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PLANNING & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

SANDRA L. BAKER, CHAIR

November 13, 2006

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mrs. Rapp, Mr. DiBlasi, Mr. Jordan

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Farrell and see attached list (*Attachment 1*)

Chair Baker called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m. and welcomed Legislator Casey Jordan as a new member of the committee.

A motion was made by Mrs. Rapp, seconded by Mr. Jordan to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the proceedings of the previous committee meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

1. Confirming appointments to Cooperative Extension Association of Onondaga County Board of Directors (Mr. DiBlasi, Mr. Jordan)

A motion was made by Mrs. Rapp, seconded by Mrs. Baker to approve this item. Voting yes: Mrs. Rapp, Mrs. Baker, Mr. DiBlasi; abstained: Mr. Jordan; MOTION CARRIED.

2. Convention Center Update - David Marnell

Mr. Marnell said that the quarterly reports for second and third quarter are due, suggested presenting them at the December committee meeting. Mr. Marnell said they are having a busy fourth quarter:

- Big East Power Sport Expo - over 16,000 attendees
- Two Pop Warner cheerleading competitions - over 4,000 attendees
- NYS Department of Health 2006 Vital Signs - generated over 900 room nights; booked for 2007 as well
- Syracuse Invitational Sport Horse Show (5 days).

In answer to Mrs. Rapp's question about room nights generated, Mr. Marnell said he would get the information for the committee.

- Famous Artists - Mama Mia in October and Aida in December
- Family shows and concerts

2. CVB - Introduction - David Holder

Mrs. Baker introduced David Holder, new president of the Convention and Visitors Bureau. Mr. Holder noted that he sees communication as an initial theme that needs to be captured during his first few years of his tenure; focus on what we have and what is coming up and get that communication out there. Focus on:

- Celebrities - such as Sport Horse Show, Syracuse University
- Culture - showcase all entertainment options, arts community
- Culinary - showcase different dimensions of food, make connection with the winery scene, Middle Ages Brewery.

Mr. Holder said he has been speaking to Chambers of Commerce in various towns to spread the word about what they are trying to accomplish.

4. Economic Development Update - Don Western

Town of Clay Business Park:

- Early 1990's analysis determined that County was unable to compete for large user projects
- Clay Business Park is made up of six parcels of land acquired by OCIDA between 1998 and 2005
- Have done a geo technical study, Phase 1 and 2 environmental audits, asbestos analysis, sewer service study
- Town of Clay supportive; land zoned industrial
- Site sits next to huge electric substation, has robust water service
- Site was one of three considered by Project Hummingbird (Bristol Myers Squibb), is presently being considered by a manufacturing concern (team has visited a number of times), another biopharmaceutical company also looking at site and recently a submission for a fourth major project.

Mr. Western said having Bristol Myers Squibb consider the site has been a selling point with other pharmaceutical companies; there is an enormous biopharmaceutical educational resource with a large number of degree programs in the upstate area (Cornell to Syracuse, Rochester, Buffalo); Syracuse also has the Biotech Center the ESF Certificate Program; quality of life is another selling point.

Mrs. Rapp asked about marketing money - would they target biopharmaceutical resources rather than Good for Business Good for Life. Mr. Western said they are doing both. Mrs. Rapp said industries want to be where other industries are doing the same thing with a critical mass of employees that can be shared.

Southern Wine Distribution Center: chose Syracuse to serve entire upstate north of Westchester County; temporary facility in Clay (in an Empire Zone) and business office in AKA Tower 2 (Empire Zone); may start construction this month (250,000 sq. ft.) at the old GM location on a 37 acre parcel north of Court Street in the Town of Salina (Empire Zone).

5. Hotel Update - Don Western, Joe Mareane

Three components:

- \$5 million from the Governor through the Empire State Development Corporation; they approved it in September, held a public hearing in early October; draft of the grant agreement being reviewed by the developer and IDA lawyers, then will get a final agreement.
- \$5 million from the Senate pool through the Dormitory Authority, subject to an administrative third party agreement between the Senate, Assembly and the Governor; identified a project component for the senate money; they just completed a draft of the financial commitment of Wilmorite (had to segment out pieces of the project for both the Senate and Assembly money); developer not in position to provide evidence of firm and final financing for the entire project - not realistic to get a construction loan until you have a flag, not going to have a flag until flag knows the deal is going to happen, don't know if deal is going to happen until know the \$15 million state money is available.
- \$5 million Assembly money administratively handled by the Dormitory Authority, but has to go through the Public Authority's Control Board approval process; expect a vote at the PACB meeting on November 15th. Once that is in place, they will get a grant disbursement agreement for that money and will go through a review process; will have to segment out a project they can identify (land acquisition and architect design and engineering cost). Sources for the total \$7.35 million - \$5 million Assembly money, \$2.1 million from the County and \$250,000 from IDA.

Scheduling dates for hotel:

- October 2006 to January 2007 - architectural design process
- January to March 2007 - construction bid review and awards
- April 2007 to February 2009 - construction
- March 2009 - pre-opening
- April 2009 - functional opening.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Johanna H. Robb

Deputy Clerk

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION COMMITTEE MINUTES - NOVEMBER 14, 2006

JAMES A CORBETT, CHAIRMAN

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Rhinehart, Mr. Kraft, Mr. Farrell, Mr. Jordan, Mrs. Winslow

ALSO PRESENT: *see attached list*

A motion was made by Mr. Rhinehart, seconded by Mrs. Winslow, to waive the reading and approve the proceedings of the previous committee meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

1. LAKE IMPROVEMENT: Ms. Sue Miller

ACJ Update

- Rain gages - rain relates to non-point pollution - rain pollution gets in sewers; gets into lake
- Leaf bags - 35,000 available this year; were delivering weekly to libraries to re-supply them; DPW picks up filled bags on a rotational basis.
- Partnership meeting held Oct. 30th - reported progress; a lot related to county projects-particularly to improvement seen due to ammonia/phosphorus removal.
- Construction:
 - o Midland Phase II - continuing installation of 44" pipe; 82% of concrete installed; 64.9% of money expended on 4 prime contracts
 - o Phase III - at a point of 100% design documents; all street and sidewalk restoration is done re: South Ave/Bissell Sewer Separation
 - o Biosolids Handling at Metro - under construction; paving being done; new addition put on dewatering building
 - o Next sewer separation project will start next year

