

**WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**COMMITTEE: BUDGET COMMITTEE**

**DATE: JUNE 30, 2016**

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

SUPERVISORS: THOMAS  
MERLINO  
CONOVER  
GIRARD  
BEATY  
BROCK  
SIMPSON

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

KEVIN B. GERAGHTY, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD  
BRIAN REICHENBACH, COUNTY ATTORNEY  
JOANN MCKINSTRY, ASSISTANT TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR  
AMANDA ALLEN, CLERK OF THE BOARD  
SUPERVISORS FRASIER  
LEGGETT  
SEEBER  
MICHAEL SWAN, COUNTY TREASURER  
DON LEHMAN, *THE POST STAR*  
MOLLY GANOTES, LEGISLATIVE OFFICE SPECIALIST

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

SUPERVISORS: STROUGH  
SOKOL

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*Please note the following contains a summarization of the June 30, 2016 meeting of the Budget Committee; the meeting in its entirety can be viewed on the Warren County website using the following link:*

<http://www.warrencountyny.gov/gov/comm/Archive/2016/budget/>

Mr. Thomas called the meeting of the Budget Committee to order at 11:23 a.m.

Copies of the meeting agenda were distributed to the Committee members and a copy of same is on file with the minutes.

Motion was made by Mr. Simpson, seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried unanimously to approve the minutes of the previous Committee meeting, subject to correction by the Clerk of the Board.

Commencing the agenda review, Mr. Thomas stated the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the update of the 2015 Multi-Year Plan. He informed the General Fund Surplus was \$21,988,958 due to the sale of Westmount Health Facility, ongoing receivables, and the efforts of Department Heads throughout the County that were economical with their budgets.

Next, Mr. Thomas spoke regarding the creation of the Westmount Reserve. He informed Michael Swan, County Treasurer, recommended creating an account to set aside \$4.5 million to pay retirement, health care fees and legacy cost for Westmount Health Facility. He said the reserve would consist of money received, IGT (Intergovernmental Transfers) and Medicaid and Medicare reimbursements. Mr. Swan expressed that the County would not receive the entire \$4.5 million, he said the reserve consisted of the Universal Settlement and private pay bills that were six and seven years old that had yet to be collected.

Mr. Conover made a motion to use \$4,477,509 from the sale of Westmount Health Facility to establish a reserve for Westmount Health Facility legacy costs. The motion was seconded by Mr. Merlino and carried unanimously, thereby approving the necessary resolution for the July 15<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

The review of the updated 2015 Multi-Year Plan continued with discussion amongst the Committee.

There being no further business to come before the Budget Committee, on motion made by Mr. Simpson and seconded by Mr. Conover, Mr. Thomas adjourned the meeting at 12:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Molly Ganotes, Legislative Office Specialist