

Public Works & Capital Projects Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: July 9, 2015, 6:00 PM
LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, COB, Kingston, NY
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chairman Dean Fabiano
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Nettie Tomshaw
PRESENT: Legislators: Dean Fabiano, Lynn Archer, Manna Greene, Kevin Roberts
EXCUSED: Legislator Peter Loughran
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Susan Plonski Commissioner Department of Public Works

Chairman Fabiano called the meeting to order at 6:00PM.

Motion No. 1 Resolved to Approve Meeting Minutes of June 4, 2015
Motion Made By: Legislator Kevin Roberts
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Lynn Archer
Discussion: None
Voting In Favor: Legislators Fabiano, Archer, Roberts, Greene
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Chairman Fabiano drafted a letter to County Executive Mike Hein regarding the Siemens Energy Audit conducted back in 2010. Chairman Fabiano made the request for the exact amount spent on the purchase of Green e-Energy Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) through the end of 2015, including a detailed explanation of the corresponding savings incurred to offset the expense. And in conclusion will the purchase of RECs continue, and if so what will be the estimated cost. The letter was well received by the committee, signed by Chairman Fabiano, and forwarded to the County Executive the next morning. (see letter below)

July 9, 2015

Dear County Executive Hein,

I am contacting you on behalf of the Public Works and Capital Projects Committee. As you know the committee has regular discussions about the Siemens Energy Audit conducted in 2010 and the recommendations and improvement measures that have resulted.

With 2016 department budget conversations under way and budget negotiations with the Legislature beginning soon, I am respectfully requesting details on the Green e-Energy certified Renewable Energy Certificates purchased through 2015. A June 4, 2014 Daily Freeman article reported that the estimated cost to purchase the credits would be about \$13,000 which you expected to be offset by “efficiencies and reductions in the county’s overall usage of electricity, or potentially through increased self-generation of electricity.”

At your earliest convenience, I would appreciate details as to the exact amount spent on the purchase of RECs through the end of 2015, and a detailed explanation of the corresponding savings incurred to offset the expense. I would also like to know if you are planning to continue with the purchase of RECs, for how long, and what the estimated cost will be.

I look forward to working with you and your administration during the upcoming 2016 budget development and adoption process.

Sincerely,

Dean Fabiano
Chairman, Public Works and Capital Projects Committee

Chairman Fabiano also will pursue a meeting date with Bob Sudlow for this committee to be updated on the Siemens Report in general – as waiting until September will not permit the committee time to address the report prior to the upcoming budget process.

RESOLUTIONS

- Motion No. 2** Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 277
- Text of Motion:** Authorizing The Required Steps For The Transfer Of 25 South Manor Avenue, Kingston New York
- Motion Made By:** Legislator Lynn Archer for Discussion
- Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Manna Greene
- Discussion:** At a previous Economic Development meeting Legislator Archer asked Ken Crannell what the property was valued at. Although a value had not been determined at that point, Legislator Archer was assured an appraisal would be done prior to the transfer of the property. Per this resolution, an appraisal was not realized. The committee tabled the resolution until Legislator Archer can follow up with Ken Crannell, as this is contrary to what she was told. A special meeting will be called the night of Session to determine if this resolution will move forward as written.

Please Note: 7/16/15 Legislator Archer spoke with County Attorney's Havranek and Johnson, and they confirmed an appraisal will be conducted on 25 Manor Ave. once the property is transferred into the LDC. The language in the resolution was a reiteration of the LDC Act only and was not meant to exclude an appraisal being performed before marketing the property.

