Department of Social Services. It was noted the Department of Social Services will not be able to attend that meeting. Social Services will report in August.

Ms. Ross distributed a list of some projects that were kept track of from past meetings. The first item on the list is the closure of the Landfill. This item is really off the list and some funds have been appropriated for that purpose. Three million of the required funds needed have been earmarked for this purpose. The old Jail renovation was discussed as a possible future renovation project. There is about six thousand square feet in the old Jail facility that can be renovated. Friendship Shop needs a new roof but is not slated to be done at this time. The County is looking into installing a new phone system but unsure of the costs involved at this time.

Legislator Root asked for an activity report on what has been spent and where work has been done. Some of these items will be addressed out of the current budget.

Ms. Ross noted that the annual financial report for fiscal year ending December 31, 2015, was sent in on April 29, 2016. Chairman Crandall requested a couple of copies of the annual report be available for legislator's review.

Ms. Ross was talking with Moody's Investors Service about a review. Moody's has upgraded the County rating from A2 to A1 Allegany County New York's \$16.6 million General Obligation limited Tax debt.

Ms. Ross and Chairman Crandall indicated they would like to have a financial advisor come in and have a meeting sometime in the near future.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:31 a.m. following a motion by Legislator Dwight Fanton, seconded by Legislator Mike Healy, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janet Norris, Secretary to the Clerk of the Board  
Allegany County Board of Legislators