

# Warren County Board of Supervisors

**BOARD MEETING  
FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2017**



The Board of Supervisors of the County of Warren convened at the Supervisors' Room in the Warren County Municipal Center, Lake George, New York, at 10:29 a.m.

Mr. Ronald F. Conover presiding.

Salute to the flag was led by Supervisor Sokol.

Roll called, the following members present:

Supervisors Leggett, McDevitt, Braymer, Brock, MacDonald, Frasier, Simpson, Merlino, Strough, Seeber, Beaty, Montesi, Sokol, Thomas, Hyde, Geraghty and Conover - 17; Supervisors Girard, Vanselow and Dickinson absent 3

Supervisor Dickinson entered the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Chairman Conover began by apologizing for the late start of the meeting and he thanked everyone for their patience. Commencing the Agenda review, Chairman Conover noted a motion was necessary to approve the minutes of the April 21<sup>st</sup> Board Meeting, subject to correction by the Board. The motion was made by Supervisor Braymer, seconded by Supervisor MacDonald and carried unanimously.

Continuing with the Agenda review, privilege of the floor was extended to Jim Lieberum, *District Manager, Warren County Soil & Water Conservation District*, to review the draft 2016 MS4 (*Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System*) Annual Report. Mr. Lieberum indicated the annual report consisted of a compilation of the activities for the six minimum control measures and could be viewed on the Warren County Soil & Water Conservation District website and a link to the report had been placed on the Warren County website, as well. He added a hard copy of the Report was available for review in both the Department of Public Works Office and the Warren County Soil & Water Conservation District Office. He encouraged individuals to provide comments on the Report. He informed because a portion of Warren County was considered an urbanized community the responsibility for implementing this plan fell upon the County. He noted assistance was needed to attract volunteers for the following programs: Adopt a Highway; a Stream and/or Lake Clean Up Program offered once a year; Storm Drain Marking Program; and attendance to the public meetings which generally occurred twice a year. He stated he was pleased that the County was offering the Household Hazardous Waste Program again this year.

Motion was made by Supervisor Leggett, seconded by Supervisor Thomas and carried unanimously to close the public comment period of the MS4 Annual Report.

Moving on to the report by the Chairman of the Board, Chairman Conover read aloud the listing of meetings he had attended since the April Board Meeting. He stated on April 27<sup>th</sup> he attended a meeting of the Intercounty Legislative Committee of the Adirondacks in Fulton County during which they toured a bottling plant. He stated that he found the visits to other Counties and the exchange of ideas, programs and projects that took place during the meetings to be very valuable. He informed on April 28<sup>th</sup> he participated in Department Head evaluations all day and he commended all those who participated in the process. He mentioned he believed everyone who participated including the

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Department Heads were reacting well to the process. He said on May 8<sup>th</sup> he attended a meeting regarding the Warren County Soil & Water District and possible future funding requests from them. He advised this morning he had attended a ceremony where he observed the unveiling of a portrait of retired Supreme Court Justice David Krogmann.

Chairman Conover then called for the reports by Committee Chairmen on the past months meetings or activities.

Supervisor Sokol provided an overview of the May 4<sup>th</sup> Finance Committee meeting where proposed Resolution Nos. 176-177 and 206-207 were approved and he provided a brief overview of each. He informed that Terry Comeau, *County Corner*, had provided a brief presentation regarding the streamlining of coroner expenses which outlined a payment for services proposal that would reduce the expenses relating to autopsies for the County. He stated that due to the lengthy executive session that took place during the Personnel & Higher Education meeting they opted to continue the discussion at the next Committee meeting. He offered privilege of the floor to Mike Swan, *County Treasurer*, to provide the monthly update regarding the County's finances.

Mr. Swan stated the bond for the NSTEM (*Nursing, Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics*) and Court House Expansion Projects was on track. He said they had a meeting scheduled this afternoon to prepare for the bond rating call with Standard & Poor's on Tuesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 a.m. to discuss setting a new bond rating for the County. He mentioned he was encouraged by the preliminary discussions he had with Standard & Poor's that the County's bond rating would improve because of the efforts by Supervisor Thomas to hold the anticipated amount of sales tax revenue received flat, as the representatives of Standard & Poor's viewed this as favorable. He continued, on another positive note the settlement money from Siemens had been received and had been set aside in a special account entitled "*Siemens Settlement*" until the Board determined where they would like to allocate it. He mentioned if the money was left untouched it would roll over into the General Fund next year.

