

Minutes

Public Safety Committee

November 13, 2019, 4:15 pm, Room 331

Gerace Office Building, Mayville, NY

Members Present: Niebel, Whitford, Bankoski, Vanstrom

Member Absent: Pavlock

Others: Tampio, Ames, Griffith, Dennison, Narraway, Braley

Chairman Niebel called the meeting to order at 4: 15 p.m.

Approval of Minutes (10/16//19)

MOVED by Legislator Bankoski, SECONDED by Legislator Vanstrom

Unanimously Carried

Privilege of the Floor

No one chose to speak at this time.

Proposed Resolution - Amend 2020 Budget Appropriations and/or Revenues – Public Defender

Mrs. Dennison: Mr. Barone called me this afternoon and unfortunately he's ill so he apologizes for not being able to attend. But this resolution is a resolution that I encouraged the Public Defender to consider. For quite some time we have had a sub-department within the Public Defender for other State aid, for Aid to Defense. We have allocated fixed expenditures for at least part of one Public Defender and then we do receive grant revenue from the State for that endeavor. But having the separate department really isn't benefitting us in any way. We will continue to receive it but it doesn't completely cover one Public Defender and there are a number of Public Defenders that can engage in this activity. So, it doesn't really make sense for us to continue to pick one position and allocate it to this sub-department. So what the resolution does is, just to essentially move all of the 2020 budget for the Aid to Defense sub-department into the main department, A.1170 for the Public Defender.

Chairman Niebel: It's a consolidation.

Mrs. Dennison: Yes. It consolidates the budget and it will streamline the accounting for this grant in the future.

Chairman Niebel: Make it easier for you and the Public Defender's office.

Mrs. Dennison: Yes.

Chairman Niebel: Well, I'm all in favor of that. Any questions?

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Lease Agreement w/ Celebration Hall, LLC, for Office Space for the Chautauqua County Probation Department

Mr. Narraway: As part of the Raise the Age process, we are required to appear at arraignments in youth part, in Judge Cass's court. With our offices in Dunkirk and Jamestown and 99% of the time, when we got to the arraignment it would be over just because of our locations of our staff and how quickly that process goes. So when we did our Raise the Age budget proposal, the State approved some rent money for us to rent a space up here. We negotiated a lease at the old Mayville School to site a new office, limited staffing.

Chairman Niebel: This is just to help your department as far as logistics?

Mr. Narraway: Yes.

Legislator Vanstrom: Sounds sensible.

Chairman Niebel: Any questions?

Mrs. Dennison: If I could request a small amendment. When Tom and I worked on this resolution, the 2020 budget had not yet been adopted and so the resolution references the proposed 2020 budget. That budget has now been adopted so I think we should change the word proposed –

Chairman: Niebel: Just cross it out?

Mrs. Dennison: We could eliminate it because we don't always refer to – we don't always include adopted when we're referring to the 2020 budget. So it could be removed or we could change proposed to adopted with a capital "A".

Legislator Bankoski: Could we consider that as a typo?

Chairman Niebel: You read my mind Bob. Folks, what would be the easiest? Can we just strike the word proposed and just go with 2020 and treat it as a typo?

Clerk Tampio: I think to be save, you should require a motion to change that. It's not like the first (*cross talk/inaudible*)... a motion would be fine.

Chairman Niebel: You would like it changed to adopted?

Clerk Tampio: It's up to you, I guess adopted would be o.k.

Mrs. Dennison: I would go with adopted. We don't put that in every resolution. I probably should be adding it to all resolutions. So adopted with a capital.

Chairman Niebel: O.k.

Legislator Vanstrom: I will make that motion.

Legislator Bankoski: Second.

Chairman Niebel: Those in favor?

Unanimously Carried – amendment

Chairman Niebel: Now on the resolution as amended. All those in favor?

Unanimously Carried as amended

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Execution for New York State Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Grant for Bomb Squad Initiative Program

Under Sheriff Braley: This is a continuing grant that we have received for several different years. The 2020 budget has already been addressed for the receipt of this and this is basically just authorizing the County Executive to receive the funds from this grant.

Chairman Niebel: Just authorizes him to sign agreements. Any questions of Darryl?

Legislator Vanstrom: Looks like State money coming (*inaudible*)...

Chairman Niebel: Those in favor?

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Agreement with Chautauqua-Cattaraugus Erie II BOCES for School Resource Officers

Under Sheriff Braley: We have three BOCES facilities within the County, the LoGuidice, Hewes Center and then they have a special program that they run in Cassadaga. We devote one officer to that special program and we have a second SRO who divides his time between LoGuidice and Hewes Center on alternating days. So this is for those two officers. The entire contract is put together as one.

