



Onondaga County Legislature

JAMIE McNAMARA
Clerk

DAVID H. KNAPP
Chairman

MELANIE VILARDI
Deputy Clerk

401 Montgomery Street • Court House • Room 407 • Syracuse, New York 13202
Phone: 315.435.2070 • Fax: 315.435.8434 • www.ongov.net/legislature

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE MINUTES – JANUARY 25, 2021 VIRTUAL TIM BURTIS, CHAIRMAN

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. May, Mr. Rowley, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Jordan, Mrs. Ervin, Mr. Williams
ALSO ATTENDING: Chairman Knapp, Ms. Cody, Ms. Kuhn, Dr. Chase, Mr. Kinne, Mr. Donnelly, Ms. Primo, Mr. Morgan, Mrs. Venditti, Mr. Plochocki, Mr. Mento, Mr. Weber, Mr. Masterpole, Mrs. Corn, Mr. Sparks, Mr. Wixson, Mr. Kelley, Mr. Nicotra, Ms. Fricano, Cpt. Hawker, Ms. Hughes, Ms. Velasco, Mr. Frateschi, Mr. Williams, Ms. McNamara, Ms. Lesniak, Mrs. Vilardi, Mr. Paro, Mr. Frantzis, Mr. DeSantis and Ms. Whiteside

Chairman Burtis called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. *A motion was made by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Jordan to waive the reading of the previous committee meeting. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.* *A motion was made by Mr. Jordan, seconded by Mrs. Ervin to approve the minutes of the previous committee meeting. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.*

1. HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION:

- a. **Confirming Appointment to the Onondaga County/Syracuse Commission on Human Rights (Agnes McCray)**
- b. **Confirming Appointment to the Onondaga County/Syracuse Commission on Human Rights (Rasheada Caldwell)**

Mr. Donnelly:

- 1a - appointment of the Chairman; 1b - appointment of County Executive
- Resumes attached; Ms. Williams (Chief Diversity Officer) vetted both and was positive about the appointments

Mrs. Ervin and Mr. Williams requested to be co-sponsors for both Human Rights Commission appointment resolutions.

A motion was made by Mr. May, seconded by Mrs. Ervin, to approve item 1a. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ervin, seconded by Mr. May, to approve item 1b. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

2. **WATER ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION:** Frank Mento, Commissioner
- a. **A Resolution Approving Proposed Improvements for the Harbor Brook Drainage District Consisting Miscellaneous Culvert and Channel Improvements, in and for the County of Onondaga, New York (\$200,000) (Sponsored by Mr. Jordan)**
 - b. **A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of \$200,000 Bonds of the County of Onondaga, New York, to Pay Costs of Improvements for the Harbor Brook Drainage District Consisting of Miscellaneous Culvert and Channel Improvements (\$200,000) (Sponsored by Mr. Jordan)**

- Harbor Brook – reshape, maintain and fix concrete in Harbor Brook Drainage District
- Funds used to make sure flow is proper and good; not causing harm to surrounding properties; maintaining channel

Mr. Morgan clarified for Mr. Rowley that Harbor Brook Drainage District has its own tax levy, so there is no ability to grab surplus to do this.

A motion was made by Mr. Jordan, seconded by Mr. Ryan, to approve item 2a. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Jordan, to approve item 2b. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

- c. **A Resolution Approving Proposed Improvements for the Onondaga County Sanitary District Consisting of Phase I of the Metro Wastewater Treatment Plant Annex Asset Renewal Project, in and for the County of Onondaga, New York (\$4,000,000) (Sponsored by Mr. Jordan)**
- d. **A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of \$4,000,000 Bonds of the County of Onondaga, New York, to Pay Costs of Improvements for the Onondaga County Sanitary District Consisting of Phase I of the Metro Wastewater Treatment Plant Annex Asset Renewal Project (\$4,000,000) (Sponsored by Mr. Jordan)**

- Phase 1 of asset renewal measures required at MWWTP; series of projects will involve upgrading mechanical, electrical, structural and odor control; \$4 mil in engineering support; go out to bid; construction ~\$25 – \$30 mil or higher
- Trying to get engineer on board to orchestrate design and assist
- Dealing with 60-70 mil gallons flowing through every day; have to upgrade the assets

Mr. Jordan commented that this is for engineering not construction. The expense of these projects are what they are, as the County has to maintain the infrastructure, and hopefully make it less costly in the long run. Mr. Mento added that as they pivot away from the high order of magnitude of the ACJ projects, those projects end up at this plant as well. It is time to make sure the assets at the plant are performing adequately.

