

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 23, 2022
1:30 P.M.

PRESENT: D. Knapp, E. Gott, D. LeFeber, D. Pangrazio, J. Deming, M. Falk, M. Walker, D. Wester, I. Coyle, A. Ellis
ABSENT: W. Wadsworth, D. Babbitt Henry, D. Fanaro

Ways & Means Chair Dwight Knapp asked District Attorney Greg McCaffrey to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

PERSONNEL ISSUES

COUNTY HISTORIAN – IAN COYLE

1. APPOINTING THE COUNTY HISTORIAN – HOLLY WATSON

WHEREAS, the office of County Historian will become vacant on May 27, 2022; and
WHEREAS, the County Administrator has recommended the appointment of a County Historian pursuant to his powers and duties as specified in Section 4 (C) of Local Law 6-2007; and
WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors wishes to make an appointment consistent with these recommendations; now, therefore, be it
RESOLVED, that the 2022 Department Head Salary Schedule is amended as follows:

County Historian

Appoint Holly Watson, 5102 Geneseo-Mt. Morris Road, Mt. Morris, NY 14510 to the position of County Historian effective May 29, 2022 with an annual salary of \$55,250.00.

Mr. Coyle reviewed his early thoughts on the succession planning to appoint Holly Watson upon the retirement of Amie Alden in lieu of a formal recruitment.

Motion: Mr. Pangrazio moved and Mr. Gott seconded to approve the foregoing resolution..... Carried.

2. DISTRICT ATTORNEY – GREG MCCAFFREY

AMENDING THE 2022 LIVINGSTON COUNTY SALARY SCHEDULE: DISTRICT ATTORNEY

RESOLVED, that the 2022 Livingston County Salary Schedule is amended as follows:

District Attorney:

- Create one full-time Clerk Typist position at Wage Grade 2 CSEA Contract effective immediately.
- Delete one full-time Senior Legal Typist at Wage Grade 11 effective immediately.

For: Meet the changing demands of 2020 criminal justice reform and to address the changing demands of the position.

Mr. McCaffrey reviewed the position for creation.

Motion: Mr. Gott moved and Mr. Pangrazio seconded to create the full time Clerk Typist position Carried.

Motion: Mr. LeFeber moved and Mr. Gott seconded to delete the full time Senior Legal Typist position Carried.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT– BILL BACON

Pre-approved Informational Item(s) To Be Reported

1. ARPA Funding request for Tourism Re-Grant Program

Mr. Bacon reviewed the request for ARPA funding and what encompasses the tourism re-grant program.

Motion: Mr. Gott moved and Mr. Pangrazio seconded to approve an ARPA request resolution Carried.

INFORMATION & TECHNOLOGY SERVICES – JASON PARKER

Pre-approved Informational Item(s) To Be Reported

1. ARPA Funding request

Mr. Parker reviewed the ARPA funding projects he is requesting. There was discussion on host servers and the replacement that infrastructure. Mr. Parker reviewed the capital portion of the ITS budget, project expenses and any impact to the 2023 budget planning. Mr. Coyle reviewed discussions with the auditors on the capital use of ARPA dollars and explained the difference between one time use with a tight timeline and concurrent tasks funded by the regular CIP funds.

Motion: Mr. Gott moved and Mr. Pangrazio seconded to approve the foregoing resolution..... Carried.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR – IAN COYLE

Action Item(s) To Be Reported

1. APPROVING ABSTRACT OF CLAIMS #5B-MAY 25, 2022

RESOLVED, that the Livingston County Board of Supervisors approves the Abstract of Claims #5B dated May 25, 2022 in the total amount of \$2,464,917.06.

Motion: Mr. Pangrazio moved and Mr. Gott seconded to approve the foregoing resolution..... Carried.

2. AMENDING 2022 LIVINGSTON COUNTY BUDGET: CONTINGENCY/PERSONNEL

RESOLVED, that the Livingston County Treasurer is authorized and directed to make the requested Budget Amendments per the Budget Amendment entries that have been approved by the Livingston County Administrator.

Mr. Coyle reviewed the amendment for approval.