Chairman Niebel: This is kind of a large agreement, \$224,000.

Legislator Bankoski: It's usually around \$75,000 a guy or something like that.

Under Sheriff Braley: We tried to make some adjustments to some of these agreements going forward to reflect actual cost of salaries, fringes, vehicle and expenses involved.

Legislator Vanstrom: It shouldn't say local on this should it because it's coming from BOCES. Why does it act like there is a local amount being involved? Is that right? That doesn't make sense to me.

Chairman Niebel: Darryl, on the back where it talks about fiscal implications and source of funds, it does say local.

Legislator Vanstrom: But it shouldn't if BOCES is paying for everything.

Chairman Niebel: It's probably State then.

Mrs. Dennison: The source of funds is particularly the revenue source of funds so the revenue is coming from BOCES not from a Federal – I mean, it's coming from BOCES. It's not coming directly from a Federal or State source.

Legislator Bankoski: But it's not Chautauqua County.

Under Sheriff Braley: It's revenue coming –

Chairman Niebel: It's revenue coming into us from BOCES –

Mrs. Dennison: From a local entity.

Under Sheriff Braley: But it's not local share.

Mrs. Dennison: It's not local share.

Chairman Niebel: Do you still have a question? It's not local share.

Legislator Vanstrom: I always look at that and that box tells you a lot.

Chairman Niebel: So do I. It's a little confusing but it's not a State agency and it's certainly not a Federal agency.

Legislator Bankoski: It's going to be local funded by not Chautauqua County.

Legislator Vanstrom: But it's a revenue. Maybe we should have this amended or something, source of funds, so it's more clear to the people that have to vote on this, like us. (*Inaudible*) local revenue or a Federal revenue or a local expense or Federal expense because it doesn't tell us – does it?

Under Sheriff Braley: If I could interject but the rest of these contracts pretty much indicate the same or there are a quite a few of them there for local municipalities for court officers.

Chairman Niebel: Lisa, I don't know that we need to change these forms. I think possibly an explanation from Darryl and Kathleen should suffice on this. It's not coming from Chautauqua County but we really can't call it a –

Legislator Vanstrom: What do you call it, other?

Chairman Niebel: Well, I guess it could be under other.

Legislator Vanstrom: I would like to see it under other. That makes sense because otherwise people like us get confused.

Chairman Niebel: Are you o.k. with it this time and in the future have it under other or would you like to change it to other?

Legislator Vanstrom: Can we just change it to other?

Legislator Bankoski: All of these are marked under local. Everything that's on the agenda, all these court details are all marked under local.

Legislator Vanstrom: When do we use the other box, there is my next question. Not for you Darryl.

Chairman Niebel: Maybe going forward in the future, we'll take a closer look at these. Lisa does raise a point. This probably would be more appropriate under other funding than local funding, but how about if we let it go this time Lisa and then in the future we'll have it –

Legislator Vanstrom: Bob said yes, we're going to let it go this time.

Chairman Niebel: Any other questions?

Unanimously Carried

Chairman Niebel: Four resolutions, five through ten, these are all going to be pretty similar. They all run from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. That hourly rate is \$31.15 for each one of these proposed resolutions. So I'll just read these, if anybody has any questions, please ask.

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Agreement with Town of Stockton for Court Security Detail FY20

Chairman Niebel: Any questions?

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution - Authorize Agreement with Town of North Harmony for Court Security
Detail FY20

Chairman Niebel: Any questions?

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution - Authorize Agreement with Town of Ellery for Court Security
Detail FY20

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Unanimously Carried

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Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution - Authorize Agreement with Town of Kiantone for Court Security
Detail FY20

Chairman Niebel: Any questions?

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution - Authorize Agreement with Village of Silver Creek for Court Security
Detail FY20

Chairman Niebel: Any questions?

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution - FY2018 Hazardous Materials Grant Program

Mr. Griffith: This is a Haz Mat grant which we get luckily every year. This is a regional partnership grant that comes through our office. It works for the counties of Chautauqua, Cattaraugus, and Allegheny County, put together by Haz Mat Coordinator Dan Imfeld in the amount of \$94,000. So this is the increase in appropriation account offset by the increase in revenue account. This grant has no local match and no local funds attached to it.

Chairman Niebel: Any questions of John?

Legislator Whitford: How many are certified in the Haz Mat in the County?

Mr. Griffith: Haz Mat team?

Legislator Whitford: Yes.