Mr. Rhinehart had questions regarding DEC approving the Clinton plan and alternative sites. It was explained that DEC includes a recommended alternative site; it is the facility plan--alternatives are looked at and a recommendation is made; it is being designed. DEC approved everything. Mr. Elander said the Clinton project was approved several years ago for \$31 million; since then they have piecemealed steps. The last one is the final design for RTF. There is approximately \$18 million left, which has not been authorized by the legislature and not enough to build the facility. This winter he will ask for project approval and will have the project plans and engineer's estimate. Mr. Rhinehart asked if there has been any change in status between City and County. Mr. Elander said that there have been discussions, but it is has not been concluded.

Mr. Farrell questioned the received and approved EFC loan amounts. Mr. Elander will report back. Mr. Farrell suggested that prior month's line-for-line expenditures be added to the report. Chairman Corbett suggested that a separate sheet be created for the committee, as the current format is approved for DEC.

Mr. Kraft said that Law Dept. has billed yet--asked if a year-end balance is expected in LIPO. Mr. Elander said that it is. He will provide a copy of the 3rd quarter forecast, which is provided to DMB. Mr. Kraft referred to the total estimated cost, \$508 million and an original amount of \$550 million. Mr. Elander said that the \$550 million was the original \$380 million and then adding in the ENR index to year 2012, would be \$557. The actual costs are less the original estimate inflated with ENR index. Mr. Kraft asked about original state and federal aid, since \$128 million was added. Mr. Elander said the feds only reimbursement; originally expected over \$100 million; to date they have received or expect to receive about \$110 million; have met the commitment from Congressman Walsh.

Mr. Kraft asked for a document that shows: 1. the original projected cost; state, federal, and county share; 2. current status, where we hope to go; 3. reasonable expectations from state or federal aid. Mr. Elander said that the issue is that the state will have a new governor; had \$75 million to start with and then promised another \$75 million--they do not have all that was promised yet.

2. WATER ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION: Mr. Richard Elander, Commissioner

a. Authorize an Intermunicipal Agreement with City of Syracuse for Sewer Separation for CSO Basin 050

This is the Parkway/Rockland Sewer separation project on southside of city; 047, 048 were done this year; scheduled to do 050 in the spring; will do 051 the following year; 22 will be the last one.

A motion was made by Mr. Kraft, seconded by Mr. Rhinehart to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

3. METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD: Mr. David Fitch, Administrative Director

a. Confirming an amendment to the currently effective schedule of rates to be charged for water and water service provided by the Onondaga County Water District

During the budget presentation it was explained that a rate increase would be needed effective Jan. 1st in order to generate revenues included in the budget. This will raise wholesale water rates from an average of 89 cents/1000 gallon to 95 cents/1000 gallons; roughly 6.7% increase. Since these are wholesale rates passed on to OCWA and City of Syracuse, OCWA will not need to raise their rates a like amount because they are spreading costs over a much larger customer base. For OCWA it represents about 2% increase in their retail rates. It is based upon assumption that MWB will sell \$8.5 billion gallons of water next year.

There was discussion about current rates; Mr. Fitch distributed a breakdown (*attachment no. 1*). A computed peak charge is a projection used for paying for the ability of the system; all utilities have it. It is \$3.65/1000 gallons now; billed on a monthly basis.

Mr. Farrell asked to be provided with the volume of revenue for the last few years. Mr. Fitch explained that in the current year they are looking at about a \$1 million shortfall in revenue due to loss of sales. Mr. Farrell asked if some needed major maintenance is not being done because of this. Mr. Fitch said "no", \$450,000 appropriated for capital projects, is planned to be moved into the budget. It has been in the budget for several years. Because at the end of the year revenues came up short, they didn't put it into provision for capital projects. The projects included re-roofing the water filtration plant, replacement of pumps, etc. Mr. Farrell questioned why it is being delayed; Mr. Fitch said the \$450,000 was not for the roof - there is a list of many capital equipment items that are needed; that money won't accomplish many of them by itself; they need several years of money going in to that account to accomplish some of them. For example, to replace a pump/motor at raw water pumping station is over \$1 million. This is the first year they have had to move some of the money, \$250,000. Mr. Farrell felt that work is being delayed that should be done; will spend more money in the long run. Mr. Fitch explained that they are trying to accomplish it in a proactive fashion; the loss of sales is preventing them from doing that.

Mr. Rhinehart asked if anyone in the county gets water without paying for it. Mr. Fitch said not as far as Lake Ontario water is concerned.

A motion was made by Mr. Corbett, seconded by Mr. Farrell to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

b. Transfer of funds from Contingent Fund Account 650 to Supplies and Materials Acct. 300 (\$50,000)

A motion was made by Mr. Farrell, seconded by Mrs. Winslow to approve this item; passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

4. OCRRA:

a. Confirming reappointment to the Onondaga County Resource Recovery Agency (Mr. Antelmi)

A motion was made by Mr. Farrell, seconded by Mr. Rhinehart to approve this item; passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

Chairman Corbett stated that the topic of reservoir coverings will be brought up at the beginning of the new year.

