

SPECIAL MEETING
April 23, 2013

The meeting was called to order at 10:08 a.m. by Chairman Michael A. Tabolt.

Roll Call: All Legislators were present, except Legislator Bush, whom had been excused.

The Invocation was offered by Legislator Hathway, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag led, by Chairman Tabolt.

REPORT OF THE RULES AND LEGISLATION COMMITTEE:

The Rules and Legislation Committee had met and recommend waiving the rules to allow action on late resolutions.

Richard Lucas, Chairman
Philip Hathway
Charles Fanning

Dated: April 23, 2013

Legislator Lucas made a motion to waive the rules, seconded by Legislator Burke and carried.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Legislator Charles Fanning, Solid Waste Committee Chairman, made a motion to authorize purchase of a 2013 one-ton Ford truck with plow from Nortz & Virkler, Inc. in the amount of \$36,025.00, seconded by Legislator Boyd and carried.

Legislator Fanning took exception to the procedures for new hires or filling vacancies, whereby the information is sent directly to the Human Resource Department, without being presented to the jurisdictional committee. He agreed the procedure is appropriate for the Hospital, but not for County Departments. The jurisdictional committee, he stated, should be able to make a recommendation.

Chairman Tabolt clarified that the Human Resource process is to assure proper postings and advertisements. Committee Chairman Legislator King relayed wanting to avoid prior mistakes with hiring processes, however, was admittedly unaware of the latest Human Resource Director's directive to County Department Heads, that seemingly omits the Departmental committees.

Legislator King made a motion to enter executive session at 10:17 a.m. to discuss specific personnel, seconded by Legislator Stanford and carried. Following the session, Legislator Lucas moved to re-enter regular session at 10:26 a.m., seconded by Legislator King and carried.

Legislator King stated he would review the hiring protocols at the April 30th Human Resource Committee meeting, and thereafter, report to the Board.

Legislator Richard Lucas, Economic Development Committee Chairman, reported receipt of six additional applications for Trail Coordinator, and the Committee plans to review and schedule interviews.

RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 161 - 2013
RESOLUTION APPOINTING
INTERIM DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by Legislator Michael A. Tabolt, Chairman of the Board of Legislators.

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators in Lewis County also serves as the Board of Health pursuant to Public Health Law § 356(1); and

WHEREAS, in that capacity, the Board of Legislators wishes to make an appointment to the position of Interim Director of Public Health.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:

Section 1. That the Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby appoints Penny A. Ingham as Interim Director of Public Health, who shall have the authority and responsibility to administer and manage the public health programs within Lewis County pursuant to the Public Health Law and applicable regulations.

Section 2. That Lewis County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes an employment contract with the Interim Director of Public Health pursuant to which the Interim Director of Public Health shall receive compensation at the rate of \$35.00 per hour, and shall work a minimum of ten (10) hours per week. The term of said interim appointment shall commence April 22, 2012 and continue for a period of ninety (90) days or until the appointment of a full time Director of Public Health is made, whichever occurs first.

Section 3. That this appointment is expressly made subject to approval by the NYS Commissioner of Health.

Section 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Moved by Legislator Boyd, seconded by Legislator Stanford.

Several Legislators commented favorably on Mrs. Ingham's education, experience and performance capability.

Chairman Tabolt urged the Public Health Committee to timely review applications, interview and make their recommendation to the Board.

Mr. Pendergast stated that counties may share a Public Health Director, although Jefferson County, he said, is currently canvassing to fill their Director position due to recent retirement. Atty. Graham affirmed a County Director is required for State Aid eligibility.

The resolution was then adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 162 - 2013
RESOLUTION TO AMEND COMPENSATION PLAN
WITH REFERENCE TO TRAIL PROGRAM

Introduced by Legislator Richard Lucas, Chairman of the Economic Development Committee.

BE IT RESOLVED, as follows:

Section 1. That this Board of Legislators hereby amends the Compensation Plan of the County of Lewis, with reference to the Trail Program, to authorize hiring seasonal laborers to assist with trail development as follows:

<u>TITLE</u>	<u>STATUS</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Laborer (2)	Temporary Part-time	Grade C4 (\$11.58/hr.)

Section 2. That said positions are effective May 6 through November 1, 2013.

Section 3. That the within resolution shall be effective immediately.

Moved by Legislator Lucas, seconded by Legislator Boyd.

Legislator Lucas reported the trails will open on May 1, 2013, impressing the need for a coordinator to supervise the workers. ATV permit revenues are utilized to finance the personnel costs. Chairman Tabolt relayed he had confirmed the ATV used by the Trail Coordinator has a current registration and insurance coverage. However, it should be serviced and prepared for trail work.

Legislator Fanning made a motion to amend the resolution to authorize filling the laborer positions effective immediately, seconded by Legislator King and carried.

Legislator Lucas made a motion to amend the resolution to appropriate an amount up to \$16,000.00 from ATV permit revenue to finance related personnel costs, seconded by Legislator King and carried.

The resolution was then adopted.

OTHER BUSINESS:

The Clerk of the Board read a proclamation declaring the Month of April 2013 as National Donate Life month, encouraging citizens to register for organ donation.

There being no other business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned on motion by Legislator Boyd, seconded by Legislator Stanford and carried at 10:42 a.m.