

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE
September 9, 2019

Committee Members Present: P. Stockin, D. Fanton, P. Curran, D. Decker, S. Havey, D. Healy, J. Hopkins, D. Root, C. Crandall

Others Present: L. Ballengee, G. Barnes, A. Bigelow, B. Budinger, J. Budinger, J. Burdick, K. Dirlam, M. Evans, L. Gridley, D. Hall, B. Harris, J. Henry, C. Jessup, E. Kayes, C. Knapp, K. Monroe, D. McDonnell, J. Ricci, B. Riehle, T. Ross, T. Shaw, R. Swarthout, M. Washer, R. Whitney

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Ways & Means Committee Chairman Philip Stockin.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Legislator Fanton, seconded by Legislator Decker, and carried to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2019, Ways and Means Committee meeting.

A motion was made by Legislator Root, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried to approve the minutes of the August 26, 2019, Ways and Means Committee meeting.

Approval of Audit

Committee members reviewed the September 9, 2019, audit of claims in the amount of \$2,932,392.98 (including prepaid bills). Legislator Decker asked what expense A6140 (Home Relief) is. Ms. Ross stated it is the HEAP allocation. A motion was made by Legislator Fanton, seconded by Legislator Decker, and carried to forward the audit to the full Board for approval of payment.

NYSEG Rate Increases

Chairman Crandall addressed the committee and stated that there was information as well as a resolution that came from Chenango County opposing the NYSEG rate increases, and asked if the committee would like to sponsor an opposing resolution as well. County Attorney Carissa Knapp stated there are some proposed rate increases for NYSEG and RG&E that could cause concern with the residential rate and how it will affect their constituents. A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Fanton, and carried for the County Attorney to draft a resolution opposing the proposed rate increases for NYSEG and RG&E. **Prepare Resolution**

REFERRALS FROM OTHER COMMITTEES

Human Services Committee

Transfer of Funds – Health Department

Public Health Director Lori Ballengee requested permission to transfer funds in the amount of \$19,250 from the Health Department's regular pay account to the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program health equipment account. These monies will be utilized to purchase an x-ray florescence (XRF) analyzer and are available within the Health Department's personnel account as two health department positions remain vacant. The cost of the XRF analyzer will be funded 100 percent through the Lead Poisoning Prevention grant.

<u>From:</u>	<u>To:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
A4010.101 Regular Pay	A4037.206 Health Equipment	\$19,250

This request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Root, seconded by Legislator Curran, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Public Health Educator Position

Ms. Ballengee requested permission to fill one full-time Public Health Educator (AFSCME, Grade 17, Step: Base – Step 7). This position is responsible for the education, outreach, and recruitment for the family planning/reproductive health, lead, immunization, and children with special health care needs programs. The annual salary of this position is estimated between \$40,611 and \$50,989 with benefits estimated between \$17,361 and \$21,798. This position is funded 100 percent with State funds. Legislator Decker stated that he was opposed to this request when it first came to committee; however, after further discussion with Ms. Ballengee, he is now in support of it. This request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Root, seconded by Legislator Fanton, and carried. **Notify Human Resources**

Employment Specialist Positions

Social Services Commissioner Vicki Grant requested permission to fill (2) Employment Specialists (AFSCME, Grade 12, Step: Base – Step 7) and all subsequent positions including hiring from the outside. This position is responsible for verifying employability of Jobtrak clients and assigning duties based on abilities and any medical restrictions. The annual salary of this position is estimated between \$35,411 and \$42,255 (\$70,822 and \$84,510 for both positions) with benefits estimated at 42.75 percent. These positions are funded 30 percent with County funds, 10 percent with State funds, and 60 percent with Federal funds. This request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Healy, and carried. **Notify Human Resources**

Acceptance of Additional State Aid Revenue

Community Services Director Dr. Robert Anderson requested a resolution to accept and appropriate additional state aid revenue in the amount of \$44,712 received for the Allegany Council Substance Abuse 2019 Budget year. The funds should be appropriated as follows:

<u>Appropriation:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
A4220.456 (Council on Alcoholism & Substance Abuse – Cont. Exp.)	\$44,712

<u>Revenue:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
A4220.3486.00 (Council on Alcoholism & Substance Abuse – State Aid)	\$44,712

This request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Hopkins, seconded by Legislator Root, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Personnel Committee**Acceptance of Electronic Poll Books Grant Funds**

Board of Elections Commissioners Mike McCormick and Brent Reynolds requested a resolution to accept and appropriate funds for the Electronic Poll Books Capital Grant Project – BOE01-C004011-1110000. The funds should be appropriated as follows:

Appropriations: * new cost center for the grant A1452 – Elections Poll Book Grant		
A1452.201	Office Equipment	\$22,000
A1452.404	Maint Contracts	<u>\$14,219</u>
	Total:	\$36,219
Revenues: * new		
A1452.3089.BOE	St Aid – Elections Poll Book Grant	\$36,219
	BOE 01-C004011-1110000	

This request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Havey, seconded by Legislator Root, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Public Works Committee

Budget Adjustment for Leftover CHIPS Funds

Public Works Superintendent Justin Henry requested a budget adjustment to carryover remaining 2018 funds for SFY 2019-20 Consolidated Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) in the amount of \$12,564. The adjustment is as follows:

Net Increase to County Road Fund

Increase Appropriation CHIPS Paving	D5112.223	\$12,564
Increase Revenue State Aid Consolidated Highway Aid	D5110.3501.00	\$12,564

This request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Fanton, seconded by Legislator Healy, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

Transfer of Funds

Mr. Henry requested permission to transfer remaining funds from the Jail Septic Service Repair Capital to the following Public Safety Building & Grounds Safety Complex Accounts for the purpose of large repairs. The transfer is as follows:

From		
H8197.200 – Jail Septic Repairs		\$70,000
Appropriate to:		
A3152.412 – Public Safety Buildings Repair Real Property		\$59,000
A3152.422 – Fuels		<u>\$11,000</u>
	Total:	\$70,000

This request was approved on a motion made by Legislator Fanton, seconded by Legislator Havey, and carried. **Prepare Resolution**

CONXX Smart Technologies Contract

The Allegany County Sheriff’s Office in conjunction with County Administrator McDonnell requested a resolution approving a contract with CONXX Smart Technologies to update the software for the 32 microwave radios associated with the 911 system. Furthermore, permission is requested to extend the warranties through December 2020 given that they are in the last quarter of 2019. The cost to update the system is \$11,801.60, and the warranty cost is \$32.25/month/unit for 16 months (September 2019 through December 2020) for a total of \$16,512.

The updates are necessary to ensure that both the 911 and Broadband networks continue to operate properly. The cost of the warranty and software updates are \$28,313.60. This money is not in the current budget and would need to come out of Contingency.

Attorney/Client Session

A motion was made by Legislator Healy, seconded by Legislator Fanton, and carried to enter into an attorney/client session at 1:15 p.m. Immediately following discussion at 1:32 p.m., a motion was made by Legislator Fanton, seconded by Legislator Hopkins, and carried to the end the attorney/client session and return to the regular meeting.

CONXX Smart Technologies Contract

A motion was made by Legislator Root, seconded by Legislator Decker, and carried to table the request to enter into a contract with CONXX Smart Technologies until further information can be provided.

Good of the Order

Majority Leader Dwight "Mike" Healy announced a caucus in Room 220 at 1:35 p.m.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 1:33 p.m. following a motion by Legislator Decker, seconded by Legislator Havey, and carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Meghan Washer, Confidential Secretary to Clerk of the Board
Allegany County Board of Legislators