

COUNTY GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE
February 18, 2010

PRESENT:

Leo Pulcher, Chairman
Valerie Bertram
Edward Nabozny
William Hallenbeck, Jr.
Bart Delaney, Jr.
Robin Andrews

ABSENT:

Kevin McDonald, notified
Lynda Scheer
William Hughes, Jr.

ALSO PRESENT:

Courtney Radley, Asst. Deputy Clerk
Gary Flaherty
Jason Nastke
Virginia Martin

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Chairman Pulcher called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM.

Weights & Measures: A. Schneider

Monthly Report: Report for February was presented to committee. Motion to approve by V. Bertram, seconded by W. Hallenbeck, Jr., motion carried.

Veterans: G. Flaherty

A copy of last year's annual report was distributed to committee for review.

Discussion on Nursing Home: G. Flaherty has been working with L. Andrews in regards to the Vets using current Pine Haven building once a new facility has been built. In addition a committee is in the process of being formed which is to consist of Representatives from the State Veterans Affairs office, Congressman Murphy's office, Senator Gillibrand's Office, and from the VA. A meeting is being set for sometime in March and will be held at Pine Haven.

Census: Priority for census jobs will be given to Veterans and their families. A flyer detailing job openings and expectations was distributed to the committee and will be posted throughout the County and County Buildings.

A New Van: Current Van is not handicap accessible and has high mileage. V. Bertram suggested that G. Flaherty get prices to bring to next month's committee meeting. L. Pulcher suggested a few places to contact for getting a used handicap accessible van.

General Discussion: Vet center is currently collecting used cell phones for soldiers and vets.

Payroll / Accounts Payable: D. Neceda

L. Pulcher presented the NY Connects: Choices for long term care brochure to the committee. Brochure is to be distributed with county payroll checks. Motion to approve by V. Bertram, seconded by B. Delaney, Jr., motion carried.

Elections: J. Nastke & V. Martin

Resolution Request: To create and fill a full-time temporary position of Election Specialist, from February 5, 2010 to May 5, 2010 at 19.06954/hour, with no benefits. Position is to be abolished if person who is out returns to work. Motion to approve by W. Hallenbeck, Jr., seconded by E. Nabozny, motion carried. **Refer to Budget and Salary and Finance.**

State Board of Elections Annual Report from Columbia County: Report was distributed to committee members for their review.

Voting Machines: Levers; "ImageCast Precincts": Update on the Litigation to declare NYS Election Reform and Modernization Act unconstitutional. Assurance of no financial or legal implications will be received in writing from Nassau County shortly.

A brief discussion about the issue of space and storage for Election Equipment took place.

NYS Assembly Request for Information from school districts re: voting machines: Just an FYI for committee members.

Conference Objective Form: NYS Board of Elections Annual Training Conference, April 27-28, 2010, Albany, NY, with six people attending at a cost of \$200.00. Motion to approve by R. Andrews, seconded by W. Hallenbeck, Jr., motion carried.

With no further business, a motion to adjourn at 6:43 PM by V. Bertram, seconded by B. Delaney Jr., motion carried.