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COUNTY FACILITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES – APRIL 19, 2022 **DEBRA CODY, CHAIR**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Kinne, Mr. Bush, Dr. Kelly, Mrs. Ervin

ALSO ATTENDING: Mr. Rowley, Mr. Voss, Ms. Jeschke, Ms. Donahue, Mr. Mulvihill, Mr. Tripoli, Ms. Murphy, Ms. Lesniak, Mr. DeSantis, Ms. Vilardi

Chairman Cody called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. *A motion was made by Mr. Kinne and seconded by Mr. Bush to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the previous committee. MOTION CARRIED.*

1. TRANSPORTATION: Martin E. Voss, Commissioner

- a. Amending Resolution No. 72-2021 to Increase the Authorization to Pay in the First Instance 100% of the Federal and State Aid Eligible Costs by an Additional \$190,000 for the Construction and Construction Inspection Phases of the Old Route 5 (CR 98) and Warners Road (CR 63) Paving (2R) Project, PIN 3755.69 and Authorizing Execution of Agreements (\$190,000)

Mr. Voss:

- 2022 DOT work plan – nine resolutions – projects that are already funded and approved – State requires that each has a resolution for each transaction
- West Genesee Street project in Geddes and Camillus – final phases – issues with National Grid and complicated by underground utilities
- Answered Ms. Cody’s question about the timeline – developed for nine years – construction last year – final stretch

A motion was made by Mr. Bush, seconded by Dr. Kelly to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

- b. Amending the 2022 County Budget to Fund in the First Instance 100 Percent of the Federal Aid Eligible Costs at a Maximum Amount of \$680,000 for the Design (Scoping I-VI) and Right-of-Way Incidentals Phase of the John Glenn Boulevard (CR 81) Paving Project, PIN 3756.71, and Authorizing the Execution of Agreements (\$680,000)

Mr. Voss:

- Will finish this project in 2025-26
- Answered Mr. Kinne’s question when was this last done – more than 20 years ago would be my estimate

A motion was made by Dr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Bush to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

- c. Amending the 2022 County Budget to Fund in the First Instance 100 Percent of the Federal Aid Eligible Costs at a Maximum Amount of \$552,000 for the Design (Scoping I-VI) and Right-of-Way Incidentals Phase of the Old Route 57 (CR 91) and Soule Road (CR 96) Paving Project, PIN 3756.72, and Authorizing the Execution of Agreements (\$552,000)

Mr. Voss:

- Two course pavement treatment – Town of Clay – design was awarded this year – construction 2025-26

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

- d. Amending the 2022 County Budget to Fund in the First Instance 100 Percent of the Federal Aid Eligible Costs at a Maximum Amount of \$232,000 for the Design (Scoping I-VI) and Right-of-Way Incidentals Phase of the Lakeshore Road Bridge Over Nine Mile Creek Project, PIN 3756.73, and Authorizing the Execution of Agreements (\$232,000)

Mr. Voss:

- Bridge project over Nine Mile creek – Town of Cicero – design this year and next then construction 2026

A motion was made by Mr. Kinne, seconded by Dr. Kelly, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

- e. Amending the 2022 County Budget to Fund in the First Instance 100 Percent of the Federal Aid Eligible Costs at a Maximum Amount of \$360,000 for the Design (Scoping I-VI) and Right-of-Way Incidentals Phase of the Limestone Plaza Bridge Over Limestone Creek Project, PIN 3756.74, and Authorizing the Execution of Agreements (\$360,000)

Mr. Voss:

- Village of Fayetteville – begin design – approval in 2023 construction 2025

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

- f. Amending the 2022 County Budget to Fund in the First Instance 100 Percent of the Federal Aid Eligible Costs at a Maximum Amount of \$600,000 for the Design (Scoping I-VI) and Right-of-Way Incidentals Phase of the Onondaga Boulevard (CR 240) Paving Project, PIN 3756.75, and Authorizing the Execution of Agreements (\$600,000)

Mr. Voss:

- Design and scoping - Town of Onondaga and Geddes – possibly bike lanes – design in 2023 – construction 2026

A motion was made by Mr. Kinne, seconded by Dr. Kelly, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

- g. Amending the 2022 County Budget to Fund in the First Instance 100 Percent of the Federal Aid Eligible Costs at a Maximum Amount of \$560,000 for the Design (Scoping I-VI) and Right-of-Way Incidentals Phase of the Seventh North Street (CR 45) Paving Project, PIN 3756.76, and Authorizing the Execution of Agreements (\$560,000)

Mr. Voss:

- Design and right of way – Town of Salina – design 2023 construction 2026
- Answered Ms. Cody’s question – sidewalks are always evaluated and will happen if the Town will maintain them

A motion was made by Mr. Kinne, seconded by Dr. Kelly, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

- h. Amending the 2022 County Budget to Fund in the First Instance 100 Percent of the Federal Aid Eligible Costs at a Maximum Amount of \$320,000 for the Design (Scoping I-VI) and Right-of-Way Incidentals Phase of the Buckley Road (CR 161) Paving Project, PIN 3756.78, and Authorizing the Execution of Agreements (\$320,000)

