Meeting Minutes for the Executive Committee – January 11, 2019

In attendance: Rep. Howard, Rep. Aldrich, Rep. Comtois, Rep. Lang, Rep. Spanos, Rep. Sylvia

Absent: Rep. Huot

6:32 pm meeting called to order

Nov 14th minutes – 1st Rep. Aldrich – Rep. Sylvia – unanimous

Dec 27th, 28th, & Jan 4th minutes – 1st Rep. Spanos – 2nd Rep. Lang – unanimous

Rep. Howard – is new handout everything YTD and is anything encumbered in Revenues

Ms. Shackett – everything is up-to-date on Revenues

Primex Holiday – notified 2 days ago around \$136K – with most of it coming from WC – will apply to 2018 numbers

Regarding the bed tax – Lori stated that they had overpaid the State and it was because of a manual formula that needed to be done regarding Medicare B

Rep. Comtois 1st 2nd Rep. Lang reduce the bed tax line to \$678K #25100-53000 - unanimous

Nursing Home Maintenance

Gemini Electric is company used for generator service – discussion on Contracted Services – Ms. Richardson explained who each contractor was for each service listed

Rep. Lang 8% increase in line – should be around 5%

Rep Lang 1st Rep. Comtois 2nd - reduce FT Wages in Maintenance to \$83k - unanimous

Rep. Sylvia – 1st – OT wages dropped by 1K to make it 2K – 2nd Rep. Lang – 4 to 2 motion passes – Rep. Sylvia, Rep. Comtois, Rep. Aldrich, Rep Howard in favor – Rep. Spanos – Rep. Lang opposed

Rep Sylvia – 1st reduce Uniform by \$100 – 2nd Rep. Comtois – 5 to 1 with Rep. Lang opposed

Rep Sylvia 1st 2nd Rep Aldrich reduce gas/diesel by \$500 - 5 to 1 with Rep. Lang opposed

NH Rehab

Rep. Sylvia 2nd Rep Aldrich – reduce Uniform by \$200 – in NH Rehab – unanimous

Rep. Sylvia 2nd Rep Aldrich – General Operating Supplies – reduce by \$200 – motion fails - Rep. Aldrich, Rep. Sylvia, Rep. Howard - in favor – Rep Spanos, Rep. Lang, Rep. Comtois opposed

NH Dietary

Rep. Lang – FT wages why 10.18% increase – no second – really not an increase over actual

Rep. Sylvia – reduce PT line – to 110K – 2nd Rep. Comtois – unanimous – motion passes

Ms. Richardson – 3 vendors are bidding on dietary drop in \$200k in other counties –

Rep Spanos – dilemma he has – represents a change in approach – we do not want to undercut something so basic as food – the cuts would incentivize the county to go with an outside vendor –

Rep. Lang – looking at the previous years – PT wages have been on a downward trend – why the county thinks it is going to spike so badly – Why???? Operational nothing has changed – Rep. Lang – Union – just have a rough idea that it may fall into this ballpark -

Ms. Shackett - Dietary Manager is working and covering all these vacancies

Rep. Comtois 1st Rep. Sylvia 2nd reduce uniform line to \$1,400 – unanimous

Rep Sylvia 1st Rep. Aldrich 2nd – reduce dishware line by \$500 to \$4k – unanimous

Rep. Sylvia – Commissioners encumbered money for a double deck oven – instead of encumbering money for the Steamer – both the commissioners and Ms. Richardson decided that the oven was more important than the dangerous steamer

Rep. Comtois 1st reduce new equipment by \$5k - 2nd Rep. Sylvia - 2 to 4 motion fails

NH – Nursing Department

7 FT Nurses through school – cost per student \$1,557

Rep. Sylvia – history at it's highest - \$2.482 in 2017

Ms. Shackett – in order to avoid hiring outside agencies

Rep. Sylvia - motion to reduce FT wages to 2.5 million - amend motion to 2.55 - no second

Rep. Lang motion to reduce FT wages to 2.6 million - 2nd Rep. Spanos - 5 to 1 - Rep. Sylvia opposed

Rep Lang motion to reduce OT to 200K 2nd Rep Spanos – unanimous

Rep. Comtois motion to reduce PT wages by \$25K – 2nd Rep. Sylvia – 4 to 2 motion passes – Rep Comtois, Rep. Aldrich, Rep. Sylvia, Rep Howard - -- Opposed – Rep. Spanos, Rep. Lang

Rep. Sylvia 1st – Rep. Lang – reduce payroll tax line to \$294,908 and retirement line to \$336,279 – unanimous motion passes

Rep. Sylvia 1st - Rep. Aldrich - reduce Uniform line to \$6K - unanimous -

66 employees eligible for \$200 uniform allowance – motion was based on average

Rep. Sylvia why F&F were so high \$36K - what line was the call bell originally on as it was an \$80k item

Ms. Shackett – will need to take some time to figure out what line it was on in 2017 and 2018?

Rep. Howard – what was the original? – Rep Sylvia – line # 25140-57500 inconsistent with call bell

NH Laundry

Discussion regarding FT wages and number of people working – 3-FT employees

- 1st Comtois 2nd Aldrich reduce FT wages to page # 245 \$87,607 unanimous
- 1st Sylvia 2nd Aldrich reduce OT to \$300 unanimous
- 1st Sylvia 2nd Lang reduce retirement to \$10,261 unanimous

NH - Housekeeping

Rep Sylvia – reduce dental by 1K – 2nd Rep Aldrich – 3 to 3 motion fails – Rep. Sylvia, Rep. Aldrich, Rep. Howard in favor ---- Opposed was Rep. Comtois, Rep. Lang, Rep. Spanos

Rep. Comtois – How much do NH employees pay toward health insurance? Answer \$0.00 – This benefit is part of their wages – they should understand what is actually being paid to them - Health Insurance - \$17K difference between single plan and family plan

Rep. Sylvia motion to reduce general operating by \$500 2nd Rep. Lang – unanimous

NH - Hairdressing

Rep. Howard – regarding PT wages and sick time incentive – Ms. Shackett – Commissioners made a policy that permanent PT employees who are scheduled to work more 20 hours but less than 40 hours per week are entitled to receive this and other benefits except Health Insurance

IT Dept

Rep. Lang motion to remove \$13,875

Rep. Comtois reduce MS Office to \$11,000 and line # 53440 by IT \$18470 and reduce line 53435 by \$13875 to 22945 2nd Rep Lang unanimous – new IT bottom line is \$174725 – Ms. Shackett to allocate the 60/40 split on above changes to be handed to us at next meeting

11,536,252 is bottom line for NH budget

Motion to adjourn 1st Rep Lang 2nd Rep Aldrich 9:37 pm - unanimous