

**Public Works and Capital Projects Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: November 10, 2016 – 6:30 PM
LOCATION: COB, 6th Floor, K. L. Binder Library
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chairman Dean Fabiano
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Nettie Tomshaw
PRESENT: Legislators Greene, Litts, Loughran, Maloney
ABSENT: None
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Susan Plonski Commissioner Department of Public Works, Chris White Deputy Director of Planning, Amanda LaValle Coordinator Department of Environment

Chairman Fabiano called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

Motion No. 1: **Moved to Approve the Minutes of the October 6, 2016 meeting**
Motion By: Legislator Greene
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Loughran
Discussion: None
Voting In Favor: Legislators Fabiano, Greene, Litts, Loughran, Maloney
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 5
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Minutes approved

Chairman Fabiano opted to address Resolution No. 479, (Amending The Electric Vehicle Charging Station Policy To Exclude Personal Use By County Employees) first under new business, which will be introduced at the December 20, 2016 Legislative Session. Chairman Fabiano for the record stated last month he would not support a similar resolution and continues to stand firm on his position and encouraged the rest of the committee to do the same. Amanda LaValle expressed having the infrastructure at the workplace encourages employees to go green – friendly way of commuting. Amanda noted only three county workers currently utilize the county charging stations.

Chairman Fabiano received an email from the Comptroller’s office requesting input/ideas the committee may have for potential public works department audits their office could assess. Hearing none Chairman Fabiano directed committee members if a need presents itself, contact Deputy Comptroller, Evan Gallo.

Legislator Greene and the committee asked for clarification as to what energy efficiency actions and renewable energy generation projects will be proposed for 2017. Commissioner Plonski responded from the Public Works perspective when the bids go out we can emphasize the proposals include green alternatives and ask that a cost benefit analysis be provided. Chairman Plonski deferred to Amanda LaValle to discuss available incentives. Amanda explained her office along with buildings and grounds continually refer to the Siemens energy audit report keeping tabs to see how it's being implemented whether through operating or through the capital projects. They have been successful and proactive with utilities and as SOP always looking for incentives with Central Hudson and NYSERTA to maximize the services they can provide for us. The LEC is approx. 40% of both the overall county budget and the utility budget. More LED lighting and sensors are planned within the Capital Projects portion of the budget, along with boilers & HVAC.

The C.O.B. is fairly energy efficient already. Solar panels are not cost effective for this application. Basic rule of thumb would be not to use solar if you cannot cut down on your demand. Solar for other county buildings is still in development.

Legislator Loughran asked for an update with the Solar City project. Amanda LaValle said it's still moving ahead – just waiting for the last stroke of the pen from the TEC. Everything is ready to go.

Resolutions for the November 22, 2016 Session of the Legislature

Resolution No. 466: Amending Capital Project No. 451 To Provide For Additional Engineering And Right-Of-Way Services For The “Hudson Valley Rail Trail West, Phase 4” Project (PIN 8761.21) And Amending The 2016 Capital Project Fund – Department Of Planning

Resolution Summary: This resolution amends Capital Project No. 451 to increase costs of \$41K for additional engineering and right-of-way professional services, and supplementary environmental reviews (bog turtle habitat assessment), additional wetland surveys, and expanded title research within the 1.25 mile stretch in the Town of Lloyd. A bond resolution will be required.

Motion No. 2: Resolution moved for discussion

Motion By: Legislator Loughran

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Discussion:

Chairman Fabiano called upon Chris White who provided an overview of the history leading up to this resolution and the NYS DOT federal funding -80% of the project being administered by the state. Offer letters to the four property owners will go out next week for the right-of-way acquisition. One property owner may donate their easement. Original projected appraisals for the properties for permanent easements was \$85K, actual cost came in at \$130K. Also they moved the trail back off of Rt. 299 to the old rail bed to minimize disturbance to wetland areas and reduce impacts to neighboring properties. The county will sub-contract with RK Hite & Co., Inc.

out of Avon, NY to handle the title search proceedings, and right-of-way acquisitions, etc. The Planning Department is seeking construction grant funding with the help of Assemblyman Frank Skartados for \$50K to help offset additional costs. Chris White provided the committee with a letter from the assemblyman's office stating as such. Chris noted overrun costs of about \$100K should be expected for the \$2 million project. There have been no impact sightings of the bog turtle thus far. The intense DOT process has delayed construction and may be delayed until fall 2017 – they will not allow any construction until we have permanent easements.

