

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEE: SUPPORT SERVICES

DATE: JUNE 15, 2020

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

SUPERVISORS: MAGOWAN

BRUNO

DRISCOLL

HOGAN

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

SUPERVISORS: LEGGETT

WILD

SHEPLER

OTHERS PRESENT:

REPRESENTING THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

ELIZABETH McLAUGHLIN, COMMISSIONER (D)

WILLIAM VANNESS, COMMISSIONER (R)

FRANK E. THOMAS, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD

RYAN DICKEY, SECOND ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY

KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, BUDGET OFFICER

SUPERVISORS BEATY

BRAYMER

FRASIER

MERLINO

SEEBER

TAMMIE DeLORENZO, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

JACKIE FIGUEROA, COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR

DON LEHMAN, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

JEREMY SCRIME, SENIOR COMPUTER SYSTEMS ANALYST/PROGRAMMER

MIKE SWAN, COUNTY TREASURER

Please note, the following contains a summarization of the June 15, 2020 Meeting of the Support Services Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link:

<https://www.warrencountyny.gov/gov/comm/Archive/2020/support/>

Note: As per Governor Cuomo's Executive Order 202.1: "Article 7 of the Public Officers Law, to the extent necessary to permit any public body to meet and take such actions authorized by the law without permitting in public in-person access to meetings and authorizing such meetings to be held remotely by conference call or similar service, provided that the public has the ability to view or listen to such proceeding and that such meetings are recorded and later transcribed". All committee members and other Supervisors in attendance participated by video or teleconference, aside from Chairman Thomas and Supervisors Geraghty and Merlino were physically present.

Mr. Magowan called the Support Services meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Copies of the meeting agenda were distributed to those physically present, those participating virtually accessed the agenda via the Warren County website. A copy of the agenda is on file with the meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Mr. Bruno and seconded by Mr. Driscoll to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board, but the question was not called.

Privilege of the floor was extended to William VanNess, *Board of Elections, Commissioner (R)*, who presented a request to amend the County Budget in the amount of \$79,297.03 to reflect the receipt of grant funding for elections cyber security remediation and mitigation. He informed each county in New York State received a grant for cyber security remediation and mitigation, adding Warren County was awarded \$79,297.03. He said they worked with Michael Colvin, *Director, Information Technology*, and had an extensive interview with New York State regarding

cyber security. He indicated the State wanted all Board of Election locations in the State to be disconnected from all county servers and be completely isolated, which led to receiving grant funds. He mentioned the grant would be available until December 31, 2021 and they only had until July 24, 2020 to complete the application and return it to the State. Ms. Hogan inquired who was the source of the grant and Mr. VanNess replied New York State, adding there was no County match. Mr. Magowan advised the State funded \$425 million in grant funds to prepare for upcoming elections.

Amanda Allen, *Clerk of the Board*, advised the incorrect resolution request form had been included in the agenda; she advised the Committee would first need to authorize a grant application and agreement for funding in an amount not to exceed \$79,297.03 from the New York State Board of Elections for elections cyber security remediation and mitigation. She noted that at their next Committee meeting, the Board of Elections would present the request to amend the County budget to reflect receipt of the grant funds, following which the Finance Committee would be requested to approve same. *Note: subsequent to the meeting the correct resolution request form and supporting documentation were submitted and copies were placed in the agenda packet which is on file with the meeting minutes.*

Motion was made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Driscoll and carried unanimously to authorize a grant application and agreement for funding in an amount not to exceed \$79,297.03 from the New York State Board of Elections for elections cyber security remediation and mitigation and the necessary resolution was approved for the June 19th Board Meeting. *A copy of the resolution request form is on file with the minutes.*

Ms. Hogan pointed out that although a motion and a second were made to approve the minutes of the prior Committee meeting, no vote had taken place. Mr. Magowan then called the question and the motion to approve the minutes of the prior meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board, was carried unanimously.

As there was no further business to come before the Support Services Committee, on motion made by Mr. Bruno, seconded by Mr. Driscoll and carried unanimously, Mr. Magowan adjourned the meeting at 9:41 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Molly Ganotes-Gleason, Legislative Office Specialist