

Public Works & Capital Projects Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: May 8, 2014, 6:30 PM
LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, COB, Kingston, NY
PRESIDING OFFICER: Deputy Chairman Peter Loughran
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Nettie Tomshaw
PRESENT: Legislators: Loughran, Allen, Greene, Roberts
EXCUSED: Chairman Dean Fabiano
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Bea Havranek UC Attorney, Dave Bolles UC Department of Public Works, Chris White Planning, Sylvia Wohlfahrt Information Services

Deputy Chair Loughran called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Motion No. 1 RESOLVED To Approve the Minutes of April 3, 2014

Motion Made By: Legislator Kevin Roberts
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Chris Allen
Discussion: None
Roll Call Vote: No
Voting In Favor: Legislators Loughran, Allen, Greene, Roberts
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 2 Resolution No. 166 – May 20, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 166** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Contract With The New York State Department of State For funding To Conduct A Brownfield Opportunity Area Study, Step 1 – Amending The 2014 – 2019 Capital Program And

Establishing Capital Project No. 409 – Brownfield Opportunity
Area Study – Department Of Planning

Discussion Motion Made By: Legislator Greene

Discussion Motion Seconded By: Legislator Roberts

Discussion:

Chris White from the Planning Dept. explained Ulster County was awarded a reimbursement grant up to \$202,671.00, (County cost being \$22,519.00 met through in-kind services), for the NYS Department of State to conduct a Step 1 Brownfield Study for the period June 1, 2014 – December 31, 2015. This will include a countywide revitalization opportunity report only of brownfield clusters and underutilized sites that could be revitalized for future economic development opportunities.

Legislator Loughran asked how many brown field locations are in Ulster County. A. To be determined – the term “Brown Field” has a broad scope - definition. Legislator Loughran also noted IBM and the IBM Rec Center contamination in Kingston has yet to be cleaned up. Legislator Loughran asked Chris White to have Dennis Doyle contact him for additional information.

Legislator Greene inquired if this would go through the RFP process. A. Yes- may already be in the works with Dennis Doyle.

Legislator Roberts asked why this resolution is before this committee & what type of sites are involved. A. For capital projects and redevelopment of property. Some locations include gas stations, auto salvage, dry cleaning, leaked tanks, asbestos, etc. This grant only identifies sites – not redevelopment funding.

Motion Made By: Legislator Chris Allen

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Kevin Roberts

Roll Call Vote: No

Voting In Favor: Legislators Loughran, Allen, Greene, Roberts

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 3

Resolution No. 168 – May 20, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 168** – Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature And The Ulster County Executive To Enter Into A Contract Of Sale With The Kingston City School District For The Purchase Of The Sophie Finn Elementary School And Accompanying Real Estate – Department Of Public Works (Buildings & Grounds)

Discussion Motion Made By: Legislator Allen

Discussion Motion Seconded By: Legislator Roberts

Discussion:

Deputy Chair Loughran provided a brief overview of the “STRIVE” Program – relocation of the SUNY Ulster extension center from the BRC to the former Sophie Finn Elementary School.

Motion Made By: Legislator Chris Allen

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Kevin Roberts

Roll Call Vote: No

Voting In Favor: Legislators Fabiano, Loughran, Allen, Greene, Roberts

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 4 **Resolution No. 169 – May 20, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 169** – Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Lease With Ulster Savings Bank For Space To Be Used By The Board Of Elections – Department Of Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)

Discussion Motion Made By: Legislator Roberts

Discussion Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: Legislator Roberts asked if the rent went up. A-No changes, just a new 5-year lease, everything remains constant. Board of Elections Department currently utilizes the building.

Motion Made By: Legislator Roberts

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Roll Call Vote: No

Voting In Favor: Legislators Fabiano, Loughran, Allen, Greene, Roberts

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 5 **Resolution No. 170 – May 20, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 170** – Establishing Capital Project No. 410 Reconstruction Of Various Roads in Ulster County – Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)

Discussion: None

Motion Made By: Legislator Roberts

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Greene

Roll Call Vote: No

Voting In Favor: Legislators Fabiano, Loughran, Allen, Greene, Roberts

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 6 **Resolution No. 172 – May 20, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 172** – Establishing Capital Project Nos. 411 and 412 For Replacement / Reconstruction Of Various County Bridges And Box Culverts – 2014 Bridge Replacement Program – Highways And Bridges

Discussion Motion Made By: Legislator Greene

Discussion Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion:

Legislator Greene asked if the culverts are designed -open on the bottom for fish and wildlife to flow through as she learned yesterday at a SUNY New Paltz environmental conference. A – Dave Bolles, SOP per DEC requirements as field needed. Area photos of culverts needing replacement were provided for committee viewing.