The meeting was adjourned a 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DEBORAH L. MATURO, Clerk

Onondaga County Legislature

HEALTH COMMITTEE MINUTES

KATHLEEN A. RAPP, CHAIR

November 15, 2006

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Warner, Mrs. Baker, Ms. Mulroy, Mr. Laguzza, Mrs. Winslow

ALSO PRESENT: Mr. Farrell and see attached list (Attachment 1)

Chair Rapp called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

A motion was made by Mrs. Baker, seconded by Mr. Warner to waive reading of minutes and approve minutes as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

1. VAN DUYN: Ms. Roberta Sprague, Commissioner

a. Transfer of funds from Professional Services Account 408 (\$95,000) and Maintenance, Utilities and Rents Account 413 (\$15,000) to Furniture and Other Capital Outlay Account 215 (\$110,000)

Transfer of funds to be used for improvements in technology (Lotus Notes, computers, licenses, new server, new wiring) and also to replace time clocks (\$30,000) for the new Kronos (Countywide time and attendance) system. Have additional money in the 408 Account (did not use as much this year for Contract Services), money left over in 413 Account due to the Carrier project (utility costs were not as high as previously projected).

Ms. Baker asked what the anticipated timeframe is to get Kronos up and running. Ms. Sprague said they have asked to be moved to the top of the list; would like it to be early in 2007, but does not know if it will happen. In answer to Mr. Laguzza, Ms. Sprague said they are very eager to implement Kronos; they do not have a big personnel department, now, everything is done manually.

A motion was made by Mrs. Baker, seconded by Mr. Laguzza to approve this item. A vote was taken and passed unanimously. MOTION CARRIED.

b. Transfer of funds from Supplies and Materials Account 300 (\$125,000) and Maintenance, Utilities and Rent Account 413 (\$7,500) to All Other Expenses Account 410 (\$132,500)

Have funds available due to a change in dietary contract (new vendor cost is less); would like to use the money to take care of bad debt (normally write off \$200,000 per year, this year one client almost exceeded \$170,000 bad debt). Ms. Sprague said they also need additional money due to the County contract for security (rate up from \$10 to \$14 an hour). In answer to Mrs. Baker, Ms. Sprague said they have anticipated the increase for security in the 2007 Budget. Mr. Laguzza expressed concern about security at Van Duyn; Legislature and Ms. Sprague need to have a discussion concerning this issue.

A motion was made by Mr. Laguzza, seconded by Mrs. Baker to approve this item. A vote was taken and passed unanimously. MOTION CARRIED.

c. Abolish Stenographer 3, Grade 7 @ \$31,479 - \$34,791 effective December 11, 2006.

Create Administrative Aide, Grade 7 @ \$31,479 - \$34,791 effective December 11, 2006.

A motion was made by Ms. Mulroy, seconded by Mr. Warner to approve this item. A vote was taken and passed unanimously. MOTION CARRIED.

2. HEALTH: Ms. Jean Smiley, Deputy Commissioner

a. Abolish Director, Healthy Start Program, Grade 35 @ \$62,855 - \$88,678 effective December 9, 2006.

Create Program Coordinator (Healthy Start), Grade 13 @ \$50,391 - \$53,869 effective December 9, 2006.

Director of Healthy Start took a new position with the Family Planning Organization at Syracuse Model Neighborhoods facility; asking to downgrade this position from Director to Coordinator to meet the needs of the new organizational structure, does not affect any incumbent. Mr. Laguzza asked if the person would come in at the entry level; Ms. Smiley said the person would start at Step A, a \$1,700 increase from the employee's present position.

Ms. Mulroy asked if there are changes with the Healthy Start Program. Ms. Smiley said it would remain much the same, but with more support in terms of the Director of the Division being involved and the Director of Operations being involved in more of the administrative things.

A motion was made by made by Mr. Laguzza, seconded by Mr. Warner to approve this item. A vote was taken and passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

b. Transfer of funds from Correctional Health Supplies Account 300 (\$170,000) and DSS Programs Medical Asst. Payments by State Account 618 (\$150,000) to Correctional Health Professional Services Account 408 (\$320,000)

Asking to move \$170,000 from the 300 Account to the 408 Account (pharmacy funds have been moved to the 408 Account, effective with new contract starting December 1, 2006). Pharmacy projection for next year is actually less than what they are

paying this year. Additional \$250,000 is due to increased cost for inmate medical. *Mr. Laguzza left the room.* Ms. Mulroy noted that if medical costs are going up in this area, custody will also get an increase cost, if inmates check into the hospital, they have to have secure supervision.

A motion was made by Ms. Mulroy, seconded by Mr. Warner to move this item. A vote was taken and passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

3. Discussion - Increasing age to 19 to purchase tobacco products

Mr. Warner said recent surveys show that 75% of smokers want to quit; information says that most smokers get addicted at a young age, why not let our young citizens have another year to decide whether to go down this path. Mr. Warner said the intent is to make tobacco products inaccessible to Onondaga County high school students in order to reduce the chances that they will become addicted to cigarettes at any age. *Mr. Laguzza returned to the meeting.* Center for Disease Control estimates that 60% of underage smokers get their cigarettes from friends, 20% of all high school students, nationwide, smoke. Alaska, Alabama, Utah and New Jersey have enacted this age statewide. Has yet to find a school Superintendent who does not approve of this proposed law.

Ms. Winslow said her passion is fighting cancer on every level; responsible adults and Legislators should jump at the opportunity to try to protect the health of our young citizens in Onondaga County, giving them another year to mature and think about making decisions that are harmful to them.

Ms. Mulroy asked if the enforcement policy regarding tobacco products would be burdened by increasing the age. Mr. Sauda said they receive an adolescent tobacco grant that obligates them to do an inspection at each facility in Onondaga County that sells tobacco products (about 510); use a 15 to 17 year old youth (volunteer) to go with permanent staff person. Mr. Sauda said they could not send an 18 year old under this funding; they could respond to complaints and do a certain percentage of inspections. Mr. Sauda said statewide the percentage of sales to youth under 18 has dropped (presently under 10% statewide, down to 3% in Onondaga County). Ms. Mulroy asked if they have been challenged regarding a fine for first offense rather than a warning. Mr. Sauda replied that he is not aware of any.

Mr. Laguzza said according to the neighborhood meetings he attends, the biggest culprit to the demise of neighborhoods are the corner stores; this would be another tool to use when making a call to these stores that sell blunts, lottery and beer. Mr. Laguzza requested to be a co-sponsor.