Mr. Swan apprised that he had been communicating this week with representatives of the SNCR (*Saratoga & North Creek Railroad*) regarding a dispute over how much money was owed to the County which he felt required addressing by the Board, as the Railroad was finding it difficult to come up with the money they currently owed the County. He noted no payments had been received from them since November of last year.

Supervisor Montesi asked Mr. Swan if he had any recommendations for the funding from the Siemens settlement and he replied in the negative. He noted it was the responsibility of the Board to make that determination but if it was up to him he would let it roll over into the General Fund next year. Mr. Sokol inquired what the County's current bond rating was and Mr. Swan responded the current rating was AA+. He stated the next level was AAA which was the highest rating that could be achieved. He noted what an accomplishment it was to have achieved the AA+ rating which was gained through them making smart economic decisions over the last few years and growing the General Fund substantially.

In response to Supervisor Montesi's question regarding the settlement funds from Siemens, Supervisor Braymer advised that Supervisor Sokol had indicated to her these funds would be discussed at a future Finance or County Facilities Committee meeting which she looked forward to participating in.

Supervisor MacDonald asked what the past due balance from SNCR was and Mr. Swan responded he was unsure of the total but noted they owed the County for December of 2016 through March of 2017. He stated they were short the \$81,000 they were required to pay to the County on an annual basis for 2016. Supervisor Geraghty interjected SNCR was shy of the \$81,000 due for 2016 by about \$9,100;

however, he noted, he believed an update regarding this would be forthcoming.

Supervisor Thomas remarked he was pleased to hear that Standard & Poor's was enthused with the County's decision to keep the anticipated amount of sales tax revenue received at a flat rate. He drew the Board's attention to a press release which was forwarded to them by Amanda Allen, *Clerk of the Board*, from NYSAC (*New York State Association of Counties*) pertaining to their efforts to deploy a Task Force on the "Raise the Age" Legislation. He mentioned this legislation could impact the County Probation Department, County Attorney's Office, Mental Health agencies, as well as the Department of Social Services. He noted Robert Iusi, *Probation Director*, was part of the Task Force which he felt would be beneficial to them. He commented a possible use for the Siemens settlement was to pay for expenses associated with "Raise the Age".

Supervisors Hyde and Leggett indicated they had nothing to report.

Supervisor McDevitt discussed the pending litigation with Jack Gillette and he voiced his frustrations with the Board having to deal with the repercussions resulting from a previous Board breaking their commitment to a constituent by allowing motorized vehicles on the bike trail. He stated that he hoped the matter would be addressed at a future meeting during an executive session so they could better understand the issues involved. He noted this was another example of a bad decision made by a previous Board that they had to deal with.

Chairman Conover informed he had requested that the County Attorney provide a full update on the matter during an executive session at a future Committee meeting.

Supervisor Braymer reported on the May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Environmental Concerns & Real Property Tax Services Committee wherein proposed Resolution Nos. 189-191 were approved. She called attention to proposed Resolution No. 190, *Authorizing Sale of Property in the Town of Bolton and Authorizing Conveyance of a Quit Claim Deed*, which placed a piece of property that had previously been foreclosed upon back onto the Tax Roll.

Supervisors Brock and MacDonald indicated they had nothing to report.

Supervisor Frasier reported on the May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Health, Human & Social Services Committee where proposed Resolution Nos. 182-189 were approved and she proceeded to provide a brief overview of each. She continued by providing an account of the April 24<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Support Services Committee where proposed Resolution Nos. 198-200 were approved.

Supervisor Simpson thanked Supervisor MacDonald for filling in for him during his absence at the May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Public Works Committee, which he proceeded with a brief overview of. He noted that SNCR's request to operate on weekends only was not set in stone, as they were considering alternatives to this, including being fully operational. Supervisor MacDonald encouraged all to bring their children to the Barney Barnhart Memorial Fishing Derby for Kids on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>, as the Fish Hatchery had stocked the Brant Lake Mill Pond on Wednesday for the event with two year old trout. He stated that he had attended the Spring Zing Fishing Clinic and Open House at the Fish Hatchery on May 13<sup>th</sup>. He noted the event was a success with over 300 attendees and he thanked the Sheriff's Office for participating this year. Supervisor Simpson provided a summary of proposed Resolution Nos. 193-196 which were approved at the meeting. He requested that Brian Reichenbach, *County Attorney*, provide an explanation regarding Floor Resolution No. 1.

