

Ways & Means Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: April 11, 2017 – 5:30
LOCATION: KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building,
244 Fair Street, Kingston, NY
PRESIDING OFFICER: Richard Gerentine, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Fawn Tantillo
PRESENT: Legislators Chris Allen, Tracey Bartels, Carl Belfiglio, Mary Beth Maio
ABSENT: Legislators Thomas J. Briggs and James F. Maloney
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislator Manna Jo Greene; Nicholas Pascale, Legislative Counsel;
Kyle Barnett, Majority Counsel; Christopher Ragucci, Minority Counsel; Nina Postupack, County
Clerk; Paul Van Blarcum, Sheriff; Ken Crannel, Deputy County Executive; Burt Gulnick,
Commissioner of Finance; Dennis Doyle, Director of Planning; Michael Freer, Sheriff's Office;
Jennifer Clark, County Attorney's Office; James Halloway; Ilona Ross; Tom Kadgen, League of
Women Voters

- **Chairman Gerentine called the meeting to order at 5:08 PM**

Motion No. 1: To approve Resolution No. 178 - Supporting Senate Bill 1908 And Assembly Bill 3397, Increasing The County DMV Revenue Sharing Rate

Resolution Summary: This is a Memorializing resolution that calls for the State Legislature to pass Senate Bill 1908 and Assembly Bill 3397 that would provide a more equitable distribution of Department of Motor Vehicle fees.

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

Discussion: County Clerk Nina Postupack distributed information detailing the revenues generated by the Ulster County Department of Motor Vehicles. The New York County Clerks and NYSAC support this bill that will create a more equitable division of the revenues.

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

Motion No. 2: To approve Resolution No. 104 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Litson Health Care, Inc. d/b/a Willcare – Office For The Aging

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Litson Health Care, Inc. d/b/a Willcare in an amount of \$595,800 on behalf of the Ulster County Office For The Aging to provide in home personal care services for seniors.

Motion Made By: Legislator Allen
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio and Maio

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 5

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 3: To approve the Minutes of March 7 and March 22, 2017 as presented

Motion Made By: Legislator Allen
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio and Maio

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 5

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Minutes Approved

Motion No. 4: To approve Resolution No. 140 - Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 3 Of 2017 (A Local Law Exempting From Taxation Real Property Improved Pursuant To The Federal Americans With Disabilities Act Of 1990) To Be Held On Tuesday, May 9, 2017 At 6:35 PM

Resolution Summary: This resolution schedule a public hearing on Tuesday, May 9, 2017 regarding Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2017 - A Local Law Exempting From Taxation Real Property Improved Pursuant To The Federal Americans With Disabilities Act Of 1990.

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio and Maio

Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Minutes Approved

Motion No. 5: To approve Resolution No. 147 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Legal Services Of The Hudson Valley – Department Of Probation

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Legal Services Of The Hudson Valley in an amount expected to exceed \$50,000 on behalf of the Ulster County Department of Probation to provide legal services for the victims of domestic violence.

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio and Maio
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Minutes Approved

Motion No. 6: To approve Resolution No. 148 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Westchester Medical Center – Department Of Health

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Westchester Medical Center in the amount of \$432,000 on behalf of the Ulster County Department of Health to provide forensic pathology services.

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: None

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

Motion No. 7: To discuss Resolution No. 149 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – CT Male Associates – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with CT Male Associates in the amount of \$188,952 on behalf of the Ulster County Department of Public Works to provide design services for the development of a County Wide Fire Training Facility.

Motion Made By: Legislator Allen
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio for discussion

Discussion: Legislator Bartels said this was a great concept and a project of critical importance but expressed concern regarding the location, specifically the proximity to homes and unique animal habitat. Legislator Bartels wanted to ensure this site was suitable before investing in any design work.

Mr. Doyle told the committee that other properties were considered by a special committee and they selected this site. He explained that CT Male Associates would do an environmental survey and assessment that is required under SEQR as part of this contract. He pointed out the listing of “tasks” that were included in the contract.

Chairman Gerentine noted that those tasks included design work and asked Mr. Doyle to break the environmental tasks into a separate contract so the legislature would have an opportunity to review the finding before they approve funding for design plans and suggested the committee postpone any decision on this resolution until next week’s Ways and Means meeting at which time it could be amended.

