I. CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Lattimer called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE JULY 9, 2019, MEETING MADE BY MRS. FERRATELLA. SECONDED BY MR. VAN ETTen. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. County Manager

1. Hazardous Material Testing Services – Mr. Wheeler stated they solicited quotes for hazardous material testing services relative to the courts project. They received quotes from Envoy, Fibertech, Expert Environmental, Rochester Environmental and Buffalo Environmental. He recommended awarding to Envoy for $9,290.00. Mr. Wheeler recommended authorizing a not to exceed amount of $13,000.

MOTION: AWARDING THE QUOTE FOR HAZARDOUS MATERIAL TESTING SERVICES TO ENVOY FOR $9,290.00 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER, IF NECESSARY, TO SPEND UP TO $13,000.00 FOR SAID SERVICES MADE BY MR. MALTER. SECONDED BY MRS. FERRATELLA. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

2. Project Update – Mr. Wheeler stated there is nothing new to report. We are moving ahead with the design to get the bid package out in October for the first phase.

3. Bowling Alley – Mr. Wheeler informed the committee that they have been working with the seller’s legal team to finalize the sale. Ms. Prossick explained the deed was filed as a partnership and with the sale, they will have to file a deed reflecting that the partnership sold the building to the County. Mr. Swackhamer asked what are the next steps? Mr. Wheeler replied we will do the closing and will be coordinating the demolition with the vendor. Ms. Fitzpatrick asked will this be done before winter? Mr. Wheeler replied yes.
MOTION: TO ADJOURN REGULAR SESSION AND RECONVENE IN EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO PUBLIC OFFICERS’ LAW, ARTICLE 7§ 105.1F. THE MEDICAL, FINANCIAL, CREDIT OR EMPLOYMENT HISTORY OF A PARTICULAR PERSON OR CORPORATION, OR MATTERS LEADING TO THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, PROMOTION, DEMOTION, DISCIPLINE, SUSPENSION, DISMISSAL OR REMOVAL OF A PARTICULAR PERSON OR CORPORATION MADE BY MR. SWACKHAMER. SECONDED BY MR. VAN ETTEN. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

MOTION: TO ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RECONVENE IN REGULAR SESSION MADE BY MR. SWACKHAMER. SECONDED BY MR. VAN ETTEN. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS
   A. Bonding – Mrs. Hurd-Harvey distributed a handout depicting various options for bonding. If we paid 100 percent of the $10 million cost ourselves, we would lose a total of $420,000 in interest. The Office of Court Administration (OCA) reimbursement would total $450,000 which would result in a net gain to the county of $30,000. We believe the best option would be to just pay for the project ourselves.

Mrs. Hurd-Harvey stated the second option would be to take out a $10 million bond for 10 years, or for 5 years. On the 10 year bond, the total bond cost is estimated at $1,122,559. On the 5 year bond, the total bond cost is estimated at $565,684. The third option would be to take out a $5 million bond for 10 years, or for 5 years. The total bond cost on the 10 year would be $808,690 and the 5 year would be $530,100.

Mr. Wheeler commented we are in a position with the fund balance where we could carry that load. Mrs. Hurd-Harvey stated our advice would be to not bond the project.

Mr. Van Etten asked if we do the project in two phases, would we bond at the estimated total for the two phases? Mr. Wheeler replied the way you did it before made sense; bonding half and paying for half, but if you do that, you will lose reimbursement from OCA. The other thing is we want to maximize the relationship with OCA and determine what assurance we have. They would have a lot of capital and we will try to get whatever assurance we can.

MOTION: TO ADJOURN MADE BY MR. MALTER. SECONDED BY MR. SWACKHAMER. ALL BEING IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIES 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted by

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Deputy Clerk
Steuben County Legislature