Mr. Reichenbach apprised he prepared Floor Resolution No. 1, which pertained to amending the

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licensing agreement with Mark Matteo and Adirondack Safari for use of the Warren County Fairgrounds to hold a "Glamping Tour" to change the term of the event to commence on June 11, 2017 and terminate on September 30, 2017 and further to amend the provision of the Licensing Agreement to state that the Licensee will not serve, sell or provide alcohol or alcoholic beverages, but that guests of the Licensee may use and possess alcohol or alcoholic beverages upon the Fairgrounds property providing they are in conformance with all New York State and local laws and regulations during the event. He referred to a Resolution which was adopted in 1997 that prohibited the sale of alcohol in any form on the Fairgrounds. He said the amendment was required because Mr. Matteo relayed to them although he did not sell alcohol to the patrons of his event, but he did allow them to bring in an use their own alcoholic beverages in conformance with State Laws. He stated upon further investigation it was determined the amendment would have no impact on the insurance coverage, nor would it increase the premium. He added the sale of alcohol is permitted at the Wood Park which was why he felt moving forward with this amendment would be consistent with the desire of the Board. Mr. Reichenbach advised the other reason the agreement needed to be amended related to the term of the event. He explained when Mr. Matteo agreed to commence with the event at a later date to accommodate the Warrensburg Bike Rally he understood that to mean he would push the end date back further. He mentioned the amendment would clarify that the agreement will have the same number of days but start and end later.

Chairman Conover called for a motion to bring proposed Floor Resolution No. 1 to the floor. The necessary motion was made by Mr. MacDonald, seconded by Mr. Simpson and carried unanimously to approve the amendment as outlined above. Chairman Conover announced this would now be proposed Resolution No. 208.

Supervisor Dickinson stated that the Occupancy Tax Coordination Committee had met on April 24<sup>th</sup>, wherein they approved proposed Resolution No. 192, which he provided a brief overview of. He stated the first meeting of the Occupancy Tax Advisory Group went well and he thanked Frank Dittrich for his assistance with the meeting.

Supervisor Merlino proceeded with a brief overview of the discussion that took place at the May 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Tourism Committee. He noted the new website had been launched on April 28<sup>th</sup> and included new features such as flattering images of the area, an easy to use search engine and a booking option which allowed you to book a room with any of the registered lodging facilities in the region. He informed "I Love New York" had a Familiarization Tour which consisted of individuals from China who promoted tourism during which one day was spent in the region. He said during the tour here they visited the Hyde Museum in the City of Glens Falls, areas in Lake George, the Great Escape and Splashwater Kingdom, had dinner and stayed overnight at the Queensbury Hotel.

Supervisor Strough stated that the Legislative & Rules Committee had met on April 24<sup>th</sup>, wherein the discussion concerned plastic bag consumption. He said it was decided the public should be allowed to voice their opinion on the matter following which it was determined the most appropriate time would be at the June 14<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting which was taking place in the evening. He suggested that proposed Resolution No. 197, *Authorizing a Letter Requesting Legislative Action Aimed at Reducing Use of Single Use Plastic Bags and Promoting Reusable Bags in Order to Address Environmental Concerns*, be tabled until the next Board Meeting to allow the public to voice their opinions thereon.

Motion was made by Mr. Strough, seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried unanimously to table proposed Resolution No. 197 until the June 14<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

Supervisor Strough apprised upon the request of Supervisor Girard, who was unable to attend today's

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meeting, he would provide an overview of the May 1<sup>st</sup> County Facilities Committee meeting. He stated there were no resolutions approved at the meeting but he noted the Public Hearing on the proposed amendment to the Warren County FBO (*Fixed Base Operator*) had additional details which required discussion at the next Committee meeting before the Public Hearing could take place.

