

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES

Date: Tuesday, July 09, 2019 @ 1:00 PM

Present: Berwanger, Kehl, Grant, Granger, Davis, Hastings, Tallman, Vasile, Brunner, Leuer, May, Brick, King, Becker, Copeland

Absent: Ryan

Also Present: C. Ketchum/Board Clerk; J. Wujcik/Co. Atty.; J. Cook/Budget Officer; M. Dadd/Co. Atty.'s office; D. Farberman/HR Director; C. Mayer/Co. Treasurer

Department Agenda Item	Discussion	Decision	Action
1:00 PM County Clerk w/R. Pierce			
<p>1. <i>Referred from 06/25/19 Human Resource:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • County Clerk to discuss the new Green Light Law impact to Wyoming County DMV. 		<p>Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: Defeated: Referred to:</p>
<p><i>County Clerk Pierce reported on a recent Co. Clerk's NYS Association meeting in Syracuse. She explained that County Clerks are not really standing together on the Green Light Law. However, many are supporting Erie County Clerk, M. Kerns with his law suit against NYS. 12 other states have these laws and have not challenged. NYS only state to challenge. Of the 51 counties w/ DMV's, 30 letters have been sent to President Trump. The law takes effect 12/16/19. Co. Atty. Wujcik received paperwork filed yesterday on Erie Co.'s lawsuit against Gov. Cuomo. 1986 legislation makes it illegal to hire illegal immigrants. By passage of this law, duly elected Co. Clerks are being compelled to break federal law to comply with new state law.</i></p> <p><i>Asking for 2 things:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1- <i>Injunction to stop implementation until deemed constitutional</i> 2- <i>Voter registration and privilege to drive</i> <p><i>Monroe Co. making a determination soon as to their own lawsuit</i></p>			
<p><i>At 1:10 PM Supervisor Hastings, T/Eagle entered the meeting during this discussion.</i></p>			
<p><i>County Attorney Wujcik quoted from paragraph 27 of the Complaint which reiterates the Law which makes it legal for an illegal alien to sign an affidavit stating or claiming who they are instead of a Government issued social security number. Several concerns were discussed. Important that the injunction be approved.</i></p>			
Board of Supervisors:			
<p>2. <i>School Resource Officer funding discussion with Undersheriff Linder</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letchworth Central • Pioneer Central (Arcade Elementary) • Attica Central • Warsaw Central • Perry Central 		<p>Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: Defeated: Referred to:</p>
<p><i>Letchworth Central School Supt. T. Campbell concerned over funding through Senator Gallivan that has gone away. Chairman Berwanger read a list of funds that are no longer being funded through Senator Gallivan's office. Supt. Campbell asked for any amount. Supervisor Brunner, T/Java asked why schools don't just pay for it. The Chairman recounted the meeting prior to her term. The County agreed to provide some funding in the interest of public safety. Warsaw and Attica schools use part time police officers. Sheriff's Dept. believes in the program. Deputies Carrasquillo and Asquith have filled "holes" in the Sheriff's department this summer. Supervisor Brunner, T/Java asked what are the schools' expenses. \$20K – Warsaw; Perry; Arcade. Letchworth - \$32, 500 short; Attica - \$32, 500 short.</i></p> <p><i>Arcade –</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Village PD - \$35,000</i> • <i>School - \$35,000</i> • <i>Town - \$35, 000</i> <p><i>Warsaw contracts w/ the Village of Warsaw PD</i></p> <p><i>Budget Officer Cook asked if the county was going to just give the districts money. Senator Gallivan contributed directly to the schools. Supervisor Kehl, T/Attica – we made a verbal commitment to get SRO's in the schools. Perry and Warsaw Central took care of themselves. Wyoming Central showed no interest. Arcade Central did their own thing, Supervisor Kehl, T/Attica asked if the Board of Supervisors wanted to step in and fund Senator Gallivan's short fall? Supervisor May, T/Orangeville stated we made a commitment to protect the children. Supervisor Brunner, T/Java felt the schools need to fund this themselves. Supervisor Davis, T/Covington agreed.</i></p>			