Mr. Rowley asked what has been done in the last few years at this plant, and how much was spent. Mr. Mento:

- 2 sides to plant: (1) wet side for liquid affluent to create sludge (2) dry side processes sludge - digesters, thickeners
- Projects alluding to are on dry side; replacing digesters right now; working on other biosolids equipment
- Significant dollars as well - digester project ~\$30 mil; ongoing now; working to take care of solids, then truck to landfill
- This is asset renewal on wet side of plant

Chairman Knapp said one of the huge expenses is sludge disposal to a landfill, and another large piece of equipment purchased was a processor to thicken and dry the sludge for disposal. County saves money drying out the sludge.

Mr. Kinne asked when the last time this was done, and also how much it cost. Mr. Mento responded that it was before his time in the 1970's. Mr. Mento can get more information on this. This is a whole variety of mechanical systems serving large components for liquid affluent. Mr. Kinne commented that he recalls a large amount of money being spent in the 1990's using the NYSERDA program to make improvements to the mechanicals. Mr.

Mento said he will get information on that as well.

A motion was made by Mr. Jordan, seconded by Mr. Ryan, to approve item 2c. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Jordan, to approve item 2d. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

e. A Resolution Approving Proposed Improvements for the Onondaga County Sanitary District Consisting of Route 481/298 Industrial Corridor Sewer Improvements, in and for the County of Onondaga, New York (\$6,250,000) (Sponsored by Mr. Jordan)

f. A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of \$6,250,000 Bonds of the County of Onondaga, New York, to Pay Costs of Improvements for the Onondaga County Sanitary District Consisting of Route 481/298 Industrial Corridor Sewer Improvements (\$6,250,000) (Sponsored by Mr. Jordan)

- Industrial pump station and force main; 481/298 corridor in Dewitt; enhance capacity for existing industrial users and new industrial users; asking for \$6.25 mil for construction; design currently in process
- New routing of the force main from pump station will take away from residential neighborhoods and minimize impact to residential community; will go to major trunk sewer in Carrier Circle; design ongoing and nearly complete

Chairman Burtis said this is necessary today, and the expense is what they see from WEP and the sewers.

Mr. Mento responded to Mr. Ryan that the engineering design is ongoing now including plans, specs and DEC approval. By the end of the first quarter, or into the second quarter, they will be done. Mr. Mento said in late spring or early summer this can go to bid to get a contractor working in the summer and fall.

A motion was made by Mr. Jordan, seconded by Mr. Ryan, to approve item 2e. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Jordan, to approve item 2f. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

3. PARKS AND RECREATION: Brian Kelley, Commissioner

a. A Resolution Authorizing Rehabilitation of the Oneida Shores Park Shoreline in and for the County of Onondaga, New York, at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$300,000, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$300,000 Bonds of Said County to Pay Costs Thereof (\$300,000) (Sponsored by Ms. Cody)

- Oneida shores boat launch; last year received \$320,000; this \$300,00 will finish project
- Second is various parks with several projects for maintenance and safety
- Third is lawn crypts at cemetery; pre-dug concrete graves; better manpower and more graves

Chairman Burtis said the boat launch needs improvement, and it is a highly used park.

A motion was made by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Ryan, to approve this item. Ayes: 6 Absent: 1 (Jordan); MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Kelley responded to Mr. Rowley that Parks received \$300,000 last year, but the bids came back at \$595,000. This \$300,000 will complete the first phase. The next phases include a weigh station, pay gate and retaining wall. This resolution is all construction.