Supervisor Seeber reported on the May 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Personnel & Higher Education Committee, providing a summary of proposed Resolution Nos. 201-205 which were approved there. She stated she had attended the graduation ceremony for SUNY Adirondack and SUNY Plattsburg at the Glens Falls Civic Center last night during which she presented Andrew Paolano with the annual recognition which was given to a graduate from Warren County who had gone above and beyond and overcome obstacles to obtain their degree. She said Mr. Paolano would be attending the June 14<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting to allow the Board to meet him and see why he was so deserving of the recognition. She thanked Chairman Conover and Mrs. Allen for distributing to each graduate who was a resident of Warren County a letter of congratulations from Chairman Conover, as this was the first year this had been done. Supervisor Seeber informed a lengthy discussion took place at the May 4<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Personnel & Higher Education Committee regarding the County's health plan and whether they would like to move forward with the options presented by Jaeger & Flynn Associates concerning a Self-Insured Prescription Plan. She informed a joint meeting of the Personnel & Higher Education & Finance Committees was scheduled for June 14<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. for the sole purpose of continuing this discussion. In addition, Supervisor Seeber apprised that all of the mid-year Performance Evaluations had been completed and she thanked those who participated in the process. She acknowledged the Human Resources Department for their work on the process. She noted she was looking forward to the year-end evaluations. She mentioned the Personnel & Higher Education Committee had determined it was the appropriate time to commence the process of filling the County Administrator and/or County Manager position. She commended Supervisor Geraghty for a job well done filling in for the position. In conclusion, Supervisor Seeber advised the Airport Advisory Group had a productive meeting on May 4<sup>th</sup> during which they decided to move the date and time of the meeting to the Tuesday before the Board Meeting to allow for more time to discuss pressing matters such as the draft of the RFP for the FBO at the Airport.

Supervisor Beaty apologized for causing the meeting to begin late, as a number of the Supervisors including himself had attended the ceremony of the unveiling of a portrait of retired Supreme Court Justice David Krogmann which ran later than they anticipated. He remarked he felt it was disrespectful to both the taxpayers and other Supervisors present that the meeting commenced a half hour late and he expressed regret for their tardiness but he was unsure what could have been done differently other than letting individuals know in advance. Supervisor Beaty informed the Shared Services Committee had met on May 1<sup>st</sup> during which they discussed updates to the 2017 Estimated Savings and the State's Shared Services initiative. He explained the initiative directed the County to develop ideas for consolidations aimed at reducing expenses. He acknowledged Julie Butler, *Purchasing Agent*, for her efforts on the Shared Services Agreement, as he felt she was doing an exceptional job saving every participant including the County money, which was no easy task. He offered privilege of the floor to Mrs. Butler to provide a brief overview of some of the challenges she was faced with.

Mrs. Butler stated that she had met with all but two of the Towns to provide training on the County's software which allowed the bids and other information available to the Towns, the City of Glens Falls and the Village of Lake George. She said she would be setting up times to meet with the other two shortly to provide the necessary training. She mentioned she would be providing additional training to the Towns that had requested such. She informed because she had been out of the office a significant amount of time conducting the trainings she had fallen behind on some of her other job duties; however, she noted, the time she spent training at the Towns was worthwhile, as it provided her much needed feedback and direction. She apprised that one of the challenges the Purchasing

Department was faced with pertained to obtaining the correct information from the Towns. She stated this created issues because they did not find out until after the bid was awarded that the information transmitted to them by the Towns was incorrect. She continued, the Towns were not providing the previous pricing which meant it could not be reported on the Savings Report. She said this was requiring them to conduct multiple follow-ups in order to obtain the required information from the Towns. She suggested going forward that one follow up per bid be conducted with each municipality if it was required. She said she could hire a part-time person just to handle just the correspondence with the Towns with the amount of time she and her staff were expended on this. Mrs. Butler reiterated if the Towns had not provided estimates and were only piggybacking on a bid, the Purchasing Department still needed to know if any savings were realized, as she had not received any information from any of the Towns who had piggybacked on a bid. She continued, this meant if there were any savings it would not be reported toward their annual savings.

Supervisor Beaty informed Mrs. Butler would be distributing an email to all of the Supervisors and each individual she worked with in the Town which recapped the struggles they were dealing with. He remarked he believed more interaction on correct reporting would result in more savings being realized due to accurate reporting. He mentioned he thought everyone would agree to comply in order to make this process run smoother.

