

COUNTY LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE REPORT

NAME OF COMMITTEE: Ways and Means Committee

DATE: July 8, 2009

TIME: 5:15 PM

PLACE: Library/Conference Room B
Ulster County Office Building

LEGISLATORS PRESENT: Chairman A. Lomita, and Legislators B. Cahill,
S. Cummings, F. Dart, R. Gerentine, D.
Gregorius, G. Noonan, J. Provenzano, D.
Donaldson, S. Zimet

LEGISLATORS ABSENT:

OTHERS ATTENDING: Budget Director A. Smith; Deputy Budget
Director S. Ronga; Deputy Clerk K. Spinozzi;
Deputy Clerk, M. Dellay; Deputy Clerk K.
Binder; Comptroller E. Auerbach; S.
VanSicklen; Lee Cane

1) RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 217 – Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Renewal Lease Agreement For The Family Court Premises By And Between G.D. Realty Company (Owner) And Heritage Oil Service, Inc. (Lessee) And The County Of Ulster (Sub-Lessee) – Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)

Motion was offered and seconded at the July 1 meeting.

Motion adopted.

Noes: Legislator Noonan.

Resolution No. 218 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Extend The Agreement With The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services For The Purchase Of Equipment For The A Van For The Dive/Rescue Team – Amending The 2009 Ulster County Budget – Sheriff’s Office

Legislator Cahill moved to amend resolution; seconded by Legislator Dart.

Motion to amend adopted unanimously.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Resolution No. 231- Adopting A Methodology To Charge Back The Towns And The City Of Kingston For The Costs Of Election Services – Board Of Elections

Motion offered by Legislator Cahill; seconded by Legislator Dart.

Motion adopted.

Noes: Legislators Cummings and Noonan.

MISCELLANEOUS

Budget Director A. Smith spoke about the impact of the New York State budget on Ulster County. The governor still has not signed the sales tax bill. A resolution is needed 90 days before December 1, 2009 in order for the sales tax extension to be effective. Sales tax receipts were down 12.5% in March and 7-8% in May. The July advice is due July 10. Consumer confidence in NYS is down from the national. Our two biggest options are eliminating the Mental Health Department and the Golden Hill Health Care Center. Art will contact all legislators on Friday after he receives an update from NYS Department of Taxation. The unrestricted fund balance as of 12/31/2008 was \$237 million.

Motion to adjourn by Legislator Cahill; seconded by Legislator Donaldson.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:56 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Alan Lomita, Chairman
Ways and Means Committee