Motion No. 8: To postpone Resolution No. 149 until the April 18, 2017 Ways and Means meeting.

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio and Maio

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 5

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Postponed for 1 week

Motion No. 9: To postpone Resolution No. 168 - Amending Capital Project No. 483– Fire Training Center – Department of Public Works To Increase Funding for Design and Engineering Work and Include Funding for Legal Work (Department of Public Works Buildings and Grounds)

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes expenditures exclusively for design, engineering and any needed environmental and legal work necessary to effectuate the design of

the Fire Training Center consistent with the County's responsibilities under SEQRA and amends Capital Project No. 483 in the amount of \$48,000.

Motion Made By: Legislator Allen
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: Because this resolution relates to the Fire Training Center that was postponed in Resolution No. 149 the committee postponed this resolution until the April 18, 2017 Ways and Means meeting.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio and Maio
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution Postponed for 1 week

Motion No. 10: To approve Resolution No. 156 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – VHB Engineering – Department Of Planning

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with VHB Engineering, in the amount of \$63,338 on behalf of the Ulster County Department of Planning to develop and preform road safety assessments.

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

Discussion: None

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

Motion No. 11: To approve Resolution No. 165 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Grant Agreement With The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation For The Ashokan Rail Trail Project – Planning Department

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman to execute a contract with The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation in the amount of \$63.338 on behalf of the Ulster County Planning Department for work on the Ashokan Trail Project.

Motion Made By: Legislator
Motion Seconded By: Legislator

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

Motion No. 12: To bundle Resolutions 150 to 155.

Motion Made By: Legislator Allen
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: None

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

Motion No. 13: To approve Resolutions 150 to 155

Resolution No. 150 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Peckham Road Corp. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Peckham Road Corp in the amount that is expected to exceed \$50,000 on behalf of the Ulster County Department of Public Works for cold in-place asphalt recycling.

Resolution No. 151 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Callanan Industries Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Callanan Industries Inc. in the amount that is expected to exceed \$50,000 on behalf of the Ulster County Department of Public Works for in-place paving of various county roads.

Resolution No. 152 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Peckham Road Corp. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Peckham Road Corp in the amount that is expected to exceed \$50,000 on behalf of the Ulster County Department of Public Works for cold in-place asphalt recycling.

Resolution No. 153 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Highway Rehabilitation Corp. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Highway Rehabilitation Corp., in the amount that is expected to exceed \$50,000 on behalf of the Ulster County Department of Public Works for hot in-place asphalt recycling.

Resolution No. 154 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment Causing The Aggregate Contract Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Town & County Bridge And Rail Inc.– Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Town & Country Bridge & Rail, Inc. in the amount of \$40,000 on behalf of the Ulster County Department of Public Works for shotcrete repairs.

Resolution No. 155 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gorman Bros. Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Gorman Bros., Inc. at an established rate that is expected to exceed a total of \$50,000 on behalf the Ulster County Department of Public Works for crack sealing services.

Motion Made By: Legislator Allen

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio and Maio

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 5

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolutions 150 to 155 Approved

Motion No. 14: To approve Resolution No. 157 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Sandhu Contracting Inc. – Ulster County Community College

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Sandhu Contracting, Inc, in the amount of \$114,000 on behalf of SUNY Ulster for the replacement of a lower roof section at the Kingston Campus.

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

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio and Maio

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 5

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 15: To approve Resolution No. 158 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into Agreements With The New York State Office For The Aging For The Administration Of The NY Connects Program And The Balancing Incentive Program (BIP) – Office For The Aging

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature to execute the agreement with required assurances, and any amendments thereto, with the New York State Office for the Aging for the NY Connects and the Balancing Incentive Program in the amount of \$239,907 in the adopted County Budget.

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio and Maio

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 5

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 16: To approve Resolution No. 159 - Providing For The Burial Of Spouses Of Veterans In The Ulster County Veterans' Cemetery – Veterans' Service Agency

Resolution Summary: This resolution would entitle the spouse of an eligible Veteran, as that term is defined by regulations promulgated by the Department of Veterans Affairs National Cemetery Administration, to be buried in the Ulster County Veterans Cemetery without incurring burial charges.