Supervisor Dickinson stated contrary to what Supervisor Beaty lead the Board to believe, the Town of Lake George was involved in the Shared Services program. He mentioned the process was rather time consuming, difficult and cumbersome with a number of issues arising. He informed the Town of Lake George operated with minimal staffing, all of whom were conscious of pricing and had expended a great deal of their time determining who had the best prices on the purchases made for the Town. He continued, this meant they had already taken advantage of the potential savings offered; he added another thing he found to be bothersome with the Shared Services agreement was that it excluded many of the local businesses and/or contractors, as the majority of the competitive bids received were from out-of the area. As an example he stated the bottled water contract offered by the County was selling it for less than what their current local supplier could purchase it for. He commented although savings may be realized, they were also upsetting many of the local businesses and/or contractors. He added the comparison paperwork required was very involved for the tracking of savings realized and appeared to be rather cumbersome. He acknowledged Mrs. Butler for the amount of work required to manage the program.

Supervisor Montesi apprised that he met every two weeks with representatives of Clark Patterson Lee, Frank Morehouse, *Superintendent of Buildings*, and Kevin Hajos, *Deputy Superintendent of Public Works*, to discuss the Court House Expansion Project. He informed the steel frame had been erected and work on the roof would commence this week. He stated once the roof was finished the work pace would pick up since the plumbers and electricians could commence work on the interior of the building. He stated they had resolved the issue with electricity for the building by having National Grid install separate service to the building which would be cost neutral. Supervisor Montesi advised that Supervisor Girard held a meeting with the Court Personnel who were assigned to the Court Expansion Project to provide them with the status of the Project and inquire whether they had any concerns they would like to discuss. He said although they indicated noise could sometimes be an issue whenever it came up they had been able to resolve it with the construction workers without further issue. Supervisor Montesi informed that the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee had met on two occasions this month, for the first time on May 1<sup>st</sup> wherein they approved proposed Resolution Nos. 178-181 which he provided a brief overview of. He said today he and three other Supervisors had toured the County Public Safety Building and he encouraged all who did not attend to take a tour at a later date, as he found it to be very informative. He advised it was necessary to address the purchase of portable radios

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for the Sheriff's Department which would cost \$274,883.31 and he requested that privilege of the floor be extended to Shawn Lamouree, *Warren County Undersheriff*, to explain further.

Undersheriff Lamouree said he had previously introduced a request to the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee to replace portable radios. He explained the portable radios law enforcement currently used were purchased in 2004 following which an analysis completed by an outside agency three years ago determined it was necessary to expend up to \$8 million on upgrades to the communications system. He continued, a portion of these upgrades included the replacement of the portable radios the Patrol Officers carried. He said upon the recommendation of Supervisor Thomas he held off on making the request to upgrade these portable radios until this year. He stated it was determined it would be more cost effective to purchase Harris portable radios rather than the ones manufactured by Motorola. He stated that the Finance Committee had determined the purchase of the radios should be funded through the Interoperability Grant; however, he noted, the funding from this grant had been set aside to erect two additional radio tower sites. He continued, if the Board sought to use these grant funds to purchase the radios, the monies would need to be reimbursed for the purpose of erecting the two additional towers. In addition, he informed they ran the risk of losing the 1.5% discount available through the end of the month which equated to about \$4,200. He mentioned using the grant funds to purchase the radios could result in a delay of up to three months because of all the paperwork associated with the use of grant funding for purchases. He mentioned their goal was to secure the radios prior to the summer season which was their busiest time of year.

Chairman Conover advised a motion was required to waive the Rules of the Board requiring that a resolution be presented in writing in order to move forward with the matter. The necessary motion was made by Supervisor Montesi and seconded by Supervisor Thomas to waive the Rules of the Board as outlined above.

Supervisor Braymer inquired whether this request had already gone before the Criminal Justice & Public Safety Committee and Mr. Montesi replied in the affirmative. He explained that the conflict arose when the Finance Committee determined the source of funding to pay for the radios should be the Interoperability Grant. Chairman Conover announced it was necessary to determine a source of funding to pay for the radios which he believed should be the Unappropriated Fund Balance.

Chairman Conover called the question and the motion to waive the Rules of the Board was carried unanimously.