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<p><i>It was suggested that the county fund through the end of next year then schools fund themselves. Supervisor May, T/Orangeville stated this is a public safety issue too. Supervisor Leuer, T/Middlebury asked Undersheriff Linder if there are other counties subsidizing School Resource Officer positions. Perry Village Admin questioned Supervisor Brick, T/Perry. Undersheriff Linder said the County has to be a stakeholder, not only in the school. Contract w/ School district now to cover time providing SRO services. Supervisor Brick, T/Perry said we can bring the School Superintendents back in and ask how we are going to make this thing work. Undersheriff Linder said the program needs to stay. Supervisor Copeland, T/Wethersfield said we should at least split the difference. Chairman Berwanger pointed out the money Wyoming County spends on Social Services programs. SS Program levy - \$10 million as compared to the \$15-\$18 million collected in taxes. Undersheriff Linder wants to maintain control. Right fit is important. Supervisor Leuer said SRO in summer help keep OT down. Chairman suggested Wyoming County fund \$10K - \$20K to each school district including Wyoming Central. \$100K .04/1,000 = \$4.00 \$100K - \$120K Will call Supt. Campbell to let him know discussion will continue during 2020 budget sessions</i></p>			
<p>3. Referred from 06/27/19 Public Works:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Snow & Ice Removal Contracts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Increase 2020/2021 contract \$200/lane mile ○ Continue National Weather Service study for contracts going forward. 	<p>See attached e-mail from Budget Officer Cook.</p>	<p>Motion: Davis 2nd: Granger Ayes: 15 Noes: Absent: 1 Ryan</p>	<p>Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: 08/01/19 Public Works Comm.</p>
<p><i>Supervisor Davis, T/Covington explained that the County Snow and Ice removal contract pays 61% of Covington's snow and ice removal costs. 2008 last time the snow index hit 1.89. 1.23 for 2019 budgeted for snow. 2015-2016 state snow index was <1.00, County still paid full index. Supervisor Kehl, T/Attica – Superintendents work for Supervisors. Attica will pay off equipment not increase highway budget. Supervisor Davis, T/Covington has no problem with increase and should review quadrant system. Review special quadrant for Middlebury and Pike. Supervisor Hastings, T/Eagle asked if it is fair to give some sort of increase. Budget Officer Cooks suggested \$250 / \$150 / \$150. Supervisor Leuer suggested \$100 per mile</i></p>			
<p><i>Senator Gallivan's Warsaw Representative, Eileen Hopkins provided Chairman Berwanger with the following list of Wyoming County funded projects through grants secured through Senator Gallivan's office. These funding sources have expired as of 12/31/18.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agriculture based Education Programming – FFA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Warsaw Central School \$10,000 ○ Perry Central School \$10,000 ○ Letchworth Central School \$10,000 ○ Attica Central School \$10,000 • Educational Programming – SRO <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Warsaw Central \$20,000 ○ Perry Central \$20,000 • Pioneer Library System <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Arcade Free Library \$2,500 ○ Eagle Free Library \$2,500 ○ Perry Public Library \$2,500 ○ Pike Library \$2,500 ○ Town of Gainesville Public Library \$2,500 ○ Warsaw Public Library \$2,500 ○ Wyoming Free Circulating Library Association \$2,500 			

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<p>4. <i>Office for the Aging:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dementia/Alzheimer's Caregiver respite funding. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 07/05/19 Chairman Berwanger instructed Director Aldinger to focus on utilizing Unmet Needs grant funding on eliminating the respite waiting list and the County will cover the cost of a new vehicle. <p><i>See attached e-mail from OFA & Youth Director Aldinger. @ Chairman Berwanger.</i></p>		<p>Motion: May 2nd: Tallman Ayes: 15 Noes: Absent: 1 Ryan</p>	<p>Carried: XXX Defeated: Referred to: APPROVED</p>
<p><i>Supervisor Brick, T/Perry asked if new Veterans Services van can be utilized. Chairman stated we can do whatever we want. Supervisor Brunner, T/Java – new program advertised on TV. Supervisor Kehl stated Attica Veterans were happy Veterans Services got the new van. Budget Officer Cook said we can appropriate from fund balance when we get to the end of the year. Supervisor Davis, T/Covington supported getting the van.</i></p>			
<p>5. <i>Preview results of the Compensation Committee meeting of 07/02/19.</i></p>	<p><i>Take results to Committee at the end of July 2019 for further review/action/approval. Make sure Department Heads are all aware of the 07/02/19 Compensation Committee Meeting results. The Compensation Committee can review further recommendations at that time.</i></p>	<p>Motion: Ayes: Noes: Absent:</p>	<p>Carried: Defeated: Referred to:</p>
<p><i>Supervisor Brick stated the Compensation Committee has met. Requests were considered, resulting in \$82,154.00 in market increases. 25 salary increases for 26 employees. Recommendation will go before Comm. at the end of the month. Last year a process was created. Criteria for increases was reviewed by HR Dir. Farberman Increase start 01-01-20. Market adjustments in addition to 2.5% cost of living increase. Chairman asked if there is a way to evaluate all employees for market value. HR Dir. Farberman said sure. Finance and IT most "out of whack." Supervisor Leuer had consensus on all but one position. Pretty much in agreement. Supervisor Brick said it is too late for this year for further adjustments.</i></p>			
<p><i>At 2:31 PM Supervisor May, T/Orangeville made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Hearing no objections, the motion carried.</i></p>			

Signature of Committee Chairman: p/A. D. Berwanger (C. Ketchum).



Next meeting scheduled for **There will be no Committee of the Whole Meeting in August due to the Wyoming County Fairgrounds location of the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Supervisors.**