

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
**October 24, 2013**

**PRESENT:**

Richard Keaveney, Chairman  
Roy Brown  
Jesse DeGroot  
Patrick Grattan  
William Hughes, Jr.  
Raymond Staats  
Elizabeth Young  
Robin Andrews

**ABSENT:**

Michael Benson

**ALSO PRESENT:**

Gail DiCosmo, Clerk  
Ronald Caponera  
Ronald Knott  
Kary Jablonka  
President Campion  
PJ Keeler  
Matt Murell  
Paul Czajka

**PRESS: 1**

Chairman Keaveney called the meeting to order at 2:03 PM.

District Attorney: P. Czajka

Authorization to hire a new, temporary (90 days) FT ADA, \$65,000 less the 15%, starting salary of \$55,250, & waiving the 6 month waiting period for Health Insurance, this is an emergency position to start on November 2, 2013; motion by R. Staats, seconded by E. Young, motion carried.

Motion to move in EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 2:12 PM by P. Grattan, seconded by E. Young, carried.

Reason: to discuss contracts

Motion to return to REGULAR SESSION at 2:16 PM by E. Young, seconded by K. McDonald.

Columbia –Greene Community College: President Campion

Authorization was given to Chairman Patrick Grattan to sign a Memorandum of Agreement with Local 3662 Council 66 of the American Federation, State, County & Municipal employees effective Sept. 1, 2013 through August 1, 2014, motion to sign by E. Young, seconded by R. Brown.

HEALTH/MEDICAL SERVICES:

Authorization FOR THE PINE HAVEN HOME TO ABOLISH ONE (1) POSITION AND TO FILL ONE (1) POSITION, MOTION BY W. HUGHES, JR., SECONDED BY E. YOUNG, MOTION CARRIED.

Authorization FOR THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE PINE HAVEN HOME TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE FOR TELEMEDICINE SERVICES AT NO COST TO THE COUNTY, MOTION BY W. HUGHES, JR., SECONDED BY E. YOUNG, MOTION CARRIED.

Authorization FOR THE HUMAN SERVICES DEPT. TO FILL ONE (1) BUDGETED VACANT POSITION OF PSW, DUE TO A RESIGNATION, GR 19B, STEP1 SALARY OF \$53,331.00, MOTION BY P. GRATTAN, SECONDED BY W. HUGHES JR., MOTION CARRIED.

Human Services Department, to transfer funds ON HOLD, R. CAPONERA TO CHECK ACCOUNTS.

HUMAN SERVICES:

Authorization FOR THE COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES TO FILL ONE (1) ASSISTANT SOCIAL SERVICES ATTORNEY, FPE, STARTING SALARY \$70,945.00, WAVING THE 15/10/5% SALARY REDUCTION AND WAIVING THE WAITING PERIOD FOR HEALTH INSURANCE, MOTION BY P. GRATTAN, SECONDED BY W. HUGHES, JR., MOTION CARRIED.

Account Clerk GR 10B, 2013 Step 1 Salary \$28,710.00 – HOLD;

Authorization to purchase one walk through metal detector and one hand held metal detector at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00 to help protect the public & staff at the DSS bldg., motion by P. Grattan, seconded by E. Young, motion carried.

Approving a contract between NYS Office of Indigent Legal Services and the County which provides for an annual payment of \$50,581.00 for each of 3 years, Public Defenders office as follows: \$29,981.00

on call arraignment Attorney, \$15,600 for a part-time account clerk, the Account Clerk shall be paid at the rate of \$20.00 per hour, motion by W. Hughes, Jr., seconded by P. Grattan, motion carried.  
Public Defender to transfer funds, ON HOLD, Controller to get Full Account Number, which the Clerk of the Board called the office to get full account numbers.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Authorizing the Sheriff's Office to Transfer funds in the amount of \$36,017.37, motion by R. Brown, seconded by E. Young, motion carried.

Authorization for the Grant Administrator to accept the FY2013 Emergency Management Performance Grant for the amount of \$27,613.00, 50% match, motion by W. Hughes, Jr., seconded by R. Staats, motion carried.

Authorizing the County Haz-Mat Team and its regional partnership (Greene County) will submit for grant allocated for the amount of \$23,000.00, motion by W. Hughes, Jr., seconded by P. Grattan, motion carried.