Mrs. Baker asked what counties in New York have already passed this law. Mr. Warner replied Nassau and Suffolk; doesn't know if there are any hard facts concerning results, has only been in place for a year. Mrs. Baker requested to be a co-sponsor.

Mrs. Rapp said she has had positive response to this legislation, but also heard concern that it is an over regulation that does not do any good. Dr. Morrow briefly reviewed the health facts; approximately 440,000 Americans die of tobacco related causes every year; on average, about 3,900 youths start smoking every day. In terms of evidence, it is very limited; there is a Community Guide to Preventative Services that talks about best practices for tobacco control in community, they say there is insufficient evidence to talk about the impact that legislation has on tobacco rates. Dr. Morrow said it doesn't mean it is not effective; nobody has done the types of studies. Dr. Morrow noted that best practices say that enforcement is essential, any type of restriction aimed at youth is essential; most importantly, there has to be a community comprehensive approach, have to look at the laws, enforcement of laws, community education campaign. Dr. Morrow said smoking has decreased in three of the states that have passed the law (no data for N.J., just passed in 2006); rates have decreased in all other states as well; evidence for Tobacco 18 is limited, but supports that legislation decreases tobacco smoking rates; there are so many factors that go into a youth's decision to smoke.

Mrs. Rapp asked if there is an opportunity to increase public health education with this legislation. Dr. Morrow said they get some funding from the State for anti-tobacco initiatives; funding is a challenge, anti-tobacco funding has decreased, tobacco industry marketing has increased in the last few years.

Mrs. Rapp mentioned the other negative brought to her - students are legally adult at eighteen, can go to war, can vote; are we keeping in adolescence a year later than the law describes them in every other capacity. Mrs. Winslow said we often speak of the right to vote and the commitment when one opts to serve their country; using tobacco products is a bad decision, never heard anyone say voting or serving your country is a bad decision, more of a privilege.

Ms. Rapp said it becomes a public health issue If evidence points out that the earlier a person starts smoking, the more likely there will be debilitating diseases later on, drives up insurance and Medicaid. Mr. Laguzza mentioned that the seat belt legislation, raising drinking age to 21 and Indoor Smoking Act save lives; 3,500 start smoking every day, knocking that number down will save cost to taxpayers for related health services. Dr. Morrow said that the annual health related cost of tobacco currently in the United States is \$167 billion. Mrs. Baker said the annual health care costs in New York State directly caused by smoking is \$8.17 billion.

The decision was made by the committee to vote on the Local Law; all committee members who were present at the meeting requested to be co-sponsors.

A motion was made by Mrs. Winslow, seconded by Mr. Warner to approve this item. A vote was taken and passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Johanna H. Robb

Deputy Clerk

SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES -

November 15, 2006

Chairman Robert D. Warner

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Rhinehart, Mr. DiBlasi, Mr. Holmquist, Mr. Laguzza, Mrs. Chaplin, Mr. Stanczyk

ALSO PRESENT: *see attached list*

Chairman Warner called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Stanczyk, seconded by Mr. Holmquist to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the previous committee meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

1. SOCIAL SERVICES: DAVID SUTKOWY, STEVEN MORGAN, ZACK KARMEN, BRIAN MCLANE, Syracuse University

a. Amending the 2006 County Budget to accept and provide for additional funds in the Department of Social Services to support self employment for adults and youth with disabilities and authorizing the County Executive to enter into contracts to implement this resolution (\$1,044,957).

A motion was made by Mr. Stanczyk, seconded by Mrs. Chaplin to approve this item.

Mr. McLane explained the "My Work Onondaga" initiative (*see attachments 1 and 2*) and handed out a brochure with information on the Burton Blatt Institute Centers of Innovation on Disability. (*on file in Clerks office*)

A vote was taken on motion; passed unanimously. MOTION CARRIED.

b. Authorizing the establishment of a petty cash fund for the Onondaga County Social Services Department for the purpose of making and providing change (\$160)

A motion was made by Mr. Stanczyk, seconded by Mr. Laguzza to approve this item. Passed unanimously, MOTION CARRIED.

c. Transfer of funds from Regular Salaries Account 101 to Supplies Account 300 (\$20,000)

A motion was made by Mr. Stanczyk, seconded by Mr. Laguzza to approve this item.

Mr. Morgan explained the Emergency Medical Fund. (*see attachment 3*)

A vote was taken on motion; passed unanimously. MOTION CARRIED.

d. Discussion: Indigent Burials

Mrs. Chaplin requested a comparison with surrounding counties for indigent burials. Mr. Morgan handed out a comparison summary (*see attached 4*). Mr. Sutkowy asked if the comparison was apples to apples. Mr. Karmen stated it is impossible to compare in this manner; there are too many variables. Onondaga County is one of the few counties to have their own cemetery. There is no cost to the funeral home to open and close the grave; there is an internal cost to the Parks Department. We are somewhere in the middle, a little on the low side compared to the surrounding counties. **Mr. Rhinehart requested a copy of the criteria used by the Social Services Department to determine eligibility for indigent burial.** Chair Warner asked Ms. Chaplin to get together with other board members and bring a resolution before the Ways and Means Committee. Mr. DiBlasi

stated that he would like to know the actual cost of a funeral in Onondaga County. Mr. Stanczyk asked if the board would support an increase. Chair Warner stated they are in agreement that something needs to be done. Mr. Morgan stated that during the budget session, money was set aside equating to a 25% increase. Mr. Stanczyk asked for a motion.

Chair Warner stated the concept is approved; Mrs. Chaplin will bring a resolution before Ways and Means.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Stadelmann, Assistant Clerk

County Legislature

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MINUTES - November 16, 2006

MARTHA E. MULROY, CHAIR

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Rhinehart, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Warner, Mr. DiBlasi

ALSO PRESENT: *see attached list*

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Warner, seconded by Mr. Rhinehart, to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the proceedings of the previous meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

1. HUMAN RIGHTS: Ms. Linda Hall

- a. **Confirming reappointment to the Onon. Co./Syracuse Commission on Human Rights (Mr. Lyons)**

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Warner to approve this item. Passed unanimously; CARRIED.

2. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT: Mr. Joe Rinefierd

- a. **Confirming appointments to the position of Deputy Coordinator and authorizing reimbursement for expenses incurred in the performance of their duties**

A motion was made by Mr. Warner, seconded by Mr. Rhinehart to approve this item; passed unanimously; CARRIED.

3. Confirming reappointment to the Onondaga County Jury Board (Mr. Warner)

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Rhinehart to approve this item; passed unanimously; CARRIED.

4. SHERIFF: Chief William Peverly

- a. **Amending 2006 Co. Budget to accept funds and authorizing the Co. Exec. to enter into an agreement with the State of NY Governor's Traffic Safety Committee to provide funding for Enhanced Enforcement of the Safety Seat and Safety Belt Provisions of the NYS Vehicle and Traffic Law (\$16,720)**

Funding usually received every year from State for Operation Buckle Up; 2 deployments/year; done on an overtime basis to so set up for checking for seat belt usage. This amount covers the cost, salary, and fringe benefits.

Mr. DiBlasi asked if they will be deployed in the City as part of Operation Impact. Chief Peverly replied that it is not part of Operation Impact. Deployment is in the county; the City has their own funding for programs like this.

Mr. Ryan asked how many years this has been received and if it is in the budget. Chief Peverly said it has been received for a number of years; was not in the budget as they just got the grant funds. They don't know how much they will get each year. Mr. Ryan asked if an additional amount is taken out for retirement costs. Chief Peverly said it is included.

Chief Peverly said through this effort, they also find people unlicensed, unregistered, uninsured, outstanding warrants on them, intoxications; a variety of other charges.

Mr. Rhinehart asked about cell phone usage and a policy for Sheriffs. He requested that this be an item of discussion for a future meeting. Chief Peverly said that there are certain exemptions for law enforcement, i.e. telephone,

seatbelts, etc., but they do not encourage them.

A motion was made by Mr. Warner, seconded by Mr. DiBlasi to approve this item. Passed unanimously; CARRIED.

b. Amend 2006 Co. Budget to accept funds and to support the K-9 Unit of the Onon. Co. Sheriff's Office (\$2,075)

A motion was made by Mr. Warner, seconded by Mr. Ryan to approve this item. Passed unanimously; CARRIED.

5. DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Mr. Rick Trunfio

a. Amend 2007 Co Budget to provide the Office of the Onon Co Dist Attorney with additional funds beyond the estimated dollars appropriated in 2007 Co. Budget and authorize Co Exec to enter into contracts to implement this resolution (\$85,000)

Crimes against revenue are the forensic accountants that are proactively investigating fraud. Last year was a model program. Mr. Warner commented that last year there were some concerns, but feels the District attorneys office has set a fine example of how this program should run.

A motion was made by Mr. Warner, seconded by Mr. Rhinehart to approve this item. Passed unanimously; CARRIED.

Mr. Rhinehart asked about matching funds. Mr. Trunfio said that there aren't any--are contract employees; when grant goes, they go.

6. EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS: John Balloni, Commissioner

a. Authorizing the County Executive to apply for the NYS Shared Municipal Services Grant Program

This was applied for last year and turned down; were encourage to reapply. There was discussion about it fitting into the developing plan; it will be an enhancement - will provide ability to interoperate with 5 adjoining counties; should be able to better communicate. This is a planning grant and funds people like Mr. Gabriel and Mr. Stevenson to plan that type of activity.

A motion was made by Mr. Warner, seconded by Ms. Mulroy to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Rhinehart questioned the \$1,751 matching grant; Mr. Balloni explained that each county has a 10% match.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DEBORAH L. MATURO, Clerk

Onondaga County Legislature

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE MINUTES

November 28, 2006

CHAIRMAN WILLIAM H. MEYER

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Warner, Mr. Kraft, Mr. Corbett, Mrs. Rapp, Mr. Farrell, *Mr. Stanczyk

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mrs. Baker, Mr. Ryan

ALSO PRESENT: *see attached list*

Chairman Meyer called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Warner to waive the reading and approve the minutes of proceeding of the previous committee meeting. MOTION CARRIED.

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE CONSENT AGENDA

1. EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS:

a. Authorizing the County Executive to apply for the New York State Shared Municipal Services Grant Program

2. **OCPL:**

a. Amending the 2006 County Budget to accept additional institutional grant funds for the Onondaga County Public Library and authorizing the County Executive to enter into contracts (\$752)

3. **SHERIFF:**

a. Amending the 2006 County Budget to accept funds and to support the K-9 Unit of the Onondaga County Sheriff's Office (\$2,075)

b. Amending the 2006 County Budget to accept funds and authorizing the County Executive to enter into an agreement with the State of New York Governor's Traffic Safety Committee to provide funding for Enhanced Enforcement of the Safety Seat and Safety Belt Provisions of the New York State Vehicle and Traffic Law (\$16,720)

4. **SOCIAL SERVICES:**

a. Authorizing the establishment of a petty cash fund for the Onondaga County Social Services Department for the purpose of making and providing change (\$160)

5. **COUNTY CLERK:**

a. Amending Resolution No. 125-91 to increase the amount of cash funds for the purpose of providing and making change at the County Clerk's Office

6. **WAYS AND MEANS MISCELLANEOUS:**

a. Calling for a Public Hearing on the Assessment Roll for Southwood-Jamesville Water District

b. Calling for a Public Hearing on the Assessment Roll for Warners Water District

A motion was made by Chairman Meyer, seconded by Mr. Warner to approve all items on the consent agenda. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

WAYS & MEANS REGULAR AGENDA

1. **SOCIAL SERVICES: Mr. David Sutkowy, Commissioner; Mr. Steve Morgan, Exec. Deputy Commissioner**

a. Amending the 2006 County Budget to accept and provide for additional funds in the DSS to support self-employment for adults and youth with disabilities and authorizing the County Executive to enter into contracts (\$1,044,957)

A motion was made by Mr. Stanczyk, seconded by Mr. Warner to approve this item.