Chairman Conover called for a motion to bring a resolution to the floor authorizing the appropriation of funds from the Unappropriated Fund Balance in the amount of \$274,883.31 to pay for the replacement of 100 Motorola portable radios and associated accessories purchased in 2004, with 93 new Harris portable radios and associated accessories. The necessary motion was made by Supervisor Montesi and seconded by Mr. Sokol .

Supervisor Braymer informed the same day they discussed the purchase of the radios they had discussed a request to create the new position of Patrol Officer #63 which she did not see within the resolutions before her and she questioned whether this was changed, as the creation of this was an expense they should all be aware of. Chairman Conover advised that Patrol Officer #63 was included on proposed Resolution No. 202, *Amending Table of Organization and Warren County Salary and Compensation Plan for 2017*.

Chairman Conover called the question and the motion was carried unanimously to bring the resolution to the floor as outlined above. Following the vote Chairman Conover announced the proposed

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Resolution to waive the Rules of the Board would be No. 209 and the proposed Resolution to authorize the appropriation of funds in the amount of \$274,883.31 to pay for the radios would be No. 210.

In conclusion, Supervisor Montesi stated the purpose of the second meeting, held on May 15<sup>th</sup> was to discuss the EMS System Report which outlined the issues with EMS coverage in the northern portion of the County following which it was determined they should review the cost of outsourcing the services to the City of Glens Falls or Empire Ambulance. He informed a follow-up meeting had been scheduled for June 8<sup>th</sup> to continue the discussion and review what the associated expenses would be.

Continuing to the report by the acting County Administrator Supervisor Geraghty recognized the following people for their years of service to the County which he said was greatly appreciated:

- \* Susan Kerr for 20 years of service to the Public Health Department
- \* Amy Hirsch for 20 years of service to the Office of Emergency Services

Supervisor Geraghty then read aloud a listing of the meetings he attended since the April 21, 2017 Board Meeting; a copy of which is on file with the items distributed at the Board Meeting. He commended all who participated in the Performance Evaluation process. He acknowledged the work exerted by the Human Resources Department and Supervisor Seeber on the process, as it had been very time consuming to put it in place; however, he noted, going forward he felt things would run smoothly. He said although some Department Heads were not pleased with the process, he felt it was an appropriate tool to use to determine an individuals performance. Supervisor Geraghty announced on May 11<sup>th</sup> the Warren County Municipal Center and Human Services Buildings were closed early due to a bomb threat. He stated he felt the efforts of the Sheriff's Office and how the employees handled the evacuation made the management of the entire process run rather well. He acknowledged Sheriff York, Undersheriff Lamouree and their employees for taking swift action, as a potential arrest was made and the cooperation between their Department and the New York State Police was exceptional. He pointed out the all employees remained calm during the evacuation and although there were a few issues they needed to address he felt overall the evacuation went well. He commented he made the determination to close the building once it was defined that the sweep of both buildings was going to take several hours.

Sheriff York commented it was imperative to acknowledge Mike Colvin, *Director, Information Technology*, for identifying the IP address of where the threats originated from within an hour of when it was first reported. He said this allowed his employees to work with the New York State Police to quickly identify a suspect. He added the Sheriff's Investigators did a tremendous job, as well.

Continuing with the Agenda review, privilege of the floor was extended to Mr. Reichenbach to provide a report from the County Attorney. Mr. Reichenbach stated he had no report.

Resuming the Agenda review, Chairman Conover called for the reading of communications, which Mrs. Allen read aloud, as follows:

**Reports from:**

1. Report of Criminal and Family Workloads for March 2017 from the Warren County Probation Department.
2. Capital District Regional Off-Track Betting Corporation Financial Reports dated January 31, 2017 and February 28, 2017.
3. Capital District Regional Off-Track Betting Corporation Audited Financial Statements for years ended December 31, 2016 and 2015.

Letter from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Prevention advising the

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State Review Board has recommended to the Commissioner of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation that the Heintzelman Library in Brant Lake, NY be listed on the New York State Register of Historic Places and nominated to the National Register of Historic Places.

