

**Amending The 2016 Ulster County Budget To Reimburse Indicated Ulster County Towns For Flood Mitigation Work In The Wake Of Hurricane Irene**

Referred to: The Government Efficiency and Review Committee (Chairman J. Parete and Legislators Belfiglio, Greene, Loughran and R. Parete), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gerentine and Legislators Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, and Maloney)

Legislators James F. Maloney and John R. Parete offer the following:

WHEREAS, Hurricane Irene devastated Ulster County leaving in its wake considerable property damage; and

WHEREAS, local towns quickly responded and repaired impacted roads thereby returning the quality of life and access to remote areas for residents and emergency vehicles; and

WHEREAS, Empire State Development of New York State approved reimbursement funding for work performed pending the verification of procurement procedures; and

WHEREAS, as part of the New York State grant process, the County of Ulster is required to undertake efforts to facilitate the release of grant funding approved through the New York Works Program; and

WHEREAS, the Towns of Hardenburgh, Lloyd, Saugerties, Shandaken, and Ulster, in reliance upon its approval for a grant through the New York Works Program, completed necessary steps to contract with approved vendors and/or completed the work in house to remediate flood damage and help mitigate future flooding on impacted roads; and

WHEREAS, the County of Ulster has yet to file the required paperwork to proceed with the grant process and, as a result, the sum of \$126,838.56 has not been released to the impacted Towns to cover their flood remediation and mitigation costs; and

WHEREAS, as stated in a December 9, 2015 Memorandum issued by the Office of the County Executive, the Towns have paid in full the reimbursable amounts as follows:

<u>Town</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Repair</u>	<u>Vendor</u>
Town of Denning	\$25,300.88	Clair Road	Baker Brothers

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<u><b>Town</b></u>	<u><b>Amount</b></u>	<u><b>Repair</b></u>	<u><b>Vendor</b></u>
Town of Hardenburgh	\$15,074	Dry Brook Road	In House
Town of Lloyd	\$26,240	River Road	Atlantic Concrete
Town of Saugerties	\$22,138	Drummond Falls	Kingston Equipment Rental
Town of Shandaken	\$28,400.39	Muller Road	In House
Town of Ulster	\$ 9,685.29	Brigham Lane	In House

; and

WHEREAS, the Towns continue to suffer financial hardship as a result of the flood remediation and mitigation costs; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the 2016 Ulster County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

	<u><b>DECREASE</b></u>	<u><b>AMOUNT</b></u>
AA.1990.1331-4600.4660 (Appr.#)	Contingency	\$126,838.56

and be it further,

RESOLVED, that no County money shall be paid to the indicated Towns until a Memorandum of Receipt signed by the Supervisor of each of the indicated Towns, providing for the County of Ulster's full reimbursement in the event the indicated Town receives flood remediation monies from the State of New York and/or the New York Works Program, is delivered to the Commissioner of Finance; and, be it further

RESOLVED, upon delivery of the Memorandum of Receipt the Commissioner of Finance is authorized and directed to issue payment in the amount of \$25,300.88 to the Town of Denning, \$15,074 to the Town of Hardenburgh, \$26,240 to the Town of Lloyd, \$22,138 to the Town of Saugerties, \$28,400.39 to the Town of Shandaken, and \$9,385.29 to the Town of Ulster for flood remediation and mitigation costs stemming from Hurricane Irene,

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and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES:

NOES:

Passed Committee: Government Efficiency and Review on \_\_\_\_\_.

Passed Committee: Ways and Means on \_\_\_\_\_.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

\$126,838.56 – 2016 COUNTY DOLLARS