- b. A Resolution Authorizing Various Improvements to Parks and Recreation Areas in and for the County of Onondaga, New York, at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$2,160,000, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,160,000 Bonds of Said County to Pay Costs Thereof (\$2,160,000) (Sponsored by Ms. Cody)**

A motion was made by Mr. May, seconded by Mrs. Ervin, to approve this item. Ayes: 5 Abstentions: 1 (Rowley) Absent: 1 (Jordan); MOTION CARRIED.

- c. A Resolution Authorizing Engineering and Survey Costs in Connection with Veterans Cemetery Lawn Crypts in and for the County of Onondaga, New York, at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$100,000, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$100,000 Bonds of Said County to Pay Costs Thereof (\$100,000) (Sponsored by Ms. Cody)**

Mr. May asked if they would be paying cash for this. Mr. Kelley replied yes; this is just for engineering to evaluate the site. The pre-dug crypts will gain 700 more burials per year per acre. Ms. Lesniak added that this is a bond resolution for \$100,000.

Mr. Morgan:

- All bonds have language allowing to evaluate current fiscal year and make determination if sufficient surplus for cash vs. bonding; anything that is 6 figures will look at while closing out 2020
- Potential to pay cash and forego issuance of bonds for these projects; timing will be probably end of February; will have idea of what looking at for 2020

Mr. Rowley asked if they are targeting 700 burials and are they doing anything with the markers. Mr. Kelley:

- Yes, 700 additional burials per acre
- The actual grave markers, yes; all will be pre-dug and set the same way
- Big difference was standard burials dug at 4x10 and these will be 3x8 for more room per acre
- Everything will be much neater set on more level ground; dig these in ideal weather; pre-dug in advance, marked out perfectly; everything dug in uniform and in unison; currently dealing with weather when digging
- Better esthetically and use less staff to do it

Mr. May said he appreciates the cash versus the bonding, and he would like to talk further to establish a reporting system to tell the Legislature whether they used cash or bonding that was approved. Mr. May stated for the record that he wanted to mention that right now, as a desire, especially under the current financial circumstances. He would like to be informed downstream on how the County intends to finance each of these projects.

A motion was made by Mr. May to approve this item.

Mr. Morgan:

- Typically timing of bond resolutions are either end of year or beginning of following; if they use cash, they would see them use the year end transfer authority to do that; only way without coming back to Legislature
- This process is reviewed with Chair of Ways and Means, then reported to Legislature; they are reported if using cash
- Can highlight these items for Chair and Legislature; there is vehicle to do that

Mr. Ryan asked if they decided to pay cash versus bonding, will they wait until they reconcile. When does the Legislature know this? Mr. Morgan replied that the resolutions allow for using surplus funds from 2020. They will make a decision once they know where they ended with 2020 (surplus or deficit). If the decision is to use cash, then it requires appropriating the money, which will be seen on the yearend transfers. This is reviewed and reported to the Legislature sometime in March.

Mrs. Ervin seconded the motion. Ayes: 6 Absent: 1 (Jordan); MOTION CARRIED.

4. FACILITIES MANAGEMENT: Archie Wixson, Commissioner

a. A Resolution Authorizing the Construction of Improvements at the Oncenter Facility in and for the County of Onondaga, New York, at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$500,000, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$500,000 Bonds of Said County to Pay Costs Thereof (\$500,000) (Sponsored by Ms. Cody)

- Yearly request for Convention Center, garage, War Memorial and John Mulroy Theater Complex
- In 2013, came to conclusion that plan for asset protection would be \$500,000 per year; continuation of request
- May hold back one year and spend \$1 million the next year; or spend \$500,000 each year; depends on need for facility
- 6 year capital plan is half million per year
- Found out last week that Olympia Zamboni will barely get through shortened Crunch season; will have to get another for next season; cost ~\$240,000; 8-9 months to order and receive
- Cash in project account today is \$1.2 mil
- Last year, did not invest, because of poor project bids for all capital projects - primarily because of pandemic; supply chain interruption; higher insurance rates; higher bidding rates (public bids 20% higher than anticipated)
- Because facilities were not used for public events, withheld investments last year; gearing up to do those now
- Additional \$500,000 will allow moving forward in 2021; next year will ask for same amount
- Zamboni has been declared a county asset because of value; unless Mr. Morgan uses flexibility, then in 2021 would have to order with capital funds
- Asking for bond; up to Mr. Morgan and Chairman to use cash surplus

A motion was made by Mr. May, seconded by Mrs. Ervin, to approve this item.

