

**GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
JANUARY 5, 2015**

Present: Mark Morris, Gary Montgomery, Bonnie Percy, Jim Multer, Rick Ayers, Dan Banach, Leslie Church, Lee Sackett, Bob Clark, Amy Guererri, Julie Betts, Elden Morrison, Amy Daines, Robert Brechko, Sarah Purdy, Bill Laffin, Margaret Dunn, Tim Dennis, Bill Holgate, Danielle Hautaniemi, Tim Groth, Doug Paddock, Jim Smith (attended late because of another meeting), Connie Hayes

Mark and Bob will do the audit this month.

Minutes of the December meeting were approved as presented.

Legislative Operations

Discussion took place on who will be attending the NYSAC Conference in February. The conference runs from February 2-4 and conflicts with the normal committee meeting schedule.

Committee meetings for February will be held on the following dates:

January 29, 2015

1:00 p.m. Public Safety

4:00 p.m. Public Works

6:00 p.m. Human Services

January 30, 2015

1:00 p.m. Finance

3:00 p.m. Government Operations

Soil and Water

Jim could not attend the meeting, Rick Ayers reported on his behalf.

Rick explained the as of the first of the year the Agriculture Value Assessment work begins. Rick explained if any agricultural producer or agricultural landowner has had a property ownership change or acreage change the Agriculture Value Assessment is the first step.

Rick reported the District is working with the DEC on establishing a general permit with the Soil and Water Office. Due to the amount of flood damage in 2014, currently, work is being done under emergency authorization permits which are going to expire in May. By the establishment of the general permit through the Soil and Water District any municipality can apply under the Districts general permit and it expedites the process.

Rick reported the District continues to work with FEMA on flood projects.

Rick reported the annual tree and scrub sale has started.

Cooperative Extension

Danielle reviewed the following report on program participation for the 2014 year.

Program	<u>Direct Participants</u>	<u>Indirect Participants</u>
	<i>FY 2014</i>	<i>FY 2014</i>
4-H Youth Development	2,293	37,185
EFNEP/SNAP-Ed	1,949	500
Energy Education	71	5,605
Financial Management Education	303	5,730

Invasive Species Outreach and Education	175	5,985
MG - Yates County Yard and Garden Day	57	0
Nutrition Education	565	36,605
Sustainable Ag/Land Protection	0	5,605
Yates County Master Forest Owners	146	23,105
Yates County Master Gardeners	104	5,605
Totals	5,663	125,925

Danielle explained that direct participants are participant numbers so you may find that someone participated several times in a program. The direct participants are the individuals where there is direct contact with, their attendance is documented in some way. The indirect participants are more of the media outreach, facebook hits, WFLR, newspapers, etc.

IT

Tim reviewed his monthly report which showed 85 help desk calls of which 2 were user error. The spam filter caught 15634 spam and 473 viruses.

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

- Authorize Chairman To Renew Contract (DSS – ExtraDev)
- Authorize Chairman To Renew Recycling Agreement (Regional Computer Recycling & Recovery)
- Authorize Chairman To Sign Internet & Telephone Services Contract (Time Warner Cable Business Class)

County Clerk

Julie reported the state did approve the mortgage tax expense increase.

Julie explained the agents that are in her office that issue passports were supposed to be recertified in December but there was an issue with the link to do the testing. Julie explained recertification testing can now be done on the computer.

Elections

Bob reviewed the monthly report and reminded everyone that tomorrow is their annual meeting at 10:00 a.m. in Room 1037.

Bob and Amy gave a brief presentation on the responsibilities and duties of their office.

Legislature

Connie reviewed resolutions that would be needed. The Committee approved.

- Proclamation Recognizing NYSAC's 90 Years
- Designate County Newspapers

Personnel

Amy reviewed the following resolution that would be needed. The Committee approved.

- Authorizing Chairman to Sign Agreement with Catalog & Commerce, LLC.

Amy reviewed the RFP for the Self-Insured Workers' Compensation Plan Administration and other select services explaining what changed from the first draft. The Committee approved Amy to move forward with issuing the RFP.

Amy reminded everyone the Employee Recognition Ceremony will take place at the January Legislative meeting on the 12th.

Amy reported the deadline for applications for the Conflict Defender position has been extended to January 9th. To date there are 3 applicants.

Amy reported there will be an orientation and informational session this Friday, January 9, 2015 at the Management Group meeting with the EAP provider.

County Administrator

Sarah reported she has not heard from CGR as to when the next meeting will take place. If Sarah has not heard from them by the end of the week she will call them.

Bill reported the County has received a request to sign on with the other towns and cities who are opposed to the gas storage. There is a conference coming up in February, and the National Resource Defense Council (NRDC) will be representing the municipalities. A resolution will be on the agenda for Monday's meeting.

Bonnie moved to enter executive session to discuss employee compensation, seconded by Jim.

Meeting adjourned at 2:45p.m.