

**Ways & Means Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: September 17, 2014 – 5:00 PM
LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, COB
PRESIDING OFFICER: Richard Gerentine, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Donald J. Quesnell
PRESENT: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
ABSENT: Briggs, Provenzano, Rodriguez
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislators Archer, Wischnick, Legislative Counsel Weiner, Ragucci, Guerin County Attorneys Bea Havranek, Jonathan Engel and Sue Plonski, Deputy County Executive Kenneth Crannell, Director of Finance Burt Gulnick, Ed Jordan Purchasing, Sylvia Wohlfahrt Information Services, Kathy Nolan of the UC Trails Advisory Committee, Sheriff Paul Van Blarcum, Comptroller Elliott Auerbach, Alan Kasay, Neck DeSantis, Joe Steckler, Emily Crannell, Paul J. Knoth, Casey Divito, Clerk of the Legislature Victoria A. Fabella, Patricia Doxsey

- Chairman Gerentine called the meeting to order at 5:07 PM

MOTION NO. 1 **Approving the Minutes of August 6, 2014 and August 19, 2014**

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve the Minutes of August 6, 2014, and August 19, 2014

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: August 6, 2014 Minutes - Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
August 19, 2014 Minutes - Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: August 6, 2014 Minutes – 5
August 19, 2014 Minutes - 5

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 2: Resolution No.337 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 337 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – O’Connor Davies, LLP – Legislature

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Discussion: Legislator Gerentine stated it was a three year contract and we are on the second year and at this point it would be hard to find another agency. Legislator Bartels said she was concerned that this resolution was before us right now and that in the future this should be discussed in February.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 3: Resolution No.342 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 342 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – National Business Equipment – Department Of Information Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Maloney
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: Sylvia Wohlfahrt spoke regarding the contract she explained it is a complex contract and that the goal is to reduce printing costs in the county. She said an assessment was done that showed they were spending 39,000 dollars a month on printing. She explained in detail the purpose of the new printers and a badge scanning process to protect documents. She explained the contract is a savings of 10,000 plus dollars a month. Legislator Gerentine asked what would happen with the current employee doing the work. Sylvia explained there is plenty of other work for that person to do. Legislator Maloney asked about turnaround time. It was explained it was four hours. Legislator Bartels asked how many responded to the RFP. An answer was given of 7. Legislator Bartels asked

how many printers were involved. It was explained 543 printers are being used currently and after the contract less than 200 would be being used. Legislator asked about a salvage value for the printers. Sylvia explained they are junk and worth nothing. Legislator Gerentine asked if there was a cost to dispose of them. Sylvia stated there was a deal in place with RRA for free disposal. Legislator Gerentine asked about an option to purchase new printers instead. There were no figures on hand to answer this question.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 4: Resolution No.313 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 313** - Requesting Transfer From Contingent Account To Restore Funding For The 2011 Appropriation – Bardavon/Ulster Performing Arts Center – Amending The 2014 Ulster County Budget

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: Legislator Gerentine explained the purpose for this resolution and how it was an oversight.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 5: Resolution No.278 – August 19, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 278** - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Family of Woodstock, Inc. – Department Of Social Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Provenzano

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 6: Resolution No.319 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 319** - Authorizing A Public Hearing As Required Under Article 25AA Of Agriculture And Markets Law Regarding the 8-Year Review Of Agricultural District No. 4 And Providing Direct Notice To Affected Municipalities –Department Of Planning

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 7: Resolution No.318 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 318** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Town Of New Paltz To Provide Public Transit Service (New Paltz LOOP) – Department Of Public Transportation (Ulster County Area Transit)

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 8: Resolution No.320 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 320 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services To Accept Additional Funds From The Crimes Against Revenue Program – Amending The 2014 Ulster County Budget – District Attorney

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Beliglio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 9: Resolution No.321 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 321 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Office Of Victim Services For Funding Under The Victim And Witness Assistance Grant Program – Amending The 2014 Ulster County Budget - Department Of Probation

Motion Made to Amend the Resolution

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Discussion: Burt Gulnick explained the resolution and the amendment including the breakdown of the change. Legislator Maio asked why we are creating the position. It was explained it was 100% funded for domestic violence.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 10: Resolution No.322 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 322 - Creating One Full Time Position And Amending The 2014 Ulster County Budget – Department Of Probation

Motion Made to Amend the Resolution

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0

Motion Made to add Sunset Clause

Motion Made By: Legislator Beartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked if the position ends after a year. It was explained there was a sunset clause and that the grant expires in 2017. Legislator Belfiglio asked how many counselors we have already. He was informed by Ken Crannel that he would get an answer for him. Legislator Maio asked if the financial impact wad off due to rounding. Burt Gulnick explained yes due to the budget being expressed in whole dollars.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 11: Resolution No.323 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 323** - Authorizing The Appropriation Of Funds From The Restitution Surcharge Account For Use In Confidential Investigations - Amending The 2014 Ulster County Budget – Ulster County Sheriff’s Office

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked the Sheriff what the restitution surcharge is. He explained that this particular resolution related to Tim Mathews. Counsel Weiner also gave a brief explanation.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 12: Resolution No.324 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 324** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Unified Court System For Reimbursement For Court Attendants – Amending the 2014 Ulster County Budget – Sheriff’s Office