Motion Made By: Legislator Greene

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Roll Call Vote: No

Voting In Favor: Legislators Fabiano, Loughran, Allen, Greene, Roberts

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 7 Resolution No. 174 – May 20, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 174** – Establishing Capital Project No. 413 Voice Over IP Phone System Implementation – Department Of Information Services

Sylvia Wohlfahrt, Director of Information Services gave an overview of our current system vs. the Voice Over IP phone system.

Legislators questioned the cost savings whereas Sylvia answered to the best of her ability however provided a written statement after the meeting with detailed saving information. Sylvia stated the change in the savings was due to information that she received from Finance between the time she submitted the resolution draft and the time of the Capital Projects Committee meeting advising her that Finance would be bonding over 5 years instead of 10 years. This still is a savings of over \$89,000/yr in the first 5 years, then after year 5 the savings jumps up to \$226,476/yr. So bonding for 5 years postpones the savings but total savings will be slightly greater.

10 yrs. @ 3% saves \$1,573,290 over 10 yrs.

5 yrs. @ 2% saves \$1,580,005 over 10 yrs.

Motion Made By: Legislator Chris Allen
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Kevin Roberts
Roll Call Vote: No
Voting In Favor: Legislators Fabiano, Loughran, Allen, Greene, Roberts
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Old / New Business Updates:

- David Bolles and committee members discussed departments & college moving from one location to another such as purchasing which is now located on the 3rd floor, Information Services which will be sold and the employees moved to the BRC - the college to Sophie Finn. Central Auto is moving to the quarry. No plans for the old jail at this time.
- Legislator Loughran talked to the report of county buildings and condition of each building.
- Family Court Building still under lease.
- Legislator Roberts asked D. Bolles to check on double yellow road stripping for South Ohioville Road – intersection part of three towns- Plattekill, Lloyd & New Paltz. Large senior community there – over 200 families and would help tremendously. D. Bolles said it depends on the construction schedule – generally at the end of the season. Bolles to check schedule to see what can be done.
- Legislator Roberts asked if there is a list of county roads to be resealed. A - Kripplebush, Tamarack, Watson Hollow, New Hurley Rd., Samsonville, Ulster Landing Rd. are on the list.
- David Bolles updated committee on the PBI Bridge on Glasco Turnpike, Saugerties – all contracts are signed & contractor and construction inspector on site this week setting up. Spoke to neighbors as to what is and isn't county property. Demolition to start next week. Deck only being replaced. Cure time for deck is 28 days.
- Hurley Bridge - bidding out the crane work at this time to 5-6 vendors approx. To be finished by the fall. Similar design but without cross members on top.
- Sophie Finn Project – Brian Cunningham's dept. in contract document phase – all the trades. County will do very little of the work.

- Park and Pool is ready to go for Memorial Day & May 31st opening. Bldgs. & Gnds. converting all buildings to cooling system. Large catch basin installed in parking lot.
- Bldg. & Gnds. – Amanda LaValle rec'd a green infrastructure grant for drainage in county building parking lot –and sidewalks uptown being worked on.
- Cold Patching going on.
- Tongor Rd. and Hurley Mtn. Rd. Bridge was paved. Rte. 2 – Crumville Rd. paved today out of budget. (Photos provided)
- Hauling stone up to Frost Valley.
- The County received an extra \$247K of DOT money received via letter, as an Extreme Winter Capital Repair Fund due to the tough winter. If you don't spend it you lose it. Can use the monies on any CHIPS (Consolidated Highway Improvement) work. All localities that are CHIPS eligible received funding.

Legislature Manna Jo Greene recapped the High Falls community is very concerned about the bridge closure for homeowners & business. (not a county issue)

Legislature Chris Allen stated Kristen Gilibrand came to Saugerties and discussed new legislation she proposed to categorize federal highway funding to address troubled pedestrian cross walks. Leg. Allen showed concern that the County Executive framed his pleasure to the audience that he has sole decision to allocate the funding – how and where the money is spent.

Next Meeting will be held on July 3, 2014, Thursday 6:30PM, Karen L. Binder Library, C.O.B.

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Chris Allen
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Kevin Roberts
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0

TIME: 7:40 PM

Dated the 27th Day of May, 2014
Nettie Tomshaw, Legislative Staff
Minutes Approved on: June 6, 2014