

Ways & Means Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: September 13, 2017 – 5:00
LOCATION: KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building,
244 Fair Street, Kingston, NY
PRESIDING OFFICER: Richard Gerentine, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Amber Feaster
PRESENT: Legislators Chris Allen, Tracey Bartels, and Thomas Briggs
ABSENT: Legislators Carl Belfiglio, Mary Beth Maio, and James F. Maloney
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislator Manna Jo Greene; Nicholas Pascale, Legislative Counsel; Kyle Barnett, Legislative Counsel, Chris Ragucci, Minority Counsel; Burt Gulnick, Commissioner of Finance; Ken Crannell, Deputy County Executive; Chris White, Deputy Director of Planning; Marie Bing, County Attorney's Office; Undersheriff Michael Freer; Cliff Fainty, Ulster County Resident

- **Chairman Gerentine called the meeting to order at 5:21 PM**
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Motion No. 1: To approve the Minutes of August 8 and August 15, 2017

Motion Made By: Legislator Allen
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs
Discussion: None
Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 2: To postpone Resolution No. 294 - Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 4 Of 2017, (A Local Law To Provide For The Collection Of Village Real Property Taxes)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the adoption of Local Law No. 4 of 2017, a Local Law to provide for the collection of village real property taxes.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: Requested to postpone in order to obtain answers to questions and to have Joseph Stoeckeler, the Village of Ellenville manager, present.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 3: To approve Resolution No. 346 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – BAE Systems Controls Inc. – UCAT

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution with BAE Systems Controls Inc. for \$228,600.00 for the extension of the warranty and maintenance plan for the HybriDrive propulsion systems in the Orion Hybrid Buses.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 4: To approve Resolution No. 347 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Astor Services For Children & Families – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Astor Services for Children & Families to increase NYS OMH State Aid Advance funding and to expand programming to include a Home-Based Crisis Intervention Program for an additional \$61,482.00, for a total contract cost of \$362,216.00.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs

Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 5: To approve Resolution No. 348 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – C&S Engineers – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with C&S Engineers to extend the term of the agreement and increase funding for inspection services related to the replacement of Bailey Bridge over the East Branch of the Neversink (extension covers project closeout) for an additional \$119,829.61, making total contract costs \$561,463.90.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: Legislator Bartels inquired of the project's current budget performance in comparison to its original budget. Burt Gulnick, Commissioner of Finance, explained that the original budget was solely for engineering costs and was later amended for additional stages of the project.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 6: To approve Resolution No. 349 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Complete Building Solutions, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Complete Building Solutions, Inc. to exercise the first of two one year options to extend the term of the agreement and increase funding for janitorial services in various County buildings for an additional \$154,740.00, making total contract costs \$593,056.00.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked if an analysis has been performed on the cost of completing the project in-house. Burt Gulnick, Commission of Finance, to research.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs

Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 7: To approve Resolution No. 350 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment Causing The Aggregate Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Black Creek Integrated Systems Corp. – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Black Creek Integrated Systems Corp. to extend the term of the agreement and increase funding for support and maintenance of the computerized electronic locking system at the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center for an additional \$47,643.00, making total contract costs \$350,321.89.

Motion Made By: Legislator Allen
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 8: To approve Resolution No. 351 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Hudson Valley Engineering Associates – Department Of Planning

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Hudson Valley Engineering Associates to expand the scope of work, extend the term of the agreement, and increase funding for engineering services related to the development of the Hudson Valley Rail Trail West: Phase 4 in the Town of Lloyd for an additional \$196,750.00, making total contract costs \$412,790.00.

Motion Made By: Legislator Allen
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 9: To approve Resolution No. 352 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment Causing The Aggregate Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Assetworks LLC – Information Services

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Assetworks LLC to extend the term of the agreement and increase funding for maintenance and support of the County-wide fleet management software for an additional \$19,163.97, making the total contract costs \$368,311.83.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 10: To approve Resolution No. 353 - Amending The 2017 Ulster County Budget To Accept Increased Funding From The New York State Office Of Mental Health For Additional Supported Housing Beds– Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes amendment of the 2017 Ulster County Budget to accept increased funding in the amount of \$10,101.00 for two additional supported housing beds as per OMH State Aid letter dated August 11, 2017.

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 11: To approve Resolution No. 355 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Department Of Transportation – To Accept The New York State Share For Mass Transportation Projects For Federal Fiscal Year 2017 - Department Of Public Transportation (Ulster County Area Transit)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chairman of the Legislature to execute an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) in order to accept the New York State Share for Federal Fiscal Year 2017 Mass Transportation Capital Projects, in the total amount of \$355,278.00.

