FINANCE, LEGAL AND SAFETY

February 15, 2022

ATTENDANCE:

- Legislators: Hollenbeck, Monell, Ciotoli, Weston, Standinger, Roberts, Mullen, and Brown
- Staff: Legislative Clerk Haskell, Deputy Clerk Eiklor, Treasurer McFadden, Deputy Treasurer Chandler, Chief Accountant Jerzak, County Attorney DeWind, (Secretary to the County Attorney Freyvogel minutes)

Guests: none

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Legislator Monell asked for a motion to approve January's minutes. Legislator Standinger made the motion to approve, seconded by Legislator Mullen and unanimously carried by all legislators.

FINANCIAL:

Budgets for Legal and Safety are tracking well for 2022. Legal recently received two (2) 2021 invoices from Goldberg Segalla however these invoices were accrued to 2021's budget. Outside legal counsel continues to be Legal's largest budget expense.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

The State Department of Taxation requested minor alterations to Local Law 1 which would result with quarterly taxes starting and ending on a particular date. Local Law Introductory No. C would repeal Local Law 1 and replace it with Local Law 3. The State Department of Taxation is currently editing this local law to ensure compliance with the state taxation requirements.

A new In Rem policy will be presented at the March committee meeting. The new policy would allow owners to potentially buy back the property once the redemption date had passed. This policy would be beneficial to the Land Bank and municipalities wishing to purchase particular properties. In Rem is in process for 2019. Legislator Weston asked if the auction was just going to be the 2019 In Rem properties. County DeWind stated the county has held off filing on the In Rem 2020 properties due to some of the properties currently inhabited, however filings will start in March with the anticipation the County will take possession some thirty (30) days later.

Legislator Standinger asked if Litigation involving the Sheriff's Office had been settled. County Attorney DeWind stated the matter was ongoing.

PERSONNEL:

None

RESOLUTIONS/PROCLAMATIONS:

Authorize acceptance of year four funding from the NYS Office of Indigent Legal Services and accept year four funding for Hurrell-Harring Grant and amend 2022 budget: The resolution was briefly explained and was moved into full Legislative session without further questions.

Apply for Indigent Legal Services Grant: The resolution was briefly explained. The resolution was briefly explained and was moved into full Legislative session without further questions.

Authorizing and approving a settlement agreement with Allergan concerning claims related to the opioid crisis: This resolution, if approved, allows for Chair Sauerbrey to sign settlement paperwork, with Allergan, with an approximate value of one hundred eight thousand four hundred eighty six dollars and forty eight cents (\$108,486.48) in restricted and unrestricted funds. The resolution was briefly explained and was moved into full Legislative session without further questions.

Appoint Member to the Board of Ethics: The resolution was briefly explained and was moved into full Legislative session without further questions. Legislator Mullen asked if Legal had received the resume for his nomination to the last open Ethics Board seat. County Attorney DeWind confirmed he had received the resume and would be presenting a resolution for nomination at the March committee meeting.

Local Law Filing: The local law was briefly explained and was moved into full Legislative session without further questions.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

ADJOURMENT:

Legislator Mullen adjourned the meeting at 10:38 a.m.