

Members Attending: Mr. Timmerman, Mr. Acres, Mr. Arquiatt, Ms. Bell, Mr. Burke, Mr. Colbert arrived at 5:59 p.m., Mr. Denesha, Mr. Fay, Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Hooper, Mr. LaPierre, ~~Mr. Leader~~, Mr. Lightfoot, ~~Mr. Paquin~~, and Mr. Perkins

Others Attending: Ruth Doyle, Dylan Soper, Kelly Pearson, Stephen Button, Jonnie Dorothy, Renee Cole, Deb Bridges, Bruce Green, Tim LePage, Don Chambers, Brian Hurlbut, Jason Pfothenauer, Mike Cunningham, Keith Zimmerman, Jennie Bacon, Tom Nichols, Jay Ulrich, Steve Ballan, and Media Representatives

1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Mr. Timmerman called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Mr. Denesha moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Fay, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent (Colbert, Leader, and Paquin).

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Perkins moved to approve the July 30th meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Hooper, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent (Colbert, Leader, and Paquin).

3. 2017 AUDIT PRESENTATION – Nichole Ruf, Senior Manager, Drescher & Malecki, LLP

4. HIGHWAY – DON CHAMBERS

A. Modifying the 2018 Budget for the Department of Highways for the Road Machinery Fund (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Bell, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent (Colbert, Leader, and Paquin).

B. Authorization to Fill a Motor Equipment Operator Position in the Department of Highways (Res) (Info) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Arquiatt, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent (Colbert, Leader, and Paquin).

C. Authorization to Fill a Motor Equipment Operator Position in the Department of Highways (Res) (Info) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins and Ms. Bell, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent (Colbert, Leader, and Paquin).

5. COUNTY ATTORNEY – STEPHEN BUTTON

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement between the Town of Parishville and County of St. Lawrence Regarding Tax Delinquent Property in Parishville, New York (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Bell, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent (Colbert, Leader, and Paquin).

6. COMMUNITY SERVICES – JAY ULRICH

A. Modifying the 2018 Budget for Community Services for Funding Received from the Office of Mental Health and the Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Hooper, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent (Colbert, Leader, and Paquin).

Mr. Colbert arrived at 5:59 p.m.

B. IMA Billing Software Update (Discussion) – Jay Ulrich

7. BOARD OF ELECTIONS – JENNIE BACON & TOM NICHOLS

A. Modifying the 2018 Budget for the Board of Elections for Information Technology Equipment compatible with the NTS Team Voter Management System (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Bell, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Leader, and Paquin).

8. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – RUTH DOYLE

The following resolution was presented by Mr. Zimmerman.

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign Documents Necessary to Accept Grant Funding for Roof Replacement of the TAUNY Center and Modifying the 2018 Budget for the County Administrator’s Office (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe and Mr. Lightfoot, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, one (1) abstention (LaPierre), and two (2) absent (Leader and Paquin).

Ms. Doyle said there is a targeted amount put in contingency for fuel, annually, and this year that amount was \$200,000. The total current amount taken from contingency for the year is \$251,000, none of which has been for fuel.

Ms. Doyle reported that the County website was hacked and has been down for six (6) days. Repairs and maintenance have been done over the weekend, and the State Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) has performed additional scans. The State will finish the review and make a recommendation as to when the website can be brought back up.

An employee appreciation day will be held on Wednesday from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. with a make your own ice cream sundae bar and years of service pins being distributed. This will take place on the lawn between the Court House and Surrogate Building.

A notice was received today that the Army Corp of Engineers will be accepting comments regarding dredging the Ogdensburg harbor.

The “Walk with the Doc,” that Public Health has been promoting, had their biggest turnout last Saturday in Gouverneur. The next one will be held on Saturday, September 29th, in Massena.

B. Annual Vacancy Review Committee Summary – Ms. Doyle reported on vacancies from September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018. There were 159 total requests made with 143 of those positions being approved; fourteen (14) positions were held; and two (2) positions were

withdrawn. Fifty-four percent (54%) of positions were filled immediately; seventeen percent (17%) of positions were held for 30 days, nineteen percent (19%) of positions were held for 60 day; and ten percent (10%) of positions were held indefinitely or were withdrawn.

9. OLD / NEW BUSINESS

A. Electronic Home Monitoring (Discussion) – Tim LePage

Ms. Cole gave a Treasurer's Report – There were no audit finding on the 2017 audit and she considered that a major accomplishment. The last time this occurred was in 2005. The Bank Reconciliation Summary Report has been posted on Google Drive for Legislators' review, as stated in the adopted policy. The Treasurer's Office is working on collecting Stop DWI and DWAI fines and surcharges. Two sales tax payments have been received for this quarter, and if the next payments continue this trend, it is possible the quarter could be 2.29% over last year. Arranging installment payment contracts for individuals with delinquent property taxes in 2017 and 2018 will begin. The contract requirement is 25% down, with quarterly payments made while keeping taxes current.

Mr. Perkins moved to go to Executive Session at 6:47 p.m., to discuss negotiations, litigation, personnel, and appointments, seconded by Mr. Arquiett, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Leader and Paquin).

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A straw poll vote was taken during Executive Session regarding a request for proposal.

A straw poll vote was taken during Executive Session regarding FERC.

Mr. Perkins moved to go to Open Session at 8:00 p.m., seconded by Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Leader and Paquin).

11. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Timmerman moved to adjourn the August Finance Committee Meeting at 8:00 p.m., as there was no further business.