Motion No. 3: Moved to adopt Resolution No. 466.

Motion By: Legislator Loughran

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Voting In Favor: Legislator Fabiano, Loughran, Greene, Maloney

Voting Against: None

Abstention: Legislator Litts

Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 468: Amending Capital Project No. 406 – For The Purchase And Remediation Of Flooded Homes Damaged During Hurricane Irene And Tropical Storm Lee – Department Of Emergency Communications / Emergency Management

Resolution Summary: This resolution amends Capital Project No. 406 asking for increased FEMA funding of approximately \$151K to cover differences between some of the budgeted property values and the actual purchase price of the properties. In addition the initial budget estimation did not include monies for asbestos surveys and asbestos remediation. A bond resolution will be required.

Motion No. 4: Resolution moved for discussion

Motion By: Legislator Maloney

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts

Discussion:

None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Fabiano, Greene, Litts, Loughran, Maloney

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 5

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 474: Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Lease Agreement With Lealand Holdings, LLC, For Office Space For Department Of Health – Department Of Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)

Resolution Summary: The current lease agreement at Willow Park Office Complex at 230 Aaron Court, Kingston expires on October 31, 2016. This new lease agreement is required for the WIC Program (Women, Infants, and Children) and the STD (sexually transmitted disease) clinic, both programs are operated by the UC Dept. of Health. This lease is for an additional three term commencing on November 1, 2016 through October 31, 2019 at a cost of \$36K annually, with all utilities and taxes included.

Motion No. 5: Resolution moved for discussion

Motion By: Legislator Loughran

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Discussion:

Chairman Fabiano provided an overview of the lease agreement. Increase 2% from the previous lease – good for three years.

Motion No. 6: Moved to adopt Resolution No. 474.

Motion By: Legislator Loughran

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Voting In Favor: Legislators Fabiano, Greene, Litts, Loughran, Maloney

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 5

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution adopted

Resolution No. 475: Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Lease Agreement With 1500 NYS Route 208, LLC, For A Substation Of The Ulster County Sheriff's Office – Department Of Public Works – Buildings And Grounds

Resolution Summary: Per the request of the UC Sheriff this resolution replaces the present lease located at the Wallkill Body Shop and Glass, Inc. for a site located at 1500 NYS Route 208, LLC. This new location has more space for less cost which better suits the headquarter needs providing patrol services and crime prevention activities. Current site 450/SF, \$14.67/SF vs. proposed site 711/SF, \$12.66/SF.

Motion No. 7: Resolution moved for discussion

Motion By: Legislator Fabiano

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts

Discussion:

The committee reviewed the terms of the lease agreement.

Motion No. 8: Moved to adopt Resolution No. 475.

Motion By: Legislator Fabiano

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts

Voting In Favor: Legislators Fabiano, Greene, Litts, Loughran, Maloney

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 5

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution adopted

New Business

Legislator Maloney thanked and asked if paving was to begin on Sawkill Road Bridge and Ruby Road. Commissioner Plonski was unsure but understands the area will reopen shortly.

Chairman Fabiano thanked Sue and her department for the work done on Malden Turnpike.

Legislator Loughran inquired about the state thruway bridge work completion date.

Adjournment

Chairman Fabiano asked if there was any other business, and hearing none;

Motion Made By: Legislator Loughran

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts

No. of Votes in Favor: 5

No. of Votes Against: 0

TIME: 7:05 PM

Respectfully submitted: Nettie Tomshaw, Legislative Staff

Minutes Approved: December 8, 2016