

Minutes

Public Facilities Committee

October 19, 2020, 4:00 p.m.

Virtual Meeting via Zoom and Live-Streamed for public viewing

Gerace Office Building, Mayville, N.Y.

Members Present: Hemmer, Gould, Davis, Nazzaro, Scudder

Others: Tampio, Ames, Dennison, Bentley, Chagnon, Carrow, Almeter, Abdella, Crow, McCoy

Chairman Hemmer called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Approval of Minutes (08/17/20)

MOVED by Legislator Scudder, SECONDED by Legislator Davis to approve the minutes.

Unanimously Carried

Privilege of the Floor

Clerk Tampio: We have not received any communications.

Proposed Resolution – Confirm Appointments – South & Center Chautauqua Lake Sewer Districts Board

Mr. Abdella: Mr. Chairman, I'll just clarify that Mr. Ortman had previously been approved by the Legislature back in 2019, but we neglected to specify his term of appointment that's stated in the first whereas clause. So, this is setting a six year term that corresponds to the end of the term of Sally Carlson who was the prior board member.

Secondly, Mr. Yates who has been recommended by the board for appointment and who is the Town of North Harmony Supervisor and the Town of North Harmony is largely in the extension area of the westside extension of that district. As reflected here, he would fill the remaining term of Neal Robbins.

Chairman Hemmer: Thank you very much.

Legislator Chagnon: Mr. Chairman?

Chairman Hemmer: Yes?

Legislator Chagnon: I am the county's legislature representative on this sewer district board and we are delighted to have Robert Yates willing to serve on the board as he is the Town of North Harmony Supervisor and as the county attorney pointed out the west side extension, which is completing final design and will be going to bid early next year is entirely within the Town of North Harmony. It's very important that we have representation from that area and Rob Yates has previous experience- substantial experience with pipeline construction. So, his experience and his representation will be very, very important to this sewer district board. We're enthusiastic about this nomination.

Legislator Gould: You should be. I know Robert Yates very well and he comes highly recommended by myself.

Chairman Hemmer: Thank you. Two glowing endorsements. It sounds like we are very fortunate to have him join the board and especially at this time with the extension in the works. Anyone else have anything? All in favor? Opposed?

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Accept Donation for Parks Westside Overland Trail Improvements

Mr. Bentley: Good afternoon. I was approached by a potential donor to the parks about donating money and he was curious how to donate money without it just going to the regular operating fund. He actually wanted to donate it to capital improvements or something that could be not lost in the weeds. I told him one way to do it was by resolution and have it donated to the capital improvements of the parks because that would be a kind of fenced in type of account. This resolution is in recognition of Robert Van Every that wanted to donate the \$500. Once this gets approved by the legislature he would write me a check and put this into the capital improvements to fix bridges, railings, other very needed improvements to our trail system. I wish I had more \$500 donors, but we'll take the money and do what we can with it. No local share.

Chairman Hemmer: Anyone have anything to add about this donation?

Legislator Nazzaro: I just want to thank Mr. Van Every for his generosity and we certainly appreciate it and it will be put to good use, so thank you.

Chairman Hemmer: I want to thank him also. Mr. Van Every is a gentleman who actually gets out there on the trails and sees where they need to be maintained and it's great that he's stepping forward to help out with it. Any other comments? All in favor? Opposed?

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution - Adjust 2020 Adopted Budget for Public Facilities Energy Generation Accounts

Mr. Bentley: If you recall, there was a power plant fire back about a year ago or maybe two years-
(*Cross-talk*)

Mr. Bentley: And we received an advance on the insurance funds to pay our bills from our insurance company and we put it into an account that we thought was where it needed to go (*inaudible*) and we need to move that. If Kathleen is on she can explain more from the accounting side. But just to give you an update of where that stands-

(*Cross-talk*)

Mr. Bentley: And I believe they're pretty close to testing it. (*Inaudible*) has been taken off site and we've been working on putting it back together (*inaudible*.) All the monies have been expended back to pay bills. It was really just an expedience thing. Kathleen, is there anything else on the accounting side?

Mrs. Dennison: I don't think so. It's just that we are receiving the money, so we want to recognize that revenue and we're planning to spend that money so we're increasing the contractual classification to allow us to expend that additional money for expenses related to the fire.

Legislator Nazzaro: Mr. Chairman, I have a question. I had a little trouble hearing. What was the total amount of the anticipated damages? We're getting \$150,000 for two engines- did the damages exceed the \$150,000 to get them repaired?

Mr. Bentley: Yes, by a wide margin. This was just an advance payment so we could pay the early bills and not have to wait for the final insurance adjustments to come in. We had some contractors come in and clean stuff up- instead of having to wait 6 months to get things paid, we can pay them out of pocket now without the County having to front the money since this was an insurance thing. So, the total cost of this – I haven't seen the final bill yet, but we're probably talking \$300,000-\$400,000 per unit.

Legislator Nazzaro: And do we have – what's the deductible? Do we have a deductible?

Mr. Bentley: I guess I'm not sure. I'm not aware of anything that we've paid out of pocket yet.

Legislator Nazzaro: I'm just wondering if there will be- usually on insurance claims, not always, you have an out of pocket cost and I'm just trying to understand what that out of pocket cost would be because you're saying the total damages is estimated at \$300,000-\$400,000 per unit. So, I just wonder what our exposure is.

Mr. Bentley: I'll have to get back to you on that because I don't know exactly what the number is. Kitty might know.

Ms. Crow: I don't know off the top of my head, but we'll ask Dennis and get back to everyone. I just looked for him, but I think he might have left for the day.

Legislator Nazzaro: I realize this is an enterprise account, but I was just trying to get a handle on it.

(Cross-talk)

Mr. Bentley: I haven't seen a final bill yet, but we'll probably get that when everything kind of settles out.

Legislator Nazzaro: O.K., thank you.

Chairman Hemmer: Thank you for that question. We probably better keep track of that and make sure that we know what that's going to add to the enterprise account. Any other questions? All in favor of the proposed resolution? Opposed?

Unanimously Carried

Other

Chairman Hemmer: Under other we have a late resolution. .

Proposed Resolution – Adjust 2020 Budget for Public Facilities Maintenance of Roads Account

Mr. Bentley: We needed to increase by \$10,000 our pavement markings. Some are aware, but our budget was reduced during the COVID by \$25,000, but we had to get *(inaudible)* to buy just a little bit extra paint just to make sure we had the markings on the roads. So, we needed an extra \$10,000 and we're covering that through our maintenance of roads and also sale of property and some insurance money that we had gotten in from someone hitting a light pole. So, really this is just a little bit of clean up just to get some money back *(inaudible)* without asking for it through local share increase.

Chairman Hemmer: Sounds good. Thank you. Any questions concerning this one? Opposed?

Unanimously Carried

Discussion – County Cleaning Update – Brad Bentley

Discussion – Light Duty Vehicle Leasing for DPF Update – Brad Bentley

Discussion – Potential Weir Repairs on the Chadokoin River – Brad Bentley & Dave McCoy

MOVED by Legislator Gould, SECONDED by Legislator Davis to adjourn.

Unanimously Carried (4:53 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted and transcribed,
Olivia Ames, Deputy Clerk