Continuing to the reading of resolutions, Mrs. Allen announced proposed Resolution Nos. 176-207 were mailed; she informed that proposed Resolution No. 202 was amended after mailing and a motion was necessary to approve the amendment to the resolution. The necessary motion was made by Supervisor Geraghty, seconded by Supervisor Montesi and carried unanimously. She stated the following: there were no additional resolutions prepared after mailing; however, she reminded the Board of action taken earlier in the meeting: Resolution No. 197 was tabled; proposed Floor Resolution No. 1 was now proposed Resolution No. 208; the Resolution to waive the Rules of the Board that was brought forward from the floor was proposed Resolution No. 209; and the resolution from the floor to appropriate funds from the Unappropriated Fund Balance in the amount of \$274,883.31 to pay for the radios was proposed Resolution No. 210 and would be subject to a roll call vote.

Chairman Conover called for public comments on the proposed Resolutions but none were given.

Chairman Conover called for discussion on the proposed resolutions, as well as requests for roll call votes.

Supervisor Braymer advised while she was aware of why they were creating the new position of Patrol Officer #63 which she felt it was a worthwhile endeavor, she would like to see going forward they consider offering additional mental health services to the Patrol Officers, as well as the inmates. She pointed out although a significant amount of money was already expended on the inmates she felt it was imperative for them to consider offering these additional services since a number of inmates were Warren County residents.

Chairman Conover called for a vote on resolutions, following which Resolution Nos. 176-210 were approved, with the exception of Resolution No. 197, which was tabled.

Chairman Conover called for public comments from anyone wishing to address the Board on any matter; there being no response, he called for announcements.

Supervisor Geraghty reminded the Board members attendance was mandatory at the 30 minute Public Health Webinar which would commence shortly after the Board Meeting adjourned.

Chairman Conover reminded the Board members that the next Board Meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, June 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Supervisor Simpson advised he neglected to mention during his Committee report that the bids had been received for Road Projects and would be reviewed at the May 23<sup>rd</sup> Public Works Committee meeting.

Supervisor Merlino apprised he had notified the Lake Luzerne Town Board that he will be seeking his seventh term as Supervisor for the Town of Lake Luzerne.

Supervisor MacDonald thanked James Schrammel, *Fire Chief, City of Glens Falls*, for being visible and present during the process to determine a solution for EMS Services on a County-wide basis. He informed Chief Schrammel managed his Department well and provided an abundant amount of wisdom to the process which he wanted to ensure he was acknowledged for. He stated he would also like to

thank Supervisor Dickinson for representing the City of Glens Falls on the Occupancy Tax Advisory Group with the addition of Ed Moore.

Supervisor Braymer reminded them there would be public comment at the June 14<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting concerning the legislation to reduce the use of single use plastic bags.

Supervisor Geraghty informed due to the Warrensburg Town Board Meeting being scheduled on the same evening, he would be unable to attend the June 14<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

Chairman Conover extended privilege of the floor to Brian LaFlure, *Director, Office of Emergency Services/Fire Coordinator*, to provide an update on the storm clean-up from last night's storm.

Mr. LaFlure stated that the storm had been destructive in some areas within the region. He said he was working with National Grid regarding the timeline for the restoration of power. He mentioned there were areas where the power would not be restored until tomorrow. He advised National Grid was bringing in crews from a number of outside areas to assist with restoring the power. He informed he was unsure of which Supervisors from the Town of Queensbury and the City of Glens Falls were invited but there was a conference call with National Grid at 3:00 p.m. during which they would be discussing this in detail.

Supervisor Geraghty asked Mr. LaFlure to highlight the areas that were impacted by the storm because the northern portion of Warren County had none. Mr. LaFlure said the storm had a very distinct track which impacted the Town of Queensbury, the northern end of the City of Glens Falls and a significant portion of Washington County. He commented that Washington County had requested assistance from the State because even though they did not have as many customers due to the lack of concentration of people, the County covered a vast area.

Supervisor Montesi inquired whether there were any roads closed in the Town of Queensbury and Mr. LaFlure replied he was unsure but he noted that information could be found on the Warren County Sheriff's website. He remarked some of the areas had been cleared and the roads had been opened so that National Grid could commence working on restoring the power.

Chairman Conover apprised he had not received notice about the call with National Grid at 3:00 p.m. and Mr. LaFlure informed the call was for those in areas that were severely impacted, but he assumed anyone else who received the invitation was welcome to attend.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Supervisors, on motion made by Supervisor Simpson and seconded by Supervisor Frasier, Chairman Conover adjourned the Board Meeting at 11:36 a.m.