

# Public Works & Capital Projects Committee

## Regular Meeting Minutes

**DATE & TIME:** April 3, 2014, 6:30 PM  
**LOCATION:** Karen L. Binder Library, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, COB, Kingston, NY  
**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Chairman, Dean Fabiano  
**LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Nettie Tomshaw  
**PRESENT:** Legislators: Fabiano, Loughran, Allen, Greene, Roberts  
**EXCUSED:** None  
**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes  
**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Dave Bolles – UC Department of Public Works

Chair Fabiano called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

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### **Motion No. 1            RESOLVED To Approve the Minutes of March 6, 2014**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Kevin Roberts  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Chris Allen  
**Discussion:** None  
**Roll Call Vote:** No  
**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Fabiano, Loughran, Allen, Greene, Roberts  
**Voting Against:** None  
**No. of Votes in Favor:** 5  
**No. of Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Carried

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### **Motion No. 2            Resolution No. 133 – April 15, 2014**

**Text of Motion:** **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 133** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Lease With Lily Lake, LLC For Space To Be Used As A Coordinated Children’s Services Mental Health Clinic – Department Of Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)

**Discussion:**

Chairman Fabiano provided an overview of the resolution being, a five year lease, with Lily Lake, LLC for the Children Mental Health Clinic starting May 1, 2014 and ending April 30, 2019, at an annual rent of \$14,300.00 (\$13 /sq. ft.) for the first three years, \$14,575.00 for the fourth year, and \$14,850.00 for the fifth year. The cost of the lease will be divided, 62% NYS, and 38% County, with a 60 day lease clause to terminate. Repairs are the responsibility of the owner – county only pays rent. This resolution has passed the Public Health and Social Services Committee earlier in the week.

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Kevin Roberts  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Chris Allen  
**Roll Call Vote:** No  
**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Fabiano, Loughran, Allen, Greene, Roberts  
**Voting Against:** None  
**No. of Votes in Favor:** 5  
**No. of Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Carried

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**Motion No. 3                      Resolution No. 134 – April 15, 2014**

**Text of Motion:**                      **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 134** - Establishing Capital Project No. 404 – Purchase Of Highway Equipment – Department Of Public Works (Central Auto)

Chairman Fabiano gave an overview of the resolution, whereas Dept. of Social Services, Dept. of Health, Dept. of Public Works and Dept. of Safety will receive (2) Ford Fusions, (2) Ford F-250 pickup trucks, (1) Ford E350 pickup truck, (1) Ford F-150 pickup truck and (1) Jeep Patriot. Project expenditures in the amount of \$305K for the replacement of vehicles within the County fleet were previously approved in the 2014-2019 Capital Improvement Program.

**Discussion:**

Dave Bolles noted the new vehicles will replace high mileage, rust, corrosion, high maintenance and worn equipment, and in some cases be distributed to other county departments – weighing repair costs vs. continued use. Value added - the state ends up paying the county back for the vehicles.

Legislator Greene inquired if any of the vehicles are hybrids. Dave Bolles noted it's his understanding hybrids are not offered on the state bid list, however he added, the vehicles on the list are competitively priced. Legislator Greene expressed her desire to have the county fleet look into the cost of energy fuel efficient vehicles if not now, in the near future. The committee noted the county has purchased energy efficient UCAT buses.

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Peter Loughran  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Chris Allen  
**Roll Call Vote:** No  
**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Fabiano, Loughran, Allen, Greene, Roberts  
**Voting Against:** None  
**No. of Votes in Favor:** 5  
**No. of Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Carried

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**Motion No. 4                      Resolution No. 136 – April 15, 2014**

**Text of Motion:**                      **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 136** – Establishing Capital Project No. 408 – Purchase Of Highway Equipment – Department Of Public Works (Highway and Bridges)

Chairman Fabiano, noted he reviewed the spreadsheet of the breakdown of highway equipment thoroughly, and whereas in his vast experience, municipalities are known for extending - maximizing the life of their equipment – such as 300K miles & 17+ year old equipment. The Chairman went on to say this is a much needed resolution.

Dave Bolles noted the trailer hot patch does a much better job than cold patch which used to be cheaper.

Leg. Greene inquired how serial bonds are utilized. The committee explained, it's a financial vehicle the county uses to pay for capital projects with interest paid over the course of years – and for this reason, it is why our bond rating is so important to the county's buying power.

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Peter Loughran  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Manna Jo Greene  
**Roll Call Vote:** No

**Voting In Favor:** Legislators Fabiano, Loughran, Allen, Greene, Roberts  
**Voting Against:** None  
**No. of Votes in Favor:** 5  
**No. of Votes Against:** 0  
**Disposition:** Carried

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**Old / New Business:**

Legislator Loughran met with the County Executive's office to discuss committee meeting attendance of county employees, to be present and prepared to speak to resolutions being put before the committee. Leg. Loughran was reassured there will be representation.

Legislator Greene met with SUNY Ulster's facility manager to tour the Kelder Building, which is in her district and part of the capital improvements presented at last months meeting. Legislator Greene's concern is to maximize energy efficiencies. Legislator Greene was very impressed with the classroom portion of improvements. The older original Kelder building is yet to be done. More information will be forth coming.

Dave Bolles noted the Hurley Bridge contract will be added to this month's abstract. The demolition bids were opened – 5 or 6 bids were submitted and need to be selected. Also, both the PBI contractor and construction inspector have not yet been awarded. A committee will be formed to select the most capable inspector - not necessarily the least expensive organization. Although the contractor bids were open last week, the lowest bidder came in significantly lower than the engineer estimates which raised a red flag. Thus a review is required to be sure all parameters of the project were quoted to spec.

Chairman Fabiano asked if the PBI bridge contract has a penalty clause if the project runs later than planned. Dave Bolles unsure – noting outdoor and weather dependent, expressing a host of situations that can make the project run late. He assured the committee that contractors want to get in and get out and must post a bond equal to the total amount of the bid. Approximate construction start date should be around May.

David Bolles noted the county's mountainous areas like Sundown are seeing heavy water drainage, thus over time erosion of the roadway infrastructure.

Legislator Greene shared with the committee, the High Falls business district and residents are very concerned about repair work set for the state bridge on Rt. 213 near Lucas Ave. closing completely during the holiday season. They fear is will adversely

affect business if both lanes are closed to traffic. Both Legislator Greene and Archer have been attending community meetings.

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Next Meeting will be May 8, 2014 Thursday 6:30PM, Karen L. Binder Library C.O.B. Chairman Fabiano will not be in attendance on May 8th, and has asked Deputy Chairman Peter Loughran to chair the meeting.

**Adjournment**

**Motion Made By:** Legislator Manna Jo Greene

**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Chris Allen

**No. of Votes in Favor:** 5

**No. of Votes Against:** 0

**TIME:** 7:04 PM

**Dated the 20<sup>th</sup> Day of April, 2014**

**Nettie Tomshaw, Legislative Staff**

**Minutes Approved on: May 8, 2014**