Motion: Mr. Gott moved and Mr. Pangrazio seconded to approve the foregoing resolution..... Carried.

3. AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO SUBMIT REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION TO THE NEW YORK STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL AND NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION FOR USE OF AKZO NOBEL SETTLEMENT FUNDS

WHEREAS, on December 23, 2014, an Order On Consent and Administrative Settlement was entered into by and among the State of New York, the County of Livingston, Akzo Nobel, Inc. and Akzo Nobel Salt Inc. (collectively "Akzo Nobel") for purposes of addressing the Retsof Salt Mine collapse that occurred on March 12, 1994. Said Order required Akzo Nobel to pay \$20,000,000.00 jointly to the State and the County with the understanding the proceeds would be used to address the impacts of the collapse; and

WHEREAS, for coordination of the recovered settlement funds, the Office of the New York State Attorney General ("AG's Office"), the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation ("DEC"), and the County of Livingston entered into a Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU"); and

WHEREAS, the Livingston County Board of Supervisors authorized the County Administrator to form a committee for purposes of providing recommendations on projects to be funded through the use of the Akzo Nobel settlement funds; and

WHEREAS, based upon the recommendation of the newly created Akzo Settlement Committee, the Board of Supervisors previously approved the use of \$350,000.00 of the settlement funds for a regional water project aimed at assessing and addressing the impacts of the mine collapse, specifically a project for a Planning and Engineering Report with preliminary design focused on improving public drinking water infrastructure for the Towns of Leicester and York. On July 8, 2021, the AG's Office and the DEC approved the use of these funds, which were ultimately used to pay the expense of this effort. Said report is a necessary component to initial stages to the overall project; and

WHEREAS, the Akzo Settlement Committee, after discussion and consideration, now recommends that an additional \$700,000.00 of the settlement funds be used to pay for expenses associated with the regional water project's final design and engineering including the environmental review, funding applications, and project design which are all necessary to further advance the project; and

WHEREAS, the Akzo Settlement Committee also recommends leveraging grant opportunities, when available, and at this time the County has been invited to apply to the Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) for funding through the State Economic & Infrastructure Development Investment Program (SEID). Subject to the grant award, the Committee recommends a portion of the \$700,000.00 be used to fund the required federal match for the grant, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Livingston County Board of Supervisors does hereby support the recommendations of the Akzo Settlement Committee and the County Administrator is hereby authorized to submit the required documentation to the AG's Office and the DEC for purposes of obtaining their approval to utilize \$700,000.00 in Akzo Nobel settlement funds for the above-mentioned project as required by the MOU. Mr. Coyle reviewed the resolution for approval. The County Attorney developed this draft to mirror previous actions the County has done to use these settlement funds.

Motion: Mr. Gott moved and Mr. LeFeber seconded to approve the foregoing resolution..... Carried.

Pre-approved Informational Item(s) To Be Reported

1. Sales Tax Report-Mr. Coyle reviewed the press release on the sales tax relief done at the last board meeting. We are currently up 17.25% compared to last year.
2. Admin/Finance Update-The Shared Services grant has been received and there will be distributions. We will be doing a single redistribution with Wyoming County for the dialysis project. There is a CNR meeting today. There have been some recent Covid hits but the impacts have been low due to the mitigation efforts. There will be a Light Up Livingston update at the June Public Services meeting. Letters have been received to begin CSEA negotiations.
3. Grants and Public Information Coordinator – Julie Barry’s last day was Friday. Travis Clark is the Assistant Coordinator and will be available for grant needs. That ad is out on the street and there have already been some enquiries.
4. Deferred Comp RFP-There have been multiple respondents to the RFP that need to be reviewed.
5. New NYS Executive Order - Requiring a County Plan to Combat Domestic Terrorism – Mr. Coyle reviewed the order issued on 5/18/22. The plan is due by year end. There was discussion on how a county can prepare a plan to respond to a random action.
6. Mr. Coyle reviewed discussions with Becky Schroeder seeking final redistricting information.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Pangrazio moved and Mr. seconded to adjourn the meeting at 1:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Michele R. Rees, IIMC-CMC
Clerk of the Board