Mr. May said there is \$1.2 million in the account and asked what Mr. Wixson's intentions are this year. Mr. Wixson:

- Do not like to bite off more than can chew; will take a look at market; 2 years ago experienced poor pricing, because market flush with work
- Will have a downturn in construction market as follow to pandemic; believe this year will present for best pricing
- Would like to be able to utilize that strategy to get what can get done; get momentum like in 2017 when getting buildings in good shape, good events, good occupancy
- Following last bowling congress, had 5 year plan; but then severe downturn with pandemic
- Those will open back up, but not quickly; period of pause or lessening in spectator capacity; great opportunity to move forward

Mr. May stated for the record that he is going to vote in favor of this. One because of the pricing opportunity, and two just because things are slow, it does not mean the County can stop maintaining the facility.

Ayes: 6 Abstentions: 1 (Rowley); MOTION CARRIED.

5. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT: Captain Nathan Hawker

a. A Resolution Authorizing the Reconstruction/Construction of Improvements at the Corrections Facility in and for the County of Onondaga, New York, at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$98,000, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$98,000 Bonds of Said County to Pay Costs Thereof (\$98,000) (Sponsored by Mr. Ryan)

- Seeking authorization of construction and repairs to Corrections Facility; max estimated cost of \$98,000
- Part 4 of a 5 year capital improvement project
- \$48,000 for lighting on the grounds to improve security camera operation, plus overall safety and security of facility
- Current lighting is high pressure sodium bulbs in metal halide – not cost effective; seeking LED lighting, which is more cost effective and energy efficient; positive effect on bills
- \$50,000 for replacing housing unit and cell doors; deteriorate from rust, broken wells, cracks and gaps; impedes security and effects climate control; many steel doors need replacement with similar issues

Mrs. Ervin heard a comment at a town hall meeting about closing one of the facilities, and she asked if Captain Hawkers knew anything about it. Captain Hawker responded that he does not know, and that would be something the Sheriff would address. Mr. Ryan asked if someone at the County Executive's office is on to answer the question. Mr. Donnelly commented that the County Executive is looking at populations currently in both facilities and will make determinations based on state law: what is allowed, and what is in the best interest of the tax payers. There have been discussions with the Sheriff, but there is no definitive plan to close one of the facilities. Mr. Ryan asked if it is prudent to go forward with bonding resolutions to upgrade facilities that have ongoing discussions of closing. Chairman Burtis feels that is the question. Mrs. Ervin said the Legislature should be part of the discussions to be better ready to advise about what is here. Mr. Donnelly:

- Waiting on state for staffing levels of what could be done – minimum staffing mandates for these facilities
- Addressing or will be addressed in Governor's budget; will go long way with facilitating discussions on a consolidated facility or not
- Believe if there is a change in staffing levels, that would be something to look at; on top of populations in the facilities; make determination of whether facilities could potentially be consolidated

Mr. May believes the issue at hand is whether or not the County will be allowed to have local control regarding staffing levels. That is going to determine the County's needs. Right now those requirements are dictated, and as a result, the County operates in an overstaffed capacity at times. When the population is down, there is no flexibility to economize where appropriate. Mr. Donnelly agreed with Mr. May. More local control would aid in managing the facilities.

Chairman Knapp said the original resolution was \$368,000 with \$270,000 of it for air conditioning upgrades. There was similar discussion at committee, which is the reason the resolution was amended to take out the air conditioning and leave the lighting and security. The items left are for the safety and security of staff and inmates.

