

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
KENNEDY, OBERACKER, MARIETTA, FARWELL, MARTINI
May 12, 2020
1:00pm

This meeting was streamed on Facebook Live and recorded.

Please note the attendance as follows:

Present in person at the Otsego County Board Chambers, 197 Main Street, Cooperstown, NY 13326:

Board Chair Bliss
Representative Kennedy

Present remotely via video conference:

Representative Oberacker
Representative Marietta
Representative Farwell
Representative Martini
Representative McCarty
County Attorney Ellen Coccoma
Jody Zakrevsky, CEO of Otsego Now
Karen Sullivan, Director of Planning
Jody Taylor, Director of Weights & Measures
Commissioner Lori Lehenbauer, Commissioner of Elections
Penney Gentile, Personnel Officer
Lorry O'Brien-DuBois, Administrative Aide
Various Department Heads (in executive session)

PLANNING—KAREN SULLIVAN via video conference

Karen Sullivan, Director of Planning, requested approval to enter into an agreement with the County of Otsego Industrial Development Agency (IDA)/ Otsego Now as the sub-recipient for reprogramming ME 868133-19 for grant administration. Representative Oberacker motioned to approve entering into an agreement with the IDA. Seconded, Farwell. Roll call vote. Total: 2,410. Ayes: 2,020. Absent: 390—Marietta. Motion carried.

Karen Sullivan noted there is currently an Otsego County Board Representatives vacancy on the Southern Tier 8 Board, and the position should be filled.

The Committee and Karen Sullivan briefly discussed moving forward with the contract with Climate Action Associates, although there is uncertainty whether or not the program will continue as planned.

BOARD OF ELECTIONS—COMMISSIONER LORI LEHENBAUER and COMMISSIONER MICHAEL HENRICI via video conference

Commissioner Lehenbauer, Commissioner of Elections, requested approval to accept the New York State HAVA Cares grant in the amount of \$69,158.08, for COVID-19 related election expenses, including but not limited to: absentee ballots, temporary election staff, cleaning polling places, modification of poll sites and other expenses. Representative Farwell motioned to accept the grant. Seconded, Martini. Roll call vote. Total: 2,410. Ayes: 2,020. Absent: 390—Marietta. Motion carried.

OTSEGO NOW—JODY ZAKREVSKY via video conference

Jody Zakrevsky, CEO of Otsego Now, gave the following program updates, including but not limited to:

- revised 2020 budget projections, including losses due to NYS contracts not coming through
- possible reductions in the County's allocation to the agency
- updates from local businesses

Board Chair Bliss entered during the above discussion in person.

Representative Marietta entered during the above discussion via video conference.

PERSONNEL

Representative Martini motioned to enter into executive session to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or the matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation, and invited persons including but not limited to Penney Gentile, Personnel Officer, and also various department heads, and/ or Board Representatives to remain present during the discussion at 1:46pm. Seconded, Oberacker. Total: 2,410. Ayes: 2,410. Motion carried.

The executive session was held over conference phone bridge. The Committee adjourned while in executive session.