

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: COUNTY CLERK - MOTOR VEHICLES

DATE: January 24, 2014

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS McDEVITT
WOOD
VANSELOW
BROCK

OTHERS PRESENT:

PAM VOGEL, COUNTY CLERK
KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD
PAUL DUSEK, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
JOAN SADY, CLERK OF THE BOARD
FRANK E. THOMAS, BUDGET OFFICER

COMMITTEE MEMBER ABSENT:

SUPERVISOR BEATY

SUPERVISORS FRASIER

TAYLOR
SEEBER
STROUGH
WESTCOTT

SAMANTHA HOGAN, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

Mr. McDevitt called the meeting of the County Clerk-Motor Vehicle Committee to order at 9:30 a.m.

Motion was made by Mrs. Wood, seconded by Mr. Vanselow, and carried unanimously to approve the minutes from the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Mr. McDevitt began the meeting by welcoming Supervisor Brock, to the Committee.

Privilege of the floor was then extended to Pam Vogel, County Clerk, who distributed copies of the agenda to the Committee members; *a copy of the agenda is on file with the minutes.*

Mrs. Vogel commenced a review of the Clerk's Office Tentative Annual Update which she had included on the Agenda as Items 2a & b; *a copy of the agenda is on file with the minutes.*

With reference to Agenda Item 2c, Mrs. Vogel announced that the County's Bicentennial Events had concluded and she thanked everyone for their assistance and participation.

Item 3a on the Agenda, Mrs. Vogel said, was a request for authorization for herself and two staff members to attend the New York State Association of County Clerks Conference in Albany, NY on January 27-28, 2014.

Motion was made by Mrs. Wood, seconded by Mr. Vanselow, and carried unanimously to approve the travel request as outlined above; a copy of the Authorization to Attend Meeting or Conference form is on file with the minutes.

Moving to Item 3b, Mrs. Vogel requested authorization for Ann McCann, Warren County Historian, to attend the Association of Public Historians of New York State Conference on March 17-19, 2014 in Saratoga Springs, NY. She stated that overnight accommodations would not be necessary and the only cost incurred would be the \$65.00 registration fee and some meal reimbursements.

Motion was made by Mrs. Wood, seconded by Mr. Vanselow, and carried unanimously to approve the travel request as outlined above; a copy of the Authorization to Attend Meeting or Conference form is on file with the minutes.

Proceeding to Agenda Item 4, Ms. Vogel explained that the County Clerks Office was made up of

several divisions, including the County Clerk; Recording and Filing staff; the Pistol Permits Office; Archives; Records Storage; and the Department of Motor Vehicles. She explained that the Archives documents had been a work in progress for many years and she noted a small volunteer group called the Retired Senior Volunteers Program (RSVP) came in once a week to assist. Mrs. Vogel apprised that prior Resolution No. 106 of 2002 authorized a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the Tri-County United Way to allow assistance from the RSVP group and she advised this MOU was automatically continued until such time as either party decided it should be terminated.

Mrs. Vogel added that Item 5 pertained to information on the New York State Safe Act which was passed on January 15, 2013 and continued to be very controversial. She added that it continued to impact the Pistol Permit Office, as referenced by the comparative activity numbers included in the agenda for 2011 to 2013. She informed the Committee that there was a movement on behalf of the State to use the respective County seals on recertification documents and this was not being well received across the State. She noted that several Counties had passed resolutions opposing the use of their County seal in this manner. Mrs. Vogel said that Warren County may wish to follow suit and pass a similar resolution, but she apprised that further information would be provided at the January 27th County Clerks Conference. Mrs. Vogel explained that Lieutenant James Sherman, of the New York State Police, would be presenting on the issue and she would follow up with a recommendation to the appropriate Committee.

Concluding her agenda review Mrs. Vogel drew the Committee's attention to Item 6, concerning the New York State Department of Motor Vehicles fee on Veterans License Designation. She noted that she would be discussing this matter with the Veterans Services Committee and she anticipated receiving more information at the County Clerk's Conference.

There being no further business to come before the County Clerk - Motor Vehicle Committee, on motion by Mrs. Wood, seconded by Mr. Brock, Mr. McDevitt adjourned the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Samantha Hogan, Legislative Office Specialist