Mr. Griffith: I'm going to say there is about 20. I can't tell you the exact number.

Legislator Whitford: And they are scattered throughout the County?

Mr. Griffith : Throughout the County. Some will respond to Mayville to get the equipment, some will respond to the scene depends on what their location is and things like that. A lot of times the guys who get to the scene first, they are doing the assessment, size up, (*inaudible*) back to Dan and to me to tell us what is going on so we know what we need there. We have responded out of the County before, it's part of this agreement. We can respond all the way out through Allegheny County or further if (*inaudible*) mutual aid plan would require that. We have the most robust Haz Mat team in all the southwestern New York State. We have a great Haz Mat team. Dan Imfeld does wonderful job.

Legislator Vanstrom: I want to go on the record in saying Dan Imfeld does do a tremendous job. I've known Dan for a long time.

Mr. Griffith: He does. He does a great job. I will tell ya, nothing like I better than to hear Dan on the radio and then call him on the phone and say, Dan what do we have? He'll tell me I got it taken care of and that's fantastic. Everything from tankers of gasoline upside down to pump them out and drill them out. It's incredible what those guys can do.

Legislator Whitford: Their response times are quick.

Chairman Niebel: This grant covers three counties, Chautauqua, Cattaraugus, and Allegheny, plus the Nation. Who takes the lead on this?

Mr. Griffith: Dan. We do.

Chairman Niebel: Please thank him on behalf of the Committee. He does a great job and thank you guys for being the lead agency on this. Any other questions of John?

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution - Emergency Management Preparedness Performance Grant for Fiscal Year 2019

Mr. Griffith: This is a grant that we receive annually. This is a 50% match grant with the County. These funds go towards offsetting the labor cost in our department. As it say, exercise in planning, training exercises, public preparedness, emergency alert and notification systems. This

is where our paging system comes out of this grant also. The grant money was budgeted into the 2019 budget a long time ago.

Chairman Niebel: Any questions?

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution - Amend 2019 Budget Appropriations and Revenues – Emergency Services – CME

Mr. Griffith: This is continuing medical education and the revenues have exceeded the budget but also the expenses are so this is a revenue increase and appropriation increase also of \$9,200 for continuing medical education which is very successful in keeping EMT certified because if they do this, they don't have to (*inaudible*) through the New York State refresher class and test. It's very nice. It's probably the only thing keeping me as an EMT.

Chairman Niebel: Any questions of John?

Unanimously Carried

Other

Chairman Niebel: Under other, we have another proposed resolution.

Proposed Resolution - Amend 2019 Budget for State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant Award

Mr. Griffith: This is our interoperable radio grant funding. This is for two mobile radios for our Medical Directors. This is money into the budget from a grant, money out of the budget to offset the expense so no local share. Simply a pass through transaction.

Chairman Niebel: Any questions?

Unanimously Carried

Proposed Resolution – Authorize Agreement with Town of Harmony for Court Security Detail FY20

Chairman Niebel: Darryl, could you just come up and just over over Harmony just briefly. I mean, this is very similar to some of the other contracts that we have. We're not going to be able to act on this, we're just going to refer it to Audit & Control because apparently it didn't have a chance to go through all the different departments that it should have. So, just briefly touch on it.

Under Sheriff Braley: I apologize for the lateness of this thing and I appreciate all the effort that everybody has put into it. This is identical to the other ones. It's a Harmony township

request as opposed to North Harmony. We just dropped the ball on getting it prefiled. Same type of thing, they would like court security officer a couple of nights a month for the coming year. They just put a \$4,000 cap on that amount with that \$31.15 dollar amount.

Chairman Niebel: Any questions of Darryl on this one? Folks on this one, we're just going to refer this proposed resolution to Audit & Control. It hasn't gone through all the different departments it needs to. Not everybody had signed off on this so, we'll refer it to Audit & Control for tomorrow morning. Darryl, this one might not have made it but you had a lot of other resolutions here today. Sometimes we don't get these until December, I mean, I've seen some of these after the first of the year, after the fiscal year has already started so, I do want to compliment you and the department on all these proposed resolutions that you did have ready. Thank you and thank whoever worked with you to get these wrapped up.

Under Sheriff Braley: John Swan puts a lot of work into that and the Sheriff will be here tomorrow for Audit & Control.

Chairman Niebel: Thank you. Is there anything else that anybody would like to bring to the floor?

MOVED by Legislator Bankoski, SECONDED by Legislator Vanstrom to adjourn.

Unanimously Carried (4:37 p.m.)

Respectfully submitted and transcribed,
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