Authorizing the Director of 911 to enter into an agreement with Tower Engineering Professionals of Raleigh NC to update structural analysis and Appurtenance at Blue Hill Tower in the total amount of \$8,000.00, motion by R. Brown, seconded by E. Young, motion carried.

Authorizing the Director of 911 to enter into an agreement with Eastern Communications Inc. of Bloomfield CT. to complete the communication shelter site preparation totaling \$35,665.00, motion by R. Brown, seconded by R. Staats, motion carried.

Authorizing the Director of 911 to enter into an agreement with Intrado to upgrade our 911 system which includes hardware, and software for the Primary, Secondary and Back up at a total amount not to exceed \$369,302.37, with maintenance paid annually at \$82,450.00, motion by R. Brown, seconded by E. Young, motion carried.

Authorizing the Director of 911 to enter into an agreement with Tiburon to upgrade CAD system which includes our interface for Priority Dispatch for EMD total amount not to exceed \$322,000 plus 5 year maintenance to be paid annually @ 44,978.00; \$47,227.00, \$49,588.00 and \$52,068.00, motion by R. Brown, seconded by R. Keaveney, motion carried.

Authorization to accept the Appraisal Report on Town of Claverack Property , Ockawamick School, in the amount of \$770,000.00, motion by William Hughes, Jr., seconded by E. Young, motion carried.

**COUNTY GOVERNMENT:**

EMC Appointment for the Town of Austerlitz, for a two (2) year term, motion by P. Grattan, seconded by E. Young, motion carried.

Authorization for the sale of One (1) parcel of land in the Town of Kinderhook to Francis Demarest, motion by P. Grattan, seconded by K. McDonald, motion carried.

Resolution Request: Distribution of Mortgage Tax monies, waiting for schedule, motion by W. Hughes, Jr., seconded by K. McDonald, motion carried.

Authorizing the Transfer of the Martin Van Buren Nature Area to the Friends of Lindenwald, motion by E. Young, seconded by W. Hughes, Jr., motion carried.

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

Resolution Request: Awarding the Bid to Central Poly corp. for the purchasing of garbage bags for the Solid Waste Program, motion by R. Staats, seconded by W. Hughes, Jr., motion carried.

Authorizing the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to execute a professional services agreement with ALECS, LLC in the amount of \$2,659.00; motion by W. Hughes, Jr., seconded by P. Grattan, motion carried.

Authorization to purchase One (1) hydraulic Hook Lift interchangeable body system with a 2000 gallon water tank, gondola sander and associated items to be mounted on a supplied cab and chassis to Zwack, Inc. of Stephentown NY at a total installed cost of \$49,250.00, Zwack was the sole bidder.

Authorizing the Highway Dept. to transfer funds in the amount of \$60,000.00 from Vehicular Equipment line to Diesel Fuel Line and to decrease the transfer \$115,000.00 from Motor Fuel, motion by R. Staats, seconded by E. Young, motion carried.

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**Resolution Request** to transfer funds from Central Garage Service/Repair account to the Supplies – Spare Parts account in the amount of \$5,000.00; motion by E. Young, seconded by P. Grattan, motion carried.

**Amending Res. 280-2013** in the MIS Systems with the Change of Grade and Salary for the Jr. Network Administrator retroactive to January 1, 2013; motion by W. Hughes, Jr. seconded by K. McDonald, motion carried.

**Authorizing Columbia County** to introduce an additional Medicare Advantage Plan, motion by R. Andrews, seconded by E. Young, motion carried.

**Authorizing Columbia County** to reduce the prescription drug coverage premium equivalent, motion by R. Andrews, seconded by E. Young, motion carried.

**RESOLUTIONS ON HOLD:** These positions will be looked at on Nov.27<sup>th</sup> .1 Comm. [Mtg.@1:00](#) PM.

**Solid Waste:** MEO I position, PT Laborer;

**Highway Dept.:** Senior MEO I, Welder position, One transfer \$3,000.00;

**DSS:** position of Account Clerk, abolish & create and fill new title;

**Public Defender:** Full account numbers needed for the Transfer of Funds \$2,500.00, Clerk of the Board resolved with calling the department.

**R. Caponera:** to fill a vacant, budgeted position of Purchasing Agent, waiving all reductions in salary and waiving the waiting period for health insurance, salary of \$50,000.00;

With no further discussion a motion to adjourn at 2:54 pm by R. Staats, seconded by K. McDonald, motion carried.