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 12: To approve Resolution No. 357 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Onteora Central School District To Provide A Deputy Sheriff As A School Resource Officer – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chairman of the Legislature to sign an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the Onteora Central School District to provide a Deputy Sheriff to serve as a School Resource Officer for the term September 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney in consultation with the Chairman of the Legislature and the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: Discussed full-time status of officers and how time off, pay, and work schedules are managed during the School's summer break. Undersheriff Freer to follow up with a history of how much time School Resource Officers spend each year working patrol during summer break.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 13: To approve Resolution No. 358 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Rondout Valley Central School District To Provide Two Deputy Sheriffs As School Resource Officers – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chairman of the Legislature to sign an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the Rondout Valley Central School District to provide two (2) Deputy Sheriffs to serve as School Resource Officers for the term September 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney in consultation with the Chairman of the Legislature and the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 14: To approve Resolution No. 359 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Ulster County Board of Cooperative Educational Services To Provide A Deputy Sheriff As A School Resource Officer – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chairman of the Legislature to sign an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the Ulster County Board of Cooperative Educational Services to provide a Deputy Sheriff to serve as a School Resource Officer for the term September 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney in consultation with the Chairman of the Legislature and the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 15: To postpone Resolution No. 360 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement And Any Amendments Thereto, With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For FY17 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Amending The 2017 Ulster County Budget – Emergency Communications / Emergency Management

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chairman of the Legislature to execute an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services for the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) FY17, in the amount of \$269,921.00, as filed with the Clerk of the Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney in consultation with the Chairman of the Legislature and the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee. Further, this Resolution amends the 2017 Ulster County budget to reflect this agreement.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: Inquired of the type of equipment to be purchased with the included funds. Burt Gulnick, Commission of Finance, to follow up.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 16: To approve Resolution No. 361 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute Two Contracts With The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services For Alternatives To Incarceration Programs – Department Of Probation And The Public Defender

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chairman of the Legislature to execute contracts, and any amendments thereto, with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services for two of the County's Alternatives to Incarceration Programs: Pretrial Release and Community Services and for the Defender Based Advocate and the Conflict Defender Based Advocate program for the initial terms July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, with successive one

year renewal terms, as filed with the Clerk of the Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney in consultation with the Chairman of the Legislature and the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 17: To Postpone Resolution No. 362 - Confirming The Appointment Of Thomas Jackson As Commissioner Of The Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution confirms the appointment of Thomas Jackson to the position of Commissioner of the Ulster County Department of Public Works.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Postponed for 1 week

Motion No. 18: To approve Resolution No. 363 - Approving A Project Labor Agreement For Capital Project No. 494 - Business Resource Center Renovations To Accommodate Family Court – Department Of Purchasing And Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution ratifies the recommendation of the Purchasing Director and the Interim Commissioner of Public Works for the use of a Project Labor Agreement for Capital Project No. 494.

Motion Made By: Legislator Allen
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: None
Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 19: To approve Resolution No. 364 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Claim For Payment And Any Additional Documents Necessary To Secure Payment From New York State For The Appropriation Of County Property located in Town of Wawarsing – New York State Acquisition Map No. 53 Parcel No.73 – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chairman of the Legislature to execute, on behalf of the County of Ulster, any and all documents related to the appropriation of Parcel No. 73 in the Town of Wawarsing and necessary to secure payment of the claim in the amount of \$2,350.00 as approved by the County Attorney.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: Burt Gulnick, Commission of Finance, explained that the State is obtaining County property via eminent domain and that the payment to be received is for the value of the property. The purpose of the transfer is for highway development.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 20: To approve Resolution No. 365 - Amending Capital Project No. 260 - Bailey Bridge (BIN 3347090), A Project For The Bridge Replacement On Denning Road Over The East Branch Of The Neversink Creek – Transportation Improvement Project (TIP) Not On The State Highway System – Amending The 2017 – 2022 Capital Improvement Program – Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes Ulster County to pay in the first instance 100% of the Federal and non-Federal share of the cost of construction work for the Project or portions thereof, and, in the event the full Federal and non-Federal share costs of the Project exceeds the amount appropriated, requires the Legislature to convene as soon as possible to appropriate the excess amount immediately upon notification by the County Executive. Further,