A motion was made by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rowley, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

6. EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS: Julie Corn, Commissioner

**a. A Resolution Authorizing Refresh/Replacement of the Next Generation E911 System, New York, at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$2,350,000, in and for the County of Onondaga Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,350,000 Bonds of Said County to Pay Costs Thereof (\$2,350,000)
(Sponsored by Mr. Ryan)**

- First project is replacing Next Gen 911 phone system; extension from last year; multi-year request
- Last year was \$212,000 for consulting services in developing RFP to keep Next Gen 911 ready; now requesting funds for system itself
- Last year, no longer needed RFP consultant; saved County money; happy with current system; do not need to change; need to upgrade current system
- 911 phone system is how the calls come in and provide essential services to citizens
- Mandatory upgrade; current system installed in 2016 and expires in 2021; reached end of useful life
- With this upgrade, can also replace NICE recording; installed in 2014 and has reached end of useful life
- Next Gen 911 is future - keeps pace with way Americans communicate: text, phone and video, then move to IB based technology; transition mandated by FCC and NYS DHSES (Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services)
- Projected \$3.7 mil last year, but able to reduce bonding to \$2.35 mil
- Next Gen 911 ready is FCC mandate; this is the least costly option and a mandatory upgrade; meets both requirements

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. May, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

b. A Resolution Authorizing the Repaving of the E911 Center Parking Lot in and for the County of Onondaga, New York, at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$344,000, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$344,000 Bonds of Said County to Pay Costs Thereof (\$344,000) (Sponsored by Mr. Ryan)

- Repave parking lot for \$344,000; repeat request from last year, which was not approved
- 30 year old parking lot that is deteriorating; employees do not feel safe
- Minefield of potholes; not clear on snowy day; someone fell and sprained ankle
- This will also allow for conduit to be placed underground; need to do with migrating technologies for more wire space

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mrs. Ervin, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

7. FINANCE, DIVISION OF REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES: Donald Weber, Director

a. Approving and Directing the Correction of Certain Errors on Tax Bills

- Resolution to correct various errors on 2020 town and county tax bills
- Dewitt – error on number of town trash units billed; 75 units instead of .75; town money
- Lafayette – large one; \$100,000; bank that collects taxes did not report quite a few as being parcels paid, and school tax was added to county tax in error
- Manlius – county sewer charge error; confusion where meter was
- Pompey – should have been fully exempt; assessor made an error
- Salina - clerical errors

A motion was made by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Rowley, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

8. COUNTY CLERK: Chris Plochocki, Deputy County Clerk

a. Authorizing New York State Reimbursement for 2021 Expenses of the Recording Officer for the County of Onondaga for Administration of Mortgage Taxes

- Reimbursement of salary and other expenses for collection and distribution of mortgage tax for state
- Total for 2021 is \$440,193 - down slightly from last year due to decrease in IT expenses

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Rowley, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

9. A Local Law to Amend the Onondaga County Hotel Room Occupancy Tax (ROT) Law, Being Local Law No. 4 of 1975, as Amended, by Increasing from Five Percent to Seven Percent the Tax on Hotel or Motel Occupancy in Onondaga County

Mr. Donnelly:

- Local law to modify 5% ROT to 7%
- In January 2020, Legislature sent memorializing resolution to state asking for modification; approved by state and signed off by Governor in December 2021
- ROT estimate for 2021 is \$4.8 mil; based on effective date in March, hopeful will bring in another \$1.6 mil in 2021
- Intention that anything above the \$4.8 mil would go to arts agencies that had allotments reduced in 2021
- This would include Visit Syracuse; across the board for anything that is part of ROT funding
- The \$1.6 is based on the estimated collection of \$4.8 mil in 2021 budget; each percentage is ~\$960,000, which comes up to just over \$1.9 mil; prorated based on effective date of March 1st

Mrs. Ervin asked if this would include the money the town of Dewitt is looking for to do Carrier Fields. Mr. Donnelly responded no; for 2021 they are looking to offset cuts in the ROT as presented. They would look for

funding in 2022 for the fields.