Mr. Voss:

- Design stage - Town of Clay – busy area – design 2023 construction 2026

A motion was made by Mr. Kinne, seconded by Dr. Kelly, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

- Amending the 2022 County Budget to Fund in the First Instance 100 Percent of the Federal Aid Eligible Costs at a Maximum Amount of \$1,643,500 for the Design (Scoping I-VI) and Construction Phases of the North Manlius Road Bridge Over Limestone Creek (C-141) Project, PIN 3756.91, and Authorizing Execution of Agreements, and Rescinding Resolution No. 98-2019 (\$1,643,500)

Mr. Voss:

- Design stage - Town of Manlius – final design 2022 – construction 2024

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

- 2022 Transfer Resolution (\$16,567)

Mr. Voss:

- Came over in January or February to discuss modification of municipal snow removal agreement – picked up additional miles in Manlius – asked Marcellus to pick up two miles – need additional \$16k to pay Marcellus

A motion was made by Mr. Bush, seconded by Dr. Kelly, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

- BOND:** A Resolution Authorizing Various Bridge Improvement Projects in and for the County of Onondaga, New York, at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$1,300,000, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$1,300,000 Bonds of Said County to Pay Costs Thereof (\$1,300,000)

Mr. Voss:

- Operations budget included \$1m cash – know baseline CHIPs level – bonding will support overall work plan – traffic systems included – State just passed budget and there are additional programs – maybe something for potholes – told it will be distributed via population but not for sure – we stay on top of potholes – should State provide funding will notify Legislature in May – this project list could grow
- Work plan is a good size for this year – includes Caughdenoy Road at Route 31, Bear Road in the Town of Clay, North Manlius bridge project – final work on Loop the Lake trail – the most difficult piece of the trail – moving aggressively – have to go through the process with counsel
- Answered Mr. Kinne’s question where is last piece of Loop the Lake – Murphy’s Island to Bloody Brook at Onondaga Lake Park – along the parkway, under the railway bridge – connect where you park your car for softball fields – only way is to go through Murphy’s Island

Mr. Kinne:

- Thank your for help with Geddes on the little piece of land

Dr. Chase:

- I go up and down Onondaga Lake Parkway several times a week – where will the path go – there is only a small space

Mr. Voss:

- First time I looked at it I had the same reaction – NYS is doing a safety project for the parkway so onerous is on them to design and present to the public to realign the parkway – this will allow us the room to build the trail
- Answered Ms. Cody’s question are they still talking about taking down a lane - been meeting with the

State biweekly for a year – following the process to see how they are going to do this – have to coordinate construction with Old Liverpool Road so doesn't screw up traffic

- When we get to a point of design we will show you

Dr. Chase:

- They would have to give up a lot of the Parkway – no room for the geese
- Mr. Voss agreed that there will there be another bridge

Mr. Kinne:

- Bridge on Sentinel Heights Road has been removed and wasn't aware it was happening

Mr. Voss:

- NYS never notified Onondaga County (“OC”) – frustrating – had signs up before OC was notified – you can build a bridge with traffic but can't tear it down with traffic
- Mr. Kinne asked if Northern end of Onondaga bridge that is one lane is owned by OC – answered I think we own that – OC has 265 bridges

Mr. Kinne:

- Asked why is it only one lane – Mr. Voss answered has to have volume and high usage to change – OC doesn't want to encourage additional traffic – trying to right size the traffic around the lake

Mr. Rowley:

- Has building spending always been in road work plan – Mr. Voss answered yes, always have maintenance in there for buildings – not large enough for CIP – normally things like fire systems

Mr. Voss

- Answered Ms. Cody's question about the North area facility - original plan was to tear it down – had an estimate done – came in \$3m over our bond – can't go ask for more money – have been rebuilding structure from the inside out – bones were good and floor was good – needed a roof, windows, HVAC, plumbing – picking off projects one by one – removed all the asbestos – old conduit was ripped out – less than half of the estimate – LED lighting program through National Grid about \$50k – a lot of work – employees have a new lunch area and new bathrooms
- Answered Mr. Kinne's question – roof was replaced for \$1.3m – membrane with a stone surface – will last 100 years

Mr. Bush:

- Last year road program was \$30m what is it this year – Mr. Voss answered this year is more baseline – don't have the ARP funds like we did last year – not going to be as visible as last year – 200 miles of pavement last year – total work plan this year is \$18m

A motion was made by Dr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Kinne to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

1. **BOND:** A Resolution Authorizing the Reconstruction and Construction of Improvements to Various Highways in and for the County of Onondaga, New York, at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$9,275,000, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$9,275,000 Bonds of Said County to Pay Costs Thereof (\$9,275,000)

A motion was made by Dr. Kelly, seconded by Mr. Kinne to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED

2. ONONDAGA HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION: Gregg Tripoli, Executive Director

- a. Informational update

Mr. Tripoli:

- OHA is a private, nonprofit with retail operations – services include collect, preserve, and catalog for OC

- Everything OHA does is to raise money to accomplish those tasks
- It is required by municipal code that OC has a historian on staff
- 200 educational programs every year
- Publish books – currently publishing a book about mansions on James Street and about the people that lived there that built our city
- Book about Frederick Douglas went on to win the Pulitzer prize
- Publicize a glossy magazine twice a year
- Produce film – next film is “Let them know you’re there” – they have a basketball book – new film is on the air cooled auto that was built in Syracuse
- Provide consulting working with community to educate about Route 81
- Six museums – two are downtown – one is military museum at the War Memorial – reminds folks the building is to honor our veterans
- Salt museum at Onondaga Lake Park – on the other side of the park – OC asked OHA to take it on – OC provided about \$250k of the project – OHA gifted \$1m to the project
- Operate and manage that facility and maintain it through a general license agreement with OC and has received international attention – OHA subsidizes a tiny bit – no funds received from OC
- Montgomery Street has a permanent exhibit – also hosts a retail store – do all retail gift sales at downtown Marriot hotel
- St Marie museum, regional airport museum and brew museum at Heritage Hill in Jamesville
- Like to partner with other organizations – part of our economic development – use history to spur development
- Developing 7th museum as a house – thank OC for all their help – the house was built and lived in by the craftsmen – still most popular style in the country – process of restoring house – OHA will operate it as the first boutique hotel – will have five rooms and will allow people to stay in the museum
- Answered Mr. Kinne’s question about location – the house is off Genesee Street
- Have no control over workload – Syracuse China had international scope and went out of business after 140 years – first company in the US to have documentation about recruiting – patents, scientific – rolled edge that helped prevent chipping – opened doors for commercial use – Libby was selling to the highest bidder – came with six tractor trailer loads of product
- OHA fulfills a tangible service for OC – not just a tourist attraction – have a serious role to play and an essential service to OC
- Been there for 14 years – focused on building awareness and work with local companies – worked with local company (Willow Rock Brewery) to bring back Congress beer – helped a local entrepreneur – distribution rights in Maryland, DC and Virginia – named last year as one of the top beers to have at a picnic

Mr. Kinne:

- Nice article about SU – passed along to older brother that lives out of state

Mr. Tripoli:

- Love to hear that people share the magazine with others – consider getting brother his own subscription
- Grew up in Liverpool and didn’t know anything about the area – started to learn about who we are and how we impacted the rest of the world – want everyone to feel that they love where they live – instill pride in our community

Ms. Cody:

- Still so much more to OHA around OC like the aviation museum at the airport
- Did get to the brewseum at Heritage Hill - favorite is the ghost walks – especially in Eastwood

Mr. Tripoli:

- Brewseum - dealt with Norm Swanson but 81 changed so then COR but COVID came along and then found Heritage Hill - Dan Palladino runs a great family farm that has been around for 175 years – get history out where people are – may be the most well attended satellite museum
- A lot of work but very popular – Oakwood cemetery ghost walk is coming up
- Past 14 years – OHA has had 13 consecutive years of positive growth – managed to operate successfully and have funneled surpluses into an endowment which just went over \$4m – more than weathered the storm – good stewards of funding
- Downtown Marriot - do all exhibits in the lobby, sports bar and mezzanine level – deal with owner – told him it would be better to use arts that speaks to our local history – when I found out how much hotels pay for art decided OHA would give hotel everything in exchange for being at the grand opening – cleared \$260k for the grand opening party

Mr. Bush:

- When I was on the board you didn’t have two nickels – Mr. Tripoli responded it’s important to have someone with a business background and to use our history to spur economic development
- Five museums in 13th district and very little coordination – sad more isn’t done to help support them

Mr. Tripoli:

- We love the little museums – was some friction – we are the big guy in town – we reached out and it’s difficult – ask if there is anything we could do to help them – it’s tough – it’s not an easy business – we wouldn’t survive without doing all these things
- Our collections are amazing – they allow us to write books and make films – collections are in serious jeopardy – building is fantastic – could be expanded – great spot in a historic building – collections are stored in no heat, no air conditioning, no humidification and the roof is leaking – had to build awareness and show people the track record to take care of the collections – been looking inward to raise money to provide proper care for collections – will come to ask for help – raised \$1m and put it into a county building
- Committee was invited to tour the facility – Ms. Cody and Dr. Kelly took the tour after the meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Kinne, seconded by Mrs. Ervin to adjourn the meeting. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



MELANIE VILARDI, Deputy Clerk
Onondaga County Legislature

ATTENDANCE

COMMITTEE: COUNTY FACILITIES COMMITTEE
DATE: APRIL 19, 2022

NAME (Please Print)	DEPARTMENT/AGENCY
Manly Voss	DOT
Patli Jeschke	DOT
Penny Dombay	DHS
Dan Mulvihill	Fin ops
Tenisha Murphy	CE office