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 13:

Resolution No.325 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion:

Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 325 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For Participation In The Local Emergency Management Performance Grant Program For Federal Fiscal Year 2014 – Emergency Communications / Emergency Management

Motion Made By:

Legislator Maio

Motion Seconded By:

Legislator Maloney

Discussion:

None

Voting In Favor:

Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney

Voting Against:

None

No. of Votes in Favor:

5

No. of Votes Against

0

Disposition:

Carried

Motion No. 14:

Resolution No.327 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion:

Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 327 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute Agreements With The City Of New York And Various Towns For The Purchase And Demolition Of Homes Damaged During Hurricane Irene And Tropical Storm Lee – Department of Emergency Communications / Emergency Management

Motion Made By:

Legislator Maloney

Motion Seconded By:

Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion:

None

Voting In Favor:

Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney

Voting Against:

None

No. of Votes in Favor:

5

No. of Votes Against

0

Disposition:

Carried

Motion No. 15:

Resolution No.328 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion:

Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 328 - Authorizing The Filing Of An Application For A State Grant-In-Aid For A Municipal Waste Reduction And/Or Recycling Project And

Discussion: None
Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 18: Resolution No.331 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 331** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Onteora Central School District For Substance Abuse Prevention Services - Department Of Mental Health

Motion Made By: Legislator Maloney
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked if this was only done in Onteora. Ken Crannell gave an explanation for this funding and said Kingston used to receive this a while ago.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 19: Resolution No.332 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 332** - Amending The 2014 Ulster County Budget To Accept Additional Expanded Community Support Funds – Department Of Mental Health

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Discussion: Ken Crannel spoke about the Mental Health crisis team explaining its purpose and the time and where it will be active. Legislator Maio asked about the mobile part of this team. Ken Crannel explained about how they are called and requested. Legislator Bartels asked if they were going to coordinate with the sheriff's department. Ken Crannel stated this is not a be all end all and he wished he had more funding for it.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 20: **Resolution No.333 – September 23, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 333** - Establishing A Petty Cash Fund For Use In Tobacco Sales Compliance Enforcement – Amending The 2014 Ulster County Budget - Department Of Health

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked about the \$150 dollar line. Burt Gulnick said the cash is for the sting operation side of the program. Ken Crannell stated in more detail the procedures of the program. He went on to say they don't have the authority to establish a petty cash fund.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 21: **Resolution No.334 – September 23, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 334** - Authorizing The Commissioner Of Finance To Accept A Bid For A Parcel Of County-Owned Real Property For Private Sale And Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Convey Such Parcel – Department Of Finance

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: Legislator Maio asked if we were just accepting \$500. Burt Gulnick explained they were wet lands.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5

No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 22: **Resolution No.335 – September 23, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 335** - Authorizing The Commissioner Of Finance To Reject A Bid On A Parcel Of County-Owned Property At Private Sale – Department Of Finance

Motion Made to Amend the Resolution

Motion Made By: Legislator Maloney
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against 0

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 23: **Resolution No.336 – September 23, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 336** - Authorizing The Reacquisition Of Residential Property To Original Owner – Department Of Finance

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 24: **Resolution No.338 – September 23, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 338** - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Family of Woodstock, Inc. – Department Of Social Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 25: **Resolution No.339 – September 23, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 339** - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Safeco Alarm Systems Inc. – Department Of Public Works authorizing the Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Department Of Agriculture And Markets For Funding For The Petroleum Products Quality Testing Program – Weights And Measures

Motion Made By: Legislator Maloney
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked how many buildings have these alarms. Burt Gulnick said he would get that information. Legislator Bartels asked if this was a renewal. Sue Plonski said it is a new contract with the same people. Legislator asked if we could get a copy of the last contract to see if it is the same price.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 26: Resolution No.340 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 340 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Kone, Inc – Department Of Public Works

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked how many companies bid. Sue Plonski said she would find out that information for them.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 27: Resolution No.341 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 341 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Taylor Recycling Facility, LLC – Emergency Management

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Discussion: Legislator Maio asked if they were the lowest bid. Sue Plonski explained the contract and some of its fine details

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 28: Late -Resolution No.347 – September 23, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 347 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For The FY14 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) - Amending the 2014 Ulster County Budget – Emergency Communications/Emergency Management

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Maio, Maloney

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 5

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

New Business

Old Business

General Discussion

- Joseph Steckler spoke regarding village taxes. He quoted the parcels that are still outstanding and the price associated with them. He stated he would like to see the villages made whole. Furthermore, that the counties would receive a inflow of fees for the service.
 - Rich Gerentine spoke quickly on the correspondence received by the contract agencies and how the committee will be waiting till the amendment process to be voting on this. The committee agreed.
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There being no further business before the Committee, a motion was made by Legislator Maio, seconded by Legislator Belfiglio and carried to adjourn the meeting at 5:59 pm.

Dated the 19th day of September, 2014
Donald J. Quesnell, Fiscal Analyst
Minutes Approved On: October 15, 2014