

BUDGET AND SALARY REVIEW COMMITTEE

July 26, 2012

PRESENT:

Patrick Grattan, Chairman
Elizabeth Young
Robin Andrews
Lawrence Andrews
Kevin McDonald
Arthur Bassin
William Hughes, Jr.
Richard Keaveney
Ray Staats
Richard Scalera

ABSENT:

Roy Brown

ALSO PRESENT:

Becky Vinchiarello, Deputy Clerk
Catherine Hogencamp
Ronald Caponera
Rob Fitzsimmons
Ellen Thurston
Lyn Kutsky
Kary Jablonka
Ron Knott
Michaele Williams-Riordon
P.J. Keeler
Paul Mossman
Kenneth Flood
Sara Sterling

Press: 1

Chairman P. Grattan called the meeting to order at 2:00 P.M.

Pine Haven

Resolution Request – Authorization to fill: One (1) FT RPN GR17 with a starting salary of \$53,361.00 and one (1) FT attendant GR10 with a starting salary of \$27,531.00. Motion to approve by A. Bassin, seconded by R. Keaveney, motion carried. **Refer to Finance.**

Youth Bureau

Resolution Request: Authorizing the Youth Bureau to enter into contracts with Nine (9) Youth Service Agencies for the 2012 budget at a total cost of \$11,611.00. Motion to approve by W. Hughes, Jr. seconded by R. Andrews, motion carried. **Refer to Finance.**

Resolution Request: Authorizing Columbia County to enter into contracts with three (3) not for profit Special Delinquency Prevention “Type A” Programs (SDPP) Youth Service Agencies for the 2012 budget totaling \$7,208.00. Motion to approve by R. Staats, seconded by W. Hughes, Jr., motion carried. **Refer to Finance.**

Office for the Aging: K. Jablonka

Resolution Request: Authorization to increase the 2012 OFA budget for the EISEP Program (AO-7E-7610-4729-E40000) and State Aid Programs for Aging (AO-8R-3772-0000-8R3772) in the amount of \$12,020.00 as a result of the 2012 census, and to amend the budget. Motion to approve by R. Staats, seconded by E. Young, motion carried. **Refer to Finance.**

DPW/ Engineering

Resolution Request: Authorization for the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to execute a professional services agreement with Lothrop Associates in the amount of \$536,648.00 for construction administration services / on-site representation services for the upcoming courthouse renovation project. Motion to approve by L. Andrews, seconded by W. Hughes, Jr., motion carried. **Refer to Finance.**

Resolution Request –Authorizing the Chairman of the Columbia County Board of Supervisors to execute a Professional Services Contract with Greenman-Pedersen, Inc. (GPI) in the amount of \$7,700.00 for an assessment and rehabilitation/replacement alternatives study of county large culvert #54/0.453, located at Columbia County Rte. 8 (RD 54) in Germantown. Motion to approve by E. Young, seconded by A. Bassin, motion carried. **Refer to Finance.**

The committee requested that D. Robinson provide information regarding staffing changes in the Facilities Department to any relevant committee before the special committee meeting planned to take place on the night of the August Full Board.

Planning – K. Flood

Resolution Request – Approval of Section 5311 Assistance contract with a County match of \$1,732.00. Motion to approve by R. Andrews, seconded by L. Andrews, motion carried. K. McDonald abstained

from voting. Refer to Finance. It was also noted that the County will receive a GIS system as part of this agreement.

Controller – R. Caponera

Resolution Request – Authorization to adopt the Columbia County Purchasing Card Policy. Motion to approve by E. Young, seconded by R. Staats, motion carried. Refer to Finance.

R. Caponera advised the Committee that he had a meeting with Ten Eyck today. The Property and Casualty Rates will stay the same with the exception the auto list which is currently being completed. Malpractice rates still need to be included at this time as well. He reported that vehicle damage due to recent hail storms is over \$100,000.00.

Treasurer – P.J. Keeler

Resolution Request – Authorizing the Renewal of Employer/Employee excess Workers compensation policies and to approve the premium of \$135,819.00 for 8/1/2012 to 7/31/2013. This is a 21% increase. Motion to approve by K. McDonald, seconded by E. Young, motion carried.

Department of Social Services – P. Mossman

R. Scalera recused himself from the discussion and voting, and left the room due to the fact he is a part time employee of Galvan. He mentioned that in the past he has taken no part in discussions on the homelessness issue.

The recommendations that were set forth in the CARES report were discussed. The following requests are being made in order to follow through with these recommendations.

Resolution Request - Authorization to enter into a contractual agreement with a not-for-profit provider for the provision of a Case Manager/Housing Specialist to collaborate with the Columbia County Department of Social Services in pursuing housing and employment related outcomes that promote long term self-sufficiency to homeless families and individuals currently placed in area motels. Total cost of the agreement is not to exceed \$65,000.00.

Resolution Request - Authorizing the Columbia County Department of Social Services to enter into and sign a five (5) year lease agreement with Galvan Initiatives Foundation to provide emergency/transitional housing and intensive case management supportive services, including 24/7 supervision for homeless individuals.

The potential cost savings of these new structures were discussed. \$155,490.00 is the projected savings for the first year. The responsibly of the capital cost was discussed. Galvan will put up the investment.

A. Bassin requested to be informed of the total cost of the capital project .The Counties fiscal responsibly would not start until 2013. The structure of the units were described as well as programs that would be offered.

Motion by W. Hughes, Jr. to approve both resolution requests, seconded by R. Keaveney, with the exception that the Supervisors will be able to review the lease agreement, motion carried. Refer to Finance.

With no further business there was a motion to adjourn at 3:15PM by E. Young, seconded by K. McDonald, motion carried.

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