

Restoring The Positions Of Counsel To The Legislature

The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gerentine and Legislators Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Richard Parete, and Rodriguez)

Chairman Parete and Majority Leader Gregorius offer the following:

WHEREAS, Section C-20 (A) of the Ulster County Charter states, “*There shall be a Counsel to the Legislature who shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Legislature*”; and

WHEREAS, in past years, the responsibilities of Counsel to the Legislature were divided between two part-time positions approved in the County budget; and

WHEREAS, in recent years, a new structure was developed creating one part-time Paralegal position, and one full time Legislative Counsel position which was subsequently removed from the Personnel listing to become a contractual expense; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Legislature has determined that the most valuable and proficient use of Legislative Counsel is to revert back to the two part-time position structure; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that 2014 Adopted Budget is hereby amended as follows:

	<u>CREATE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1040-1110 (Pos #)	(Part Time) Leg Counsel	\$37,500.00 \$45,000.00
	<u>TRANSFER</u>	
<u>FROM</u>		<u>AMOUNT</u>
A4-1006-4400	Other Fees for Professional Services	\$50,000.00
<u>TO</u>		
A4-1006-1807	Part Time Pay, Clerk of Leg Board	\$50,000.00
	<u>INCREASE</u>	
1040-1115 (Pos#)	Paralegal (Reclassified to Leg Counsel)	\$12,500.00 \$ 5,000.00

and moves its adoption.

