

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
KENNEDY, OBERACKER, MARIETTA, FARWELL, SHANNON
January 9, 2018

Also Present: Board Chair Bliss, Allen Ruffles

PLANNING –KAREN SULLIVAN/TAMMIE HARRIS

Karen Sullivan gave an overview of the Planning Department and distributed a flow chart.

Tammie Harris gave a summary of Public Transportation including a list of contracts, funding sources and a breakdown of the budget.

Representative Marietta entered during the above discussion.

Karen Sullivan stated she has several questions related to the Social Media policy that she directed to the County Attorney and Brian Pokorny in IT.

Representative Farwell inquired about the MCEP and Representative Oberacker gave an overview of the four town consolidation project along with plans to develop a new transportation/highway facility.

Karen Sullivan gave a rundown of the services provided by Weights and Measures. Representative Marietta inquired about the fee structure of other Weights and Measures departments in different counties.

Tammie Harris requested approval to transfer retired bus 8219 to Oneonta Public Transit at no cost. Representative Oberacker moved for approval. Seconded, Shannon. Total: 2,393; Ayes: 2,393. Motion carried.

Karen Sullivan gave an overview of the Community Development Block Grants 2018 –CDGB and Local Government Efficiency. Karen Sullivan requested approval to de-obligate funding for the shared service grant in the amount of \$49,850 for the Weights and Measures Department. Representative Farwell moved for approval. Seconded, Oberacker. Total: 2,393; Ayes: 2,393. Motion carried.

Karen Sullivan noted under Local Government Efficiency that \$94,071 was received to continue the Highway Asset Management Program for 2018 and under CDBG, \$300,000 was received for emergency temporary housing by means of tiny homes.

Karen Sullivan requested approval to establish Otsego County as lead agency for the Tiny Home CDBG project in order to conduct an environmental review. Representative Oberacker moved for approval. Seconded, Shannon. Total: 2,393; Ayes: 2,393. Motion carried.

Karen Sullivan gave a census update noting the base line boundaries are up for review.

OTSEGO NOW – JODY ZAKREVSKY

Jody Zakrevsky stated the Board of Directors did not meet in December, there being no quorum and is scheduled to meet in two weeks.

Jody Zakrevsky distributed a Director's Report dated December 27, 2017 and reviewed the following:

- List of meetings attended 11/29/17 through 12/22/17
- List of activities including correspondence received, financial updates, ESD grants and other various projects being actively pursued
- Working on updating the Strategic Plan for Otsego Now

Jody Zakrevsky stated he has received a request from the County asking if Otsego Now would contribute half of the membership fee to the Mohawk Valley Economic Development District. Representative Kennedy also inquired about sharing the cost of membership to Southern Tier East. Mr. Zakrevsky stated he will present these requests at the upcoming Board meeting.

Jody Zakrevsky stated the importance of helping existing companies stabilize and hopefully expand. The committee discussed the potential vacancies on the Otsego Now Board and discussed how the County will be represented. Representative Marietta stated the bylaws of Otsego Now need to be updated.

The committee discussed the revolving loan program and how to move forward including, but not limited to the following:

- Need to fine tune the guidelines
- Analysis of the business plan, Otsego Now as a steward of the program
- Benefit of having banks involved—make referrals, underwriting
- Ms. Sullivan to send draft of program income plan to Jody Zakrevsky
- Ms. Sullivan to set up conference call with OCR (Office of Community Renewal)

Board Chair Bliss entered the meeting during the above discussion.

COMMUNITY EVENTS GRANT

The committee discussed the Events Grant Guidelines and Program Application. Representative Kennedy stated she will talk to Brian Pokorny in IT about posting the application and applying online. The committee discussed including language that states the purpose of the grant and clearly outlining the eligibility dates. Representative Oberacker moved to approve the Events Grant Guidelines and Application and to post them online. Seconded, Farwell. Total: 2,393; Ayes: 2,393. Motion carried.

There being no further business to discuss, the committee adjourned until Tuesday, February 13th at 9 a.m. at the County Office Building.