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Finance Committee Monday, November 23, 2020 5:30 p.m.

PURSUANT TO THE STATE OF EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 202.1 ARTICLE 7, SUSPENSION OF LAW ALLOWING THE ATTENDANCE OF MEETINGS TELEPHONICALLY OR OTHER SIMILAR SERVICE

Members attending: Mr. Acres, Mr. Denesha, Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Lightfoot, Mr. Sheridan, and Mr. Smithers arrived at 5:34 p.m.

Members Attending Via Videoconference: Mr. Arquiett, Mr. Burke, Ms. Curran, Mr. Fay, Ms. Fiacco, Ms. Haggard, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Reagen, and Ms. Terminelli arrived at 7:35 p.m.

Others Attending Via Videoconference: Ruth Doyle, Kelly Pearson, Dylan Soper, Steve Button, Dana McGuire, Don Chambers, Bruce Green, Jonnie Dorothy, and Renee Cole.

- **1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA** Mr. Acres called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Mr. Arquiett moved to amend the agenda to move the resolution "Authorizing the Purchase of Two Rheonix Rapid, Fully Automated COVID-19 Testing Workstations and Modifying the 2020 Budget" to immediately following the COVID-19 Update as 3A, seconded by Mr. Perkins, Ms. Haggard, and Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Smithers and Terminelli).
- **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Mr. Sheridan moved to approve the October 26th meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Smithers and Terminelli).

Mr. Smithers arrived at 5:34 p.m.

- 3. COVID-19 UPDATE Dr. Dana McGuire and Dr. Andrew Williams
- A. Authorizing the Purchase of Two Rheonix Rapid, Fully Automated COVID-19 Testing Workstations and Modifying the 2020 Budget (Res) (*Note: This resolution was tabled at the Services Committee Meeting, and will need a motion to remove it from the Table.*)
- Mr. Smithers moved to remove the resolution from the Table, seconded by Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).
- Mr. Lightfoot moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Denesha, Ms. Curran, Ms. Fiacco, Mr. Fay, Mr. Arquiett, Ms. Haggard, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Sheridan, and Mr. Reagen, and carried by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).

4. HIGHWAY – DON CHAMBERS

A. Modifying the 2021 Budget for the Department of Highways and Appropriating Road Machinery Fund Balance to the 2021 Road Machinery Budget for Purchasing Equipment (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).

B. Approving a Supplemental Agreement #2 and Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. for Construction Inspection Services for Brown's Bridge Road over Raquette River Project, BIN 3221560, PIN 775380 (Res) – Mr. Sheridan moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Lightfoot and Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, one (1) abstained (Perkins), and one (1) absent (Terminelli).

5. SOLID WASTE - DON CHAMBERS

A. Modifying the 2020 Budget for the Solid Waste Department for Higher than Anticipated Expenses (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Sheridan, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).

6. REAL PROPERTY - BRUCE GREEN

A. Elections, Real Property & Community College Apportionments for the Year 2021 (Res) (Info) – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe and Mr. Arquiett, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).

7. COUNTY ATTORNEY – STEPHEN BUTTON

A. Authorizing the Chair to Convey the Carr Site Located at 97 Main Street, Hermon to the Town of Hermon (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe and Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).

8. TREASURER – RENEE COLE

- A. Charging Tax Items (Res) Mr. Sheridan moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Lightfoot, and Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).
- B. Adopting Mortgage Tax Report (Res) Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).

9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – RUTH DOYLE

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with the Compliancy Group, LLC for the Purpose of Consultation Services and Maintaining a Repository for HIPAA Compliance (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran and Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).

- B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Lease for Space at 21 Harrowgate Commons, Massena, New York (Res) Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins and Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).
- C. Establishing a Date and Time for the Organizational Board Meeting (Res) Mr. Smithers moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Lightfoot, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).
- D. Declaring October as the First St. Lawrence County History Month (Res) Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).
- E. Modifying the 2020 Budget for the Historical Association for Web Development to Provide Access to Archives for the Public (Res) Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Denesha and Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).
- F. Authorizing the Creation of a Reserve for 2020 Appropriations for the Bassmaster Tournament (Res) Mr. Arquiett moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, Mr. Smithers, and Mr. Lightfoot, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).

Mrs. Doyle said the Harold B. Smith Building will be closed Monday through Wednesday for deep cleaning in regards to positive cases of COVID-19. There are staff members in quarantine at this time with all other staff working remotely, and services will continue to be provided.

Three of the County bus routes have been impacted by COVID-19.

Over the next five (5) weeks, the County will focus on stressing the importance of the five pillars with special attention to one pillar each week. The focus this week will be sanitization and hand washing. Next week will focus on wearing masks. The new masks have arrived for students, and will be distributed next week.

A flu clinic, in partnership with Kinney Drugs, was held today for County employees.

County offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday in observance of Thanksgiving, and there is no meeting scheduled next Monday. The annual Memorial Service for past Legislators and Supervisors who have passed away during the year will be held at the December Full Board Meeting.

The office staff will remain working remotely at fifty percent at this time.

Mr. Denesha asked if there has been any talk of opening the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) due to the rise in positive COVID-19 cases. Ms. Doyle said there have been conversations about it, and a Public Health call center has currently been opened.

Mr. Burke said contract tracing is a critical piece of managing the pandemic and asked what the readiness of the County was in regards to that. Ms. Doyle said the number of contract tracers are being increased. There is a five (5) hour course given online, followed by training from Public Health staff, and finally on-the-job training to become a contract tracer. Also, at this time, Public Health is ramping up on the number of Case Investigators. Ms. Doyle said the state of readiness at this time is good.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Cornell Cooperative Extension Board no report
- B. Fish and Wildlife Management Board, Region 6 no report
- C. Fisheries Advisory Board no report
- D. Gouverneur Fair Board no report
- E. Highway/Solid Waste Committee no report
- F. Industrial Development Agency no report
- G. Recreational and Trails Advisory Board Mr. Arquiett
- H. St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency (RVRDA) no report
- I. St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce Ms. Haggard
- J. Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors Mr. Acres

11. OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Terminelli arrived at 7:35 p.m.

Mr. Forsythe moved to go to Executive Session at 7:36 p.m. to discuss negotiations, litigation, personnel and appointments, seconded by Mr. Sheridan, and carried by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Lightfoot moved to go to Open Session at 8:11 p.m., seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

13. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Acres adjourned the November Finance Committee meeting at 8:12 p.m., as there was no further business.