this resolution authorizes the Chairman of the Legislature to execute all necessary agreements, certifications, or reimbursement requests for Federal Aid and/or applicable Marchiselli Aid on behalf of Ulster County with the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project, and amends the Ulster County 2017-2022 Capital Program to add Capital Project No. 260 – Bailey Bridge.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: Burt Gulnick, Commissioner of Finance, clarified that the project started in 2003.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 21: To approve Resolution No. 367 - Amending Capital Project Nos. 345-351 – Building Accessibility Upgrade And Renovations (ADA Compliance) – And Amending The 2017-2022 Capital Program - Department Of Public Works (Buildings & Grounds)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution amends the 2017-2022 Capital Program – Building Accessibility Upgrades and Renovations (ADA Compliance) – Various County Buildings to reflect a change in estimated Project costs from \$655,000.00 to \$885,596.00 due to the receipt of bids in excess of the original estimate.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: Discussed how the original estimate was obtained. Burt Gulnick, Commissioner of Finance, explained that the purpose of the budgetary transfers is to fine-tune the requirements for each of the included projects which are all similar in nature.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 22: To Approve Resolution No. 369 - Authorizing The Ulster County Commissioner Of Finance To Accept Redemption Offers Relative To Payment Of Real Property Taxes In The 2015 In Rem Foreclosure Proceeding

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Commissioner of Finance to accept monies equal to the amount due, plus interest to the date of payment, in the 2015 In Rem Proceeding, plus an additional late redemption fee of \$100.00, up to the date the County takes title to the included properties, and from the date the County takes title to the included properties until five o'clock pm Eastern Time on the Friday before the Ulster County Public Auction, the Ulster County Commissioner of Finance can accept monies equal to the amount due, plus interest to the date of payment, plus the aforesaid \$100.00 redemption fee, plus a \$250.00 buy-back fee, plus recording fees in connection with the buy-back of the property. Further, this Resolution allows the Commissioner of Finance to add an additional \$100.00 posting fee, if necessary, and requires that the aforementioned monies be held in escrow and considered an offer of redemption, subject to the approval of the Legislature in its sole and absolute discretion, and requires that all payments be in the form of certified check, bank check, cash, or money order.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Postponed for 1 week

Motion No. 23: To approve Resolution No. 370 - Accepting The Accounting Of Unpaid School Taxes For The 2017-2018 School Year, Directing Payment To The School Districts And Directing Re-Levying Pursuant To Real Property Tax Law – Department Of Finance

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the amounts of unpaid school taxes for the 2017-2018 school year be paid by the Ulster County Commissioner of Finance to those officers charge by law with the custody of school district monies, and together with seven percent of the combined amount of principal plus accrued interest, be re-levied via the 2018 General Tax upon the real property upon which the school taxes were originally imposed, so long as the accounts of unpaid school taxes for the 2017-2018 school year have been filed with the Clerk of the Legislature prior to the re-levying of the unpaid taxes, and that when such re-levy is collected, the same shall be returned to the Commissioner of Finance to reimburse the County for the amount advanced and for the expense of collection.

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: None
Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 24: To postpone Resolution No. 372 - Establishing And Reporting The Standard Work Day For Elected And Appointed Officials

Resolution Summary: This Resolution establishes a specified Standard Work Day for specified elected and appointed officials who are not covered by a collective bargaining agreement, and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the established time keeping system or the record of activities (ROA) maintained and submitted to the Clerk of the Legislature.

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: Explained that Resolution was requested to be postponed for Legislator Rodriguez to gather information.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, and Briggs
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

New Business: The 2017 Budget Schedule for the 2018 Proposed Budget was presented to the members of the Committee. Committee members discussed attendance to the scheduled Public Hearings on the Budget. Discussion pursued on the Deadline for Legislative Amendments / Departmental Appeals.

Old Business: Chairman Gerentine inquired if there were any questions regarding the memorandum dated August 17, 2017, entitled "Family Court Renovations" concerning the feasibility of the use of solar panels on the roof of the BRC, as part of the Family Court renovations. Legislator Greene emphasized support for the investment, stating that alternatives such as finding open space or building a system over the parking lot, are possible. Legislator Greene expressed a

need for the County to start generating its own electricity, not just buying it, stating that buying electricity helps to support other communities but the more infrastructure there is in our County, the more resilient we are going to be.

Chairman Gerentine asked if there was any other business or questions. There being no further business before the Committee, a motion was made to adjourn.

Adjournment

Motion Made By:	Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By:	Legislator Allen
No. of Votes in Favor:	4
No. of Votes Against:	0

Time:	5:49 pm
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Respectfully submitted:	Amber Feaster
Minutes Approved:	October 17, 2017