

Finance & Personnel Committee
August 4, 2009
2:00 P.M.
County Office Building

PRESENT: Arthur Ospelt, Chairman; Legislators Fred Beardsley, Shawn Doyle, Dan Chalifoux, Jack Proud, Mike Kunzwiler, Paul Santore

STAFF &

GUESTS: Legislators Arthur Gearsbeck, Lou LeClair, Linda Lockwood. Legislature Chairman Barry Leemann, Dr. Norfleet, Richard Mitchell, Carol Alnutt, Kurt Ospelt, Bill Malone, Deborah Meyer, Fred Maxon, Fran Lanigan, Mark See, Dave Turner, Pat Ryan, Stephen Loadwick, Terri Somers

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 P.M. by Chairman Ospelt.

MINUTES

The minutes of the June 30, 2009 meeting were approved upon motion by Legislator Kunzwiler, seconded by Legislator Santore with all in favor.

UNCOMMITTED FUND BALANCE

Mark See reported that there is currently \$13,118,950.00 in the uncommitted balance.

Set OCPA Salary – Health Department. Dr. Norfleet explained that an individual felt to be the best qualified was selected from several applicants who interviewed for the position. This individual comes with her Bachelor’s degree in Nursing and currently is working on her Masters of Nursing. Dr. Norfleet requested a starting salary of \$48,927. Motion to approve by Legislator Chalifoux, seconded by Legislator Doyle with all in favor.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO INCREASING TAXES ON SALES AND USES OF TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY AND OF CERTAIN SERVICES, ON OCCUPANCY OF HOTEL ROOMS AND ON AMUSEMENT CHARGES PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 29 OF THE TAX LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. To comply with the “Home Rule Request Law” the Oswego County Legislature needs to pass a resolution authorizing any additional Sales Tax percentage above 3. In our case the additional 1% Sales Tax we are currently collecting needs to be approved by the Oswego County Legislature via resolution. Motion to approve by Legislator Kunzwiler, seconded by Legislator Santore with all in favor.

RESOLUTION IN REGARDS TO RECOVERY ZONE DESIGNATION. Motion to approve by Legislator Chalifoux, seconded by Legislator Santore with all in favor.

RESOLUTION FIXING TIME AND PLACE FOR PUBLIC HEARING RELATIVE TO PROPOSED COUNTY OF OSWEGO LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF THE YEAR 2009, ENTITLED, "A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING FOR A REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR COLD WAR VETERANS UNDER REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW §458-b" Motion to approve by Legislator Kunzwiler, seconded by Legislator Chalifoux with all in favor.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES WAGE SUBSIDY PROGRAM. To amend the Social Services budget to accept an award of \$367,928 to operate a Wage Subsidy Program for TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) eligible families. Motion to approve by Legislator Kunzwiler, seconded by Legislator Santore with all in favor.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES MENTAL HYGIENE PROGRAMS. To accept additional State Aid. Motion to approve by Legislator Santore, seconded by Legislator Kunzwiler with all in favor.

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING CAPITAL PROJECTS – BRIDGES, to establish capital projects for the purpose of replacing the Pendergast Road Bridge over Hinmansville Creek, Myers Road Bridge over Black Creek and replacing the CR 54 Bridge over Fish Creek. Motion to approve by Legislator Beardsley, seconded by Legislator Santore with all in favor.

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 197 ERF/INTERFACE WARM WATER RECOVERY. Motion to approve by Legislator Santore, seconded by Legislator Beardsley with all in favor.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION PROBATION DEPARTMENT – DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. Motion to approve by Legislator Santore, seconded by Legislator Kunzwiler with all in favor.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT UNANTICIPATED EXPENSES. Unanticipated cost of uniforms for the Correction Officers hired in 2009 as mandated by the NYS Commission of Corrections. Motion to approve by Legislator Santoro, seconded by Legislator Beardsley with all in favor.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION PURCHASING DEPARTMENT COPIER MAINTENANCE COSTS. Motion to approve by Legislator Kunzwiler, seconded by Legislator Santore with all in favor.

PERSONNEL

Workplace Violence Prevention Program

Personnel Director Carol Alnutt explained that NYS Labor law was updated to add this program. Our work sites have been evaluated and we will discuss a written policy program next month

Workers Compensation Third Party Administrator

Carol Alnutt explained that everything is on schedule. There are currently 8 proposals being evaluated.

Vacancy Reports/Employee Counts/Employees on Leaves of Absence. There were no questions asked with regard to these reports. Chairman Ospelt did mention that there has been a \$725,000.00 savings to date on vacant positions.

VACANCY REVIEW REQUESTS

New Business	Vacancy Date	Recommendation by Finance and Personnel Commit
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A. Social Services

1. Clerk (p.t.) - #40110902	06/29/09	Approved
2. Caseworker (Temporary) - #60101100	06/03/09	Approved
3. Caseworker - #60102077	08/07/09	Approved
4. Social Welfare Examiner - #60108018	07/31/09	Approved
5. Social Welfare Examiner - #60107014	08/03/09	Approved

B. Health Dept.

1. Registered Professional Nurse - #40113076	07/01/09	Approved
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C. Sheriff's Dept.

1. Correction Officer - #31150014	08/28/09	Approved
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D. Solid Waste Programs

1. * Maintenance Mechanic A (ERF) - #81770025	08/14/09	Approved
2. * Maintenance Mechanic B (ERF) - # not yet determined		Approved
3. * Loader Operator (ERF) - # not yet determined		Approved
4. * Assistant Loader Operator (ERF) - # not yet determined		Approved

* Note: These positions were not approved at the 7/30/09 Vacancy Review Committee; they were submitted to, and approved by, the Finance and Personnel Committee only on 8/4/09.

Motion to approve the filling of the above positions by Legislator Kunzwiler, seconded by Legislator Chalifoux with all in favor.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:20 P.M. Motion by Legislator Kunzwiler, seconded by Legislator Chalifoux with all in favor.