Mr. Sutkowy distributed a one-page synopsis (*attachment #1*).

Mr. Kraft questioned if the \$10,000/year will be enough money; Mr. Sutkowy said it would be. SU wants to partner with community organizations, i.e. Enable, Arise, to provide assistance to individuals to develop viable business plans, mentoring relationships, and provide assistance to obtain capitalization if needed. Burton Blatt Institute will operate the program and will determine who gets admitted. It will be promoted through media and a network of human service organizations. There is no county match.

Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

b. Transfer of funds from Acct. 101 Regular Employee Salaries to Acct. 300 Supplies and Materials in the amount of \$20,000 to cover shortfall in the Emergency Medical Fund due to higher than expected demand (\$20,000)

A motion was made by Mr. Kraft, seconded by Mr. Warner to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

c. Authorizing increases for certain burial allowances for eligible recipients for public assistance or care and indigents, and amending Resolution No. 124-1990, as amended (Mrs. Chaplin, Mr. Rhinehart)

Mr. Morgan distributed an informational sheet relating to items 1c and 1d (*attachment #2*).

- During 2007 budget process vaults were increased 100%
- Funds were put in contingency account for remainder or rates
- This proposal increases adults, child, and cremation rates by 25%
- Does not touch smaller fees involved in burials that are rarely used.

A motion was made by Mr. Stanczyk to approve items 1c, 1d, 1e, and 1f.

Mr. Rhinehart said that the amount was proposed during budget review. Chairman Meyer stated that some items were changed and some were not.

Mr. Warner seconded the motion.

Mr. Kraft questioned if other counties were compared to Onondaga. Mr. Morgan said it was provided during the budget process. Chairman Meyer said it was removed because it wasn't relevant; Onondaga has a cemetery and not all other counties do. Onondaga County is not at the high end of the spectrum. Mr. Kraft said he does not like to take money and just allocate it. Chairman Meyer said that there was a great deal of discussion about that. This is based on the money allocated and the only item that they can come close on is the cost of the vault--did not go through a detailed analysis on the actual rental of a hearse, clothing, etc.

It has been 8 years since the cost was increased. Mr. Kraft asked if there are refusals to do the burials; Mr. Morgan replied that they have never had a refusal. Mr. Kraft said that the job is getting done at the lower price, but it may not be equitable. Mr. Morgan believed it was thought to be a reasonable amount of increase until a full study can be done, but even then it may be somewhat arbitrary. The Funeral Directors' Association is intending to do a study.

Chairman Meyer stated that this is not an exact science; there been have lengthy discussions on this. This is dealing with estimated numbers in many categories; have to provide the service; trying to come up with an item where families are not limited to 1 or 2 providers, which is becoming an issue.

Mr. Farrell questioned if there is any reason not to do the full evaluation first. He said that it is not about the differential--would like to do the best job we can. He questioned if this can be done in 2 months. Mr. Morgan said at this time, they are able to have indigent individuals buried. He does not know what a reasonable amount of time is to do a study or who would perform it.

Mr. Stanczyk said that this may not be a perfect number, but the people performing indigent burials are not making any money and perhaps are losing money. People have spent a lot of time coming to these numbers; they happened to equate to what was put in the budget--feels we should go forward Jan. 1st. The key thing is the equity factor.

Mrs. Rapp asked if there was a reason we didn't get a cost analysis. Mr. Morgan said that it would have taken some time; the best information they had with the time frame allowed was to compare to other counties.

Mr. Kraft questioned the funeral directors' losing money--are they losing from what they'd like to charge or what it is costing them; what is the true cost--questioned the baseline. He wants to resolve this and be more secure--offered to research this, if it is held for 30 days.

Mr. Kraft made a motion to hold this item for 30 days.

Mr. Rhinehart said that he was contacted by 2 funeral directors in his district - indigent burials are not just indicative of the city; they happen through the whole county. One of the problems in comparing Onondaga to other counties is that Cayuga Co/ reimburses similarly but also gives additional reimbursements, i.e. casket, vault. They don't have a county cemetery, so they get reimbursed for the fee. They are not required to use a hearse as Onondaga County is. There is no benchmark to compare the various counties. This proposal is for a 25% increase, change the local law written in 1990, and continue with the program as it is.

Mr. Warner questioned what is done in Cayuga County if there is no hearse required. Mr. Rhinehart said that they can go in a pick up or station wagon; Mr. Patchin said it is referred to as a "contact vehicle."

Mr. Farrell seconded the motion to hold this item for 30 days. Mr. Stanczyk objected.

After discussion, Mr. Kraft amended his motion to hold this item until the December 15th, 2006 meeting; seconded by Mr. Farrell. AYES: 2 (Kraft, Farrell); NOES: 5 (Stanczyk, Rapp, Corbett, Warner, Meyer). MOTION FAILED.

Mr. Stanczyk said that this went through the committee process, was looked at by legislators; is supported by DSS and the Chair of Social Services Committee.

A vote was taken on the motion to approve items 1c. AYES: 5 (Stanczyk, Rapp, Corbett, Warner, Meyer); NOES: 0; ABSTAINING: 2 (Farrell, Kraft). MOTION CARRIED.

d. **Authorizing increases for certain burial allowances for indigent veterans and their families and amending Resolution No. 162-1990 (Mrs. Chaplin, Mr. Rhinehart)**

A motion was made by Mr. Stanczyk, seconded by Mr. Warner to approve this item. AYES: 5 (Stanczyk, Rapp, Corbett, Warner, Meyer); NOES: 0; ABSTAINING: 2 (Farrell, Kraft). MOTION CARRIED.

e. **Transfer of funds from DSS Programs Acct. 650 Contingent in the amount of \$62,158 to DSS Programs Acct. 601 Safety Net for an increase in burial fees (\$62,158)**

f. **Transfer of funds from DSS Programs Acct. 650 Contingent in the amount of \$13,842 to Veterans Acct. 410 All Other Expenses for an increase in burial fees (\$13,842)**

A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Warner to approve items 1e and 1f. AYES: 5 (Stanczyk, Rapp, Corbett, Warner, Meyer); NOES: 0; ABSTAINING: 2 (Farrell, Kraft). MOTION CARRIED.

