## Meeting Minutes for the Executive Committee – January 4, 2019

**Tan meeting** at the request of the County Treasurer – **7-day notice required** – meeting scheduled for January 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.

In attendance - Rep. Howard, Rep. Aldrich, Rep. Comtois, Rep. Huot, Rep. Lang, Rep. Spanos, Rep. Sylvia

## Nursing Home (NH) Revenues

Proshare money – IDN – historically we have been at 1.2 million dollars – we might need to be a little more conservative with that money, - counting on that money could be dangerous – Rep. Sylvia – it will make a difference setting the tax rate – it can cause some pain – not sure where we need to go with that.

Commissioner Devoy – NH thought they would get the proshare money one more year – IDN could be as low as 30% which will be 800k –

Rep. Lang – do we reduce the line?

## Rep. Sylvia move to table 2<sup>nd</sup> Rep. Spanos – unanimous motion passes – line # 34040

Rep. Sylvia resident resource line very conservative

Medicare Part A – skilled resources – we may be losing candidates to other facilities – 7 to 9 beds

## **Nursing Home Expenses**

Insurance – WC – Unemployment - recommended by State – forget conversation

Rep. Sylvia – actual spending from 2010 to now – 10.5 million – 11 million over the course of 9 years we are only up 578k –

Rep. Comtois – back in 2010 to 2012 accounting in NH included a portion of County Admin and Finance dept were allocated to NH

Commissioner Devoy said it changed when he was elected back in 2015

Commissioner Devoy – say it was a 1 million over 9 years – NH is great at controlling cost – concurred by Rep. Sylvia

Rep. Sylvia TAN interest note – see page 191 – approximate interest is \$130k – this year they are estimating \$250k – for the total TAN believes total should \$180k not the \$250k – 2.5% is a reasonable rate to assume – Treasurer may get by with a larger one time borrowing – recommend we use a more reasonable number of \$187,500 – reduce \$150k to

Rep. Lang – would split the difference and would be okay with 2.75% interest rate –

Rep. Spanos – would like to defer to Commissioner Devoy's point – agency vacancies – poor performance we prepare the budget on staffing and for every dollar spent on wages we spend one dollar in benefits

Rep. Lang motion to reduce interest line #24700 59810 to 99,533 and line # 14700 59810 will now be \$469,107 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rep. Spanos – unanimous – motion passes

Rep Howard - FT wages -

Rep. Lang – 7% increase – why? 8 FT positions

Rep. Howard – PT wages – Commissioner Devoy – we spent almost 10k more

Rep. Comtois motion to change line item # 51200 – PT wages to \$28000 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sylvia – vote 5 to 1 opposed Rep. Huot, in favor – Rep. Aldrich, Rep. Comtois, Rep. Howard, Rep. Lang, Rep. Spanos, Rep. Sylvia – motion passes

Rep. Sylvia OT line # 51400 to \$1,200 2<sup>nd</sup> Comtois – 4 to 3 motion carries = – Rep. Aldrich, Rep. Comtois, Rep. Howard, Rep. Sylvia in favor - opposed is Rep. Huot, Rep. Lang, Rep. Spanos

Commissioner Devoy – we have over 500 lines in NH – if we reduce like this, we could end up ½ million less than what is budgeted in NH

Rep. Sylvia motion to change all sick time incentive lines to what is on sheet handed out by Ms. Shackett  $-2^{nd}$  Rep. Lang - amend motion to round up to next dollar – unanimous motion passes

Rep Sylvia - Bed Tax will be driven by the ProShare – leaves us in the same quandary of how much we are going to get – Ms. Shackett we will not know how much we are going to get until June – Commissioner Devoy says we will get same amount –

Rep. Sylvia motion to reduce line 53000 NH Bed Tax by \$5,000 2<sup>nd</sup> Comtois -

Rep. Spanos – not a significant amount loathes to reduce – the only source of information is Commissioner Meyers – he would not like to tamper with line – Rep Sylvia we are the appropriating authority – Commissioners are the Managers – Rep. Lang waiver is for 5 years – number should be the same –

Rep. Sylvia amend motion to \$722,138 2018-year end 2018 numbers 2<sup>nd</sup> Rep. Comtois – 4 to 3 – motion passes in favor Rep. Aldrich, Rep. Comtois, Rep. Howard, Rep. Sylvia opposed - Rep. Huot, Rep. Lang, Rep. Spanos

Rep. Lang 5.5% of numbers comes out to \$677K – ProShare number is based on NH revenues – Rep. Comtois – questioning the 5.5% number – Admin cannot answer why the number is higher at 2018-year end than what the 5.5% calculation comes out to

Rep. Comtois – what is the Revenue # you are basing it on

Ms. Shackett it will take them a while to figure it out and will get back to us on why the discrepancy.

Rep. Spanos – cannot vote for motion because it may need to be lower, would like to get the answer before voting

Rep. Comtois would like to know what the AR at – 10.8 million includes reduction of 5%

Rep. Howard – would like a clarification of what revenue numbers the ProShare tax is based on – all NH revenues related residents living in NH

Commissioner Devoy – it is only \$50K we are talking about

Ms. Shackett - Discussion about how bed tax is calculated – county records when billed – is tax based on actual monies received???

Rep. Huot discussion at the state level in 2013 it is not fair to say that the amount it rises, and falls is not in direct correlation between bed tax and pro share amount –

Auditing Services – Medicare Cost Report – Medicaid Report – are they usually in the Audit line item – yes

Rep. Sylvia motion to adjust line # 53501 pre-employment to \$7,500 2<sup>nd</sup> Rep. Comtois 4 to 3 – motion passes in favor Rep. Aldrich, Rep. Comtois, Rep. Howard, Rep. Sylvia - opposed - Rep. Huot, Rep. Lang, Rep. Spanos

Commissioner Devoy – higher turnover when economy is hot

Rep. Lang – agrees that medical field is hot – will have pressure on employment –

Rep. Sylvia motion to reduce item # 54352 ELEC EQUIP-REPAIRS & MAINT to \$300 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Comtois – unanimous – motion passes

Rep. Sylvia – motion to reduce item # 55600 dues & subscription by \$5200 2<sup>nd</sup> Rep. Aldrich – 2 to 5 motion fails – in favor Rep Aldrich, Rep Sylvia – opposed – Rep Comtois, Rep. Howard, Rep Huot, Rep Lang, Rep Spanos

Rep. Sylvia motion to reduce item# 56110 prof. development to  $$15k - 2^{nd}$  Rep. Aldrich – unanimous motion passes

Motion to adjourn Rep Huot 2<sup>nd</sup> Rep Aldrich unanimous – 9"35 pm