Mr. Donnelly replied to Mr. Rowley that he does not believe there is a sunset. He will check with the Law Department to confirm. **Mr. Rowley requested that Mr. Donnelly get back to Chairman Knapp and Leader Ervin with the answer on that.**

Chairman Knapp:

- This was all pre-pandemic; this was asked for by hospitality industry in County to help them attract more tourism to County; hopefully with recovery coming, will be able to get back in the game
- 99% sure no sunset on this; during budget there was concern that they may be overly optimistic with ROT projections; hoping 2% will get the County even; would be good problem to be over

Mr. May:

- At day job spend time listening to economists; hospitality one of last industries expected to come back from pandemic
- Show some elasticity in that market in that regard; know how much service based industries have become big drivers in local economy; do not love notion of raising tax, but investment toward rebounding and competing better
- Those in tourism did nice job explaining how additional funding will help compete on par with neighbors
- Important thing to ratify and move forward with

A motion was made by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. May, to approve this item. Ayes: 6 Absent: 1 (Jordan); MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Ryan:

- Might be getting more money because of less shortfalls with state aid
- Asking Mr. Morgan or Mr. Donnelly – Governor’s budget talked about 5% projected cut in state aid; County projected deeper cuts
- If that passes, then what would that money be spent on?

Mr. Morgan:

- Amount projecting has potential reduction of state aid for 2020 at 5%; would go into analysis for closing 2020
- If that is the case and end better than anticipated, then use less fund balance than anticipated
- 2021 budget contemplated another 20% reduction; potential reduction in 2021 still tentative; budget still has to pass at state level; see what happens there; deal with that in similar way; help navigate year and end year right side up

Mr. Ryan:

- What was the budgeted shortfall in all funds with anticipated 20% or 24% loss? Where would County be if 5%?

Mr. Morgan:

- This year and next year state aid reduction in \$20 mil range - 5% would only be \$5 mil
- Still have to go through calculations for 2020
- Anything better in 2020 from that perspective will help end year in better position
- Spending done for 2020; accruals due this week; get finishing touches; will help reduce amount to tap into fund balance

Mr. Ryan:

- Good news - hopefully budget passes and it goes to 5%
- Sales tax came in higher than projected in last quarter; December payment higher; finishing up 4th quarter
- That is additional money to what was budgeted
- Does that go back into fund balance, or use to offset cuts in budget?

Mr. Morgan:

- Not final with sales tax; 2 payments left for 2020; will receive in February
- Along with all other things going into budget; process over next month to work with Comptroller; finalize 2020
- Sales tax, state cuts or spending – if things end better than anticipated, then will help end year in better position

- Not tap into fund balance
- Spending perspective will not change; may come in different, but will not change spending
- Except potentially using money for capital projects instead of borrowing (only potential change in spending)
- 2021 different story – if end 2020 better than expected, budget was based on finishing 2020 at -7%, then start year at better position; do not know where they will be ending up with sales tax until year is over; not able to do that
- Need excess revenue to do that; sales tax perspective, will not know until end of 2021 fiscal year
- Is there an ability to appropriate additional expenditures to support budget - from revenue perspective, you cannot unless there is excess revenue from what was budgeted; lot of revenues they will not know until end of year
- Possible spending that is a choice would be potential stimulus from federal government

Mr. Ryan said if the end of the year sales tax and the remaining payments come in higher than anticipated, then either the County uses less fund balance to close out 2020 to restore cuts, or just use less fund balance. Mr. Morgan stated that 2020 is over, so there is no ability to spend more in 2020. The only potential is for 2021. Even going into 2021 with a better position than anticipated, he still will not know if there is excess sales tax until 2022. The ability to appropriate and spend revenue has to be considered excess revenue, and it has to exceed what was budgeted. Excess sales tax revenue will not be known until late into 2021 or beginning of 2022.

A motion was made by Mr. Rowley, seconded by Mr. Ryan, to adjourn the meeting. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



JAMIE McNAMARA, Clerk
Onondaga County Legislature