2. WATER ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION: Mr. Richard Elander, Commissioner

a. **Authorizing an Intermunicipal Agreement with the City of Syracuse for sewer separation for CSO basin 050**

A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Corbett to approve this item. Out of room: Mr.. Farrell; passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

3. DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Mr. Barry Weiss, Administrative Officer

a. **Amending the 2007 County Budget to provide the Office of the Onondaga County District Attorney with additional funds beyond the estimated dollars appropriated in the 2007 County Budget and authorizing the County Executive to enter into contracts to implement this resolution (\$85,000)**

A motion was made by Mr. Warner, seconded by Mr. Stanczyk to approve this item. Out of room: Mr. Farrell; Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

4. VAN DUYN: Mrs. Roberta Sprague, Commissioner

a. **Transfer of funds from Acct. 408 Fees for Services (\$95,000) and Acct. 413 Maintenance, Utilities & Rents (\$15,000) to Acct. 215 Furniture to cover the costs of replacing outdated and/or broken resident care equipment and upgrading current technological infrastructure (\$110,000)**

A motion was made by Mr. Stanczyk, seconded by Mr. Farrell to approve this item.

Technology infrastructure is needed - wiring, hubs for server, and computers and printers are needed to move toward the era that the rest of the county has been in. \$30,000 is for new time clocks for Kronos that are needed for the upgrade of the system. One patient chair lift and privacy curtains will be purchased.

Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

b. **Transfer of funds from Acct. 300 Supplies & Materials (\$125,000) and Acct. 413 Maintenance, Utilities & Rents (\$7,500) to Acct. 410 All Other Expenses to cover higher than anticipated costs in security services and bad debt write-offs (\$132,500)**

The cost for security services increased from \$10/hr to \$14/hr. Had more bad debt this year - one account alone was a \$170,000 loss. The case was with the Law Dept for approx. 4 years; a resident's sister lived out of town and was in charge of the funds. Despite efforts of the lawyers they could not come to any agreement to recoup those dollars.

A motion was made by Mr. Stanczyk, seconded by Mr. Meyer to approve this item.

Mr. Warner asked how often this happens; Mrs. Sprague said it doesn't happen often for that large of an amount, but does happen for lesser amounts. There are many reasons that they are not able to secure the funds. Ms. Frigon said that the sister held a joint account and would not provide the information for complete the Medicaid application. Mr. Kraft questioned if those issues are pursued at the time of admission. Mrs. Sprague stated that they are--they have an arrangement with an employee of DSS Medicaid Unit who works intently with Van Duyn and helps at the point of admission. This is a new process. Ms. Frigon stated that the resident paid privately for a period of time.

Mr. Farrell requested a 5-year run of lost revenues, including those that relate to inside and outside of Onondaga County. If the number is substantial also address what the plan is to reduce it.

Mr. Corbett said that a red flag should appear when up to a certain amount that the payment just stops. Internally in the organization there ought to be something to address that immediately. It appears that is the reason for the DSS employee. Mr. Warner asked how many residents come to Van Duyn with funds totally extinguished. Ms. Frigon did not know off hand; 80% are Medicaid covered - no funds on their own.

Mr. Stanczyk said that some of this is a management issue; the assumption should be made that at some point in time the person is going to person to be paid for by federal and state funds; should insist on full disclosure of assets even if there are joint assets - need to shore up the front-end information gathering. Mr. Colon added that if someone has applied for Medicaid and denied; they have the right to appeal and it takes from 6 - 9 mos., during that period we are still providing services to them.

Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

c. **Abolish Stenographer 3, Gr. 7 @ \$31,479-\$34,791 effective December 11, 2006; Create Administrative Aide, Gr. 7 @ \$31,479 - \$34,791 effective December 11, 2006**

A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mrs. Rapp to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

5. **TRANSPORTATION: Mr. Mark Lynch, Commissioner**

a. **Authorizing the County of Onondaga to accept real property obtained by the State of New York relative to the Route 173/175 improvements project**

A motion was made by Mr. Farrell, seconded by Mr. Stanczyk to approve this item. Out of room: Mr. Corbett; Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

b. **Amending the 2006 County Budget and advancing 100% of the non-federal eligible costs for the construction and construction inspection phases of Jamesville Road Bridge over Butternut Creek, C-26, BIN 3312910, PIN 3753.33, at a maximum cost of \$3,648,000**

This is a replacement project; total cost is \$3.684 million; \$192,000 is county share; \$3.72 million is federal share; \$576,000 is state Marchiselli funds. It will be ready to go this spring. Replace existing structure; installation of a temporary structure to facilitate traffic; hope to get work done in one construction season. Sizeable trucks go through that area; highway work is being done as well; adding a left turn lane into the quarry.

A motion was made by Mr. Farrell, seconded by Mr. Stanczyk to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

c. **Amending the 2007 County Budget to provide additional funds for the purchase of gasoline and diesel fuel to be sold to the Marcellus Town, Village and School District and to the Marcellus and Navarino Fire Departments, and authorizing the County Executive to enter into contracts (\$18,060).**

A motion was made by Mr. Stanczyk, seconded by Mr. Kraft to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

They have a computerized, keypad system to keep track of it--it identifies operators and vehicles. A nominal fee is charged on top of the price per gallon; they bill monthly. Navarino Fire Department has been added.

