

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

January 5, 2021

Committee members: Bill Holgate, Tim Cutler, Dan Banach, Ed Bronson, Pat Killen, Rick Willson

Others present: Doug Paddock, Jim Multer, Bonnie Percy, Dick Harper, Terry Button, Connie Hayes, Nonie Flynn, Earle Gleason, Carlie Chilson, Leslie Church, Meghan Kincaid, Dan Long, Marian Walrath, Ashley Doyle.

Bill and Tim will do the audit this month.

Minutes of the December meeting were approved as presented.

### **Real Property – Meghan Kincaid**

Meghan reported that the Town/County tax bills were completed by mid-December and the bill information and tax rates are available online.

Meghan reported there are currently vacancies on the Board of Assessment Review for the Towns of Benton, Italy, Potter and Torrey.

Meghan reviewed her goals.

### **ReConnect – Marian Walrath**

Marian updated the Committee on the status of the ReConnect Grant.

### **Planning – Dan Long**

Dan reported he contacted the New York State Department of Transportation (NYS DOT) regarding Yates Transit Service's claim that there were unsigned contracts that Yates needed to complete. The NYS DOT transportation director confirmed that there were no outstanding contracts requiring County action. Dan also reported that a wire transfer of \$57,000 was received for a 2019 contract.

Dan reported the 2021 Funding for Natural and Recreational Resources applications are due February 1, 2021. The award recommendations will be giving at the March Finance Committee meeting. Dan explained he is waiting for Hobart Williams Smith/Seneca Watershed Intermunicipal Organization final reimbursement request to close that round of funding in early January 2021. All other grants are closed out.

Dan reported the final draft plan for the Yates County Comprehensive Plan is on the website and has been disbursed to all the municipalities for comment. A resolution to declare the plan as an unlisted action under SEQRA was passed by the County.

Dan reported the GIS committee met on December 22<sup>nd</sup> to review what applications would be included on the established public portal. A parcel viewer with links to related information and data will now be accessible to the public along with related information in the next couple of weeks. The next step is to bring other departments and their information of interest to the public onto the portal in 2021.

Dan reviewed his goals.

Dan reported Bergmann provided an update to the facility needs assessment committee and were tasked with additional work items to provide further detail to the Sheriff's Office so that they are able to provide relevant feedback on the assessment options. Bergmann has provided feedback and updated options to the committee for review/comment on 12/22.

### **Treasurer – Ashley Doyle/Deputy**

Ashley reviewed the 2020 appropriations, the sales tax report, and the occupancy tax report.

Ashley reviewed her goals.

Ashley reported as of October 1<sup>st</sup> tax enforcement notices were mailed to owners and lienholders of 74 parcels with open 2019 taxes due. Of those parcels with taxes due, 48 remain unpaid as of 12/29/20. The final day to pay 2019 town and county taxes before county foreclosure is February 1<sup>st</sup>. The final day to pay 2018 town and county taxes before county foreclosure is also February 1<sup>st</sup>. There are six parcels remaining that have 2018 outstanding taxes due to Yates County.

Ashley reported the Treasurer's office will be collecting online payments for seven out of the nine townships during the months of January, February and March 2021. The office can now take credit or debit card payments for taxes or other fees at the front counter.

Ashley reviewed the following resolutions that would be needed. The Committee approved.

- Appropriate Federal Aid (PH)
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- Appropriate Federal Aid (DSS)
- Appropriate Additional Revenue (VET)

### **County Administrator – Nonie Flynn**

Nonie reported the audit committee will be meeting on Monday, January 11<sup>th</sup> at noon in the legislative chambers for discussion on the 2020 audit.

### **Airport – Dick Harper**

Dick reported on the Sewer Project. The manhole agreement has been forwarded to the Town for review and signature.

Dick reported that the public comment period for the Environmental Assessment ended December 24. But because there was no council meeting in December the comments if any will be discussed at the January meeting.

Dick reported Scott is reviewing the supplement to the agreement with the FAA that was authorized on November 19<sup>th</sup> and will be making a determination.

Dick reported the Agreement with BETA Technologies for installation of electric charging stations for airplanes and autos at the airport that was authorized at the December 14<sup>th</sup> meeting has been modified by Scott and returned to BETA.

Doug reported a teleconference was held on December 9<sup>th</sup> between the Town of Middlesex and Yates County representatives to discuss a proposed agreement for the Vine Valley Boat Launch. The County is waiting for input from the Town of Middlesex's insurance carrier and attorney.

Meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.