Motion Made By: Legislator Archer to Table Resolution, Seconded by Legislator Greene

Voting In Favor To

Table: Legislators Fabiano, Archer, Greene, Roberts

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 3 Resolve To Approve Resolution No. 278

Text of Motion: Establishing Capital Project No. 457- Purchase Of County Fleet Vehicles – Department Of Public Works (Central Garage)

Motion Made By: Legislator Lynn Archer

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Manna Greene

Discussion: Chairman Fabiano provided an overview of this resolution whereas fleet acquisitions are needed throughout the county to replace existing vehicles because of extensive rust, corrosion, and high mileage as such are not cost effective to repair. The project expenditures are \$319,000.00 – county revenue, and previously approved in the 2015-2020 Capital Program. Committee discussion - Hybrids purchases are included, serial bonds are required, the used vehicles will be auctioned off or scrapped – Sue Plonski to inquire with Mark Rider as to the auction policy procedure. The purchase will include:

Qty.	Vehicle	Cost	Department
1	Handicap Caravan	\$65,000.00	Veterans Agency
2	Ford Fusion Hybrids	\$72,000.00 each	Health Dept.
2	Ford Fusion Hybrids	\$72,000.00 each	DSS
1	Large Chevrolet Impala Sedan	\$25,000.00	Probation Dept.
2	Ford Transit Cargo Vans	\$50,000.00	Bldgs. & Gnd.
1	Ford F-250 Pick-Up Truck	\$35,000.00	Bldgs. & Gnd.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Fabiano, Archer, Greene, Roberts

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 4 Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 280

Text of Motion: Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into a Lease Agreement With Ulster County Community College For The SUNY Ulster Extension Center Located At 94 Mary’s Avenue In The City Of Kingston – Department Of Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)

Motion Made By: Legislator Kevin Roberts

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Manna Greene

Discussion: Chairman Fabiano provided an overview for this STRIVE resolution, whereas Ulster County will lease space to SUNY Ulster Extension Center effective date 8/3/2015 through 8/2/2025 at the former Sophie Finn Elementary School located at 94 Mary’s Avenue in the City of Kinston at an annual cost of \$200K which includes an annual escalation of two (2) percent which will be invoiced in equal quarterly installments, with an automatic renewal for an additional period of ten (10) years.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Fabiano, Archer, Greene, Roberts

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 5 Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 289

Text of Motion: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gateway Community Industries – Department Of Public Works

Motion Made By: Legislator Kevin Roberts

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Manna Greene

Discussion: Chairman Fabiano noted this is a contract between the County and Gateway Community Industries for janitorial services for the Golden Hill Office Building, where the Public & Mental Health and Public Defender’s office is located. \$94 K - 100% County funded. The committee all agreed Gateway Industries does a good job.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Fabiano, Archer, Greene, Roberts

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 6 Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 290

Text of Motion: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gateway Community Industries – Department Of Public Works

Motion Made By: Legislator Manna Greene

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Kevin Roberts

Discussion: Chairman Fabiano noted this is a contract between the County and Gateway Community Industries for Emergency Management, Family Court, Health Dept. Clinic and Probation janitorial services. \$131K – 100% County funded monies 2015-2017.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Fabiano, Archer, Greene, Roberts

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 7 Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 291

Text of Motion: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Complete Building Solutions, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Motion Made By: Legislator Kevin Roberts

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Manna Greene

Discussion: Chairman Fabiano noted this contract is with Complete Building Solutions, Inc., for janitorial services for (14) fourteen county buildings, 2-year contract. \$431,476.00 – 100% County funded monies 2015-2017. Sue Plonski noted Gateway Industries did not want contracts in the City of Kingston, and Complete Building Solutions, Inc. out of Clifton Park was the lowest bidder.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Fabiano, Archer, Greene, Roberts

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Old Business

Organizational Chart – Sue Plonski requested more time for her department to add employee names to chart.

Legislator Roberts was excused from the meeting just prior to adjournment as he had another engagement to attend.

Complete audio content is posted on the Legislative website.

Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Legislator Greene and seconded by Legislator Archer, all were in favor, and Chairman Fabiano declared the meeting duly adjourned at 6:30 PM.

Dated the 22nd of July, 2015
Nettie Tomshaw, Legislative Staff

Minutes Approved on: August 6, 2015