6. **HEALTH: Mrs. Jean Smiley, Deputy Commissioner**

a. **Abolish Director, Healthy State Program, Gr. 35 @ \$62,855 - \$88,678 effective December 9, 2006; Create Program Coordinator (Healthy Start), Gr. 13 @ \$50,391 - \$53,869 effective December 9, 2006**

The Director of Healthy Start has taken a new position with Syracuse Model Neighborhood Facility. Asking to abolish the director title; and create a program coordinator. She clarified that the position will be slotted at step B (originally thought to be step A, which was noted at program committee).

A motion was made by Mr. Farrell, seconded by Mr. Kraft to approve this item. *Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

****Mr. Stanczyk left the meeting.***

b. **Transfer funds from Correctional Health Acct. 300 Supplies & Matls. (\$170,000) and DSS Programs Acct. 618 Medical Asst. Payments by State (\$150,000) to Correctional Health Acct. 408 Fees for Svcs. to cover inmate medical costs \$320,000)**

Transfer needed due to increased inmate medical care; actual expense last year was \$846,588; 2006 were only budgeted for \$547,000. To date have already expended \$445,000 and have 3 mos. of outstanding bills. For Oct they have at least 14 hospitalization outstanding. They only pay at the Medicaid rate.

A motion was made by Mrs. Rapp, seconded by Mr. Farrell to approve this item. Out of room: Mr. Kraft; *passed unanimously. MOTION CARRIED.

7. METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD:

a. Confirming an amendment to the currently effective schedule of rates to be charged for water and water service provided by the Onondaga County Water District

It was explained during the 2007 budget process that in order to support the expenses they have, they would need a wholesale rate increase from \$.89/1000 to \$.95/1000. It was approved in terms of the adopted 2007 budget; a public hearing is scheduled for Dec. 5th; now seeking to have confirming resolution passed at the session after the public hearing, assuming results of the public hearing are favorable. Chairman Meyer asked how much increase the homeowners will have per year. Mr. Fitch estimated about \$3.70/year as a result of consequences of this rate increase for the wholesale rates. The Authority may have other reasons to increase their rates.

A motion was made by Mr. Corbett, seconded by Mr. Meyer to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

b. Transfer of funds from Acct. 650 Contingent Fund in the amount of \$50,000 to Acct. 300 Supplies and Materials to purchase two truck loads of granulated activated carbon utilized to control taste and odor problems (\$50,000)

A motion was made by Mr. Corbett, seconded by Mr. Farrell to approve this item. *Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

8. WAYS AND MEANS MISCELLANEOUS:

a. Increasing income limitation relative to partial exemption from real property taxes for persons 65 years of age & over

A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Corbett to approve this item. *Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

b. A Local Law amending Local Law No. 5-1998, as amended by Local Law No. 1-2001, Local Law No. 10-2003, and Local Law No. 1-2004, to increase the maximum income eligibility levels for the partial real property tax exemption to persons with disabilities whose incomes are limited by reason of such disabilities

A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Corbett to approve this item. *Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

- c. Bear Trap - Ley Creek Drainage District Tax - General Apportionment**
- d. Bear Trap - Ley Creek Drainage District Tax Town of Clay Apportionment**
- e. Bear Trap - Ley Creek Drainage District Tax Town of DeWitt Apportionment**
- f. Bear Trap - Ley Creek Drainage District Tax Town of Salina Apportionment**

A motion was made by Mr. Farrell, seconded by Mrs. Rapp to approve items 8c, 8d, 8e, 8f. *Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

g. Authorizing General Apportionment of Harbor Brook Drainage District Tax (\$375,755)

A motion was made by Mr. Corbett, seconded by Mr. Farrell to approve this item. *Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

h. Harbor Brook Drainage District Tax Town of Geddes Apportionment (\$10,432.24)

A motion was made by Mr. Corbett, seconded by Mr. Farrell to approve this item. *Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

i. 2007 City Drainage District Abstract (\$726,338.32)

*A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Corbett. *Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

- j. Bloody Brook Drainage District Tax - General Apportionment (\$246,603)

*A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Farrell to approve this item. *Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

- k. Bloody Brook Drainage District Tax Town of Clay Apportionment (\$52,499.54)

*A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Corbett to approve this item. *Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

- l. Bloody Brook Drainage District Tax Town of Salina Apportionment (\$194,103.46)

*A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Corbett to approve this item. *Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

- m. Meadowbrook Drainage District Tax General Apportionment (\$540315)

*A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Farrell to approve this item. *Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

- n. Meadowbrook Drainage District Tax Town of DeWitt Apportionment (\$236,976.32)

*A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Farrell to approve this item. *Passed unanimously. MOTION CARRIED.*

- o. Allocation of 2007 Onondaga County Water District Special Assessment among zones of assessment and fixing composite rates for the several towns and the City of Syracuse within said District

*A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Corbett to approve this item. *Passed unanimously. MOTION CARRIED.*

- p. Onondaga County Sanitary District General Apportionment - \$54.2 million

Mr. Kraft stated that he would like the total amount included in the resolution.

*A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Farrell to approve this item. *Passed unanimously. MOTION CARRIED.*

- q. Onondaga County Water District 2007 City Abstract

*A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Farrell to approve this item. *Passed unanimously. MOTION CARRIED.*

- r. Onondaga County Sanitary District, 2007 City Abstract

*A motion was made by Mr. Meyer, seconded by Mr. Farrell to approve this item. *Passed unanimously. MOTION CARRIED.*

- s. Memorializing U.S. Congress to take measures needed to assist NYS & local governments in retaining HAVA funds (Mr. Warner)

A motion was made by Mr. Warner, seconded by Mr. Meyer to approve this item.

Chairman Meyer stated that this is a complex issue; urged members to contact commissioners before 12/15 to give their input.

Mr. Warner said that we are in danger of losing \$50 million of federal aid to help replace lever machines; this asks congress to not rescind the \$50 million. NYS is the last state to not to comply with federal standards.

Mrs. Rapp, Mr. Farrell, Mr. Corbett, Mr. Kraft, and Mr. Meyer asked to co-sponsor this resolution.

****Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.***

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

DEBORAH L. MATURO, Clerk

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Related Documents

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