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen
Discussion: None
Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio and Maio
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 17: To approve Resolution No. 160 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Department Of Environmental Conservation (DEC) To Accept Grant Funds Under The 2016 Municipal Zero-emission Vehicle (ZEV) & ZEV Infrastructure Rebate Program - Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This resolution will authorize the Chairman to execute an agreement with NYS DEC to accept a grant of \$15,000 to offset the purchase of three zero-emission vehicles.

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen
Discussion: None
Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio and Maio
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 18: To approve Resolution No. 161 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute Agreements With The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) To Accept Grant Funds Under The 2016 Municipal Zero-emission Vehicle (ZEV) & ZEV Infrastructure Rebate Program - Amending The 2017 Ulster County Budget – Department of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This resolution will authorize the Chairman to execute an agreement with NYS DEC to accept a grant of \$71,258.36 to offset the installation of 6 electric vehicle charging stations.

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen
Discussion: None

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

Motion No. 19: To approve Resolution No. 162 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Department Of Environmental Conservation (DEC) To Accept Grant Funds, For The Ulster County Municipal Compost Expansion Project, And Amending The 2017 Ulster County Budget – Department Of The Environment

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature to execute the agreement with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (Contract DEC01-C00385GG) for the purpose of accepting a grant in the amount of \$261,000.00 from the Climate Smart Communities Program for the expansion and improvement of the compost facility at UCCRA.

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

Discussion: Legislator Bartels said this project was important and wanted to take a moment to praised the efforts of Amanda Lavalle, Ulster County Department of the Environmental and asked Mr. Crannell to briefly discuss this project as well as the grants associated with Resolutions 160 and 161.

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

Motion No. 20: To approve Resolution No. 166 - Authorizing The Acquisition Of Right-Of-Way Interests Over Certain Real Property For The Rehabilitation of the Wallkill Bridge Over the Wallkill River and Amending Capital Project 439 for Right-of-Way Acquisition - Department Of Public Works (Highways & Bridges)

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman to enter into an agreement to purchase a right of way as part of Capital Project 439 for the rehabilitation of the Wallkill Bridge from funds previously approved appropriations.

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: None

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

Motion No. 21: To approve Resolution No. 167 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Waive Its Right Of First Refusal To Purchase Real Property Located At 16 Lucas Avenue In The City of Kingston, Ulster County, New York And To Release All Right, Title And Interest In Purchasing Said Property To Its Owner, GD Realty Kingston, LLC, And To Its Lessor, GD Realty Company – Department Of Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes and directs the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature to make, execute and deliver to said owner and lessor of 16 Lucas Avenue in the City of Kingston, Ulster County, New York, or to their authorized representative(s), a “Certificate of Right of First Refusal Waiver and Release”

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

Discussion: None

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

Motion No. 22: To approve Resolution No. 172 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Inter-Municipal Agreement With The County Of Oneida For Boarding Inmates At The Central New York Psychiatric Center – Sheriff’s Office

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature to enter into an Agreement, and any amendments thereto, with Oneida County for security of Ulster County inmates boarded out to the Central New York Psychiatric Center at a cost of \$185.00 per inmate per day for a term beginning on January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2019

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked how many inmates were boarded at this facility.

Sheriff VanBlarcum briefly discussed the program and the costs associated with it over the past few years.

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

Motion No. 23: To approve Resolution No. 173 - Amending The 2017 Ulster County Budget-Appropriating Unexpended Funds From The New York State Office Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For The Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (Contract No. C974150) – Ulster County Sheriff Office

Resolution Summary: This resolution will authorize the Ulster County Sheriff to expend \$67,500 from a NYS Homeland Security Grant to purchase communication and computer equipment pursuant to Resolution No. 348 dated September 15, 2015 and Ulster County Revenue Contract # 2015-00000444.

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: None

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

Motion No. 28: To approve Resolution No. 174 - Amending The 2017 Ulster County Budget – Appropriating Unexpended Funds From The New York State Office Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For The Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (Contract No. C974160) – Ulster County Sheriff Office

Resolution Summary: This resolution will authorize the Ulster County Sheriff to expend \$67,500 from a NYS Homeland Security Grant to purchase communication and computer equipment pursuant to Resolution No. 347 dated July 19, 2016 and Ulster County Revenue Contract # 2016-00000346,t

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: None

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

No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 29: To approve Resolution No. 176 - Authorizing The Conveyance Of County-Owned Properties To The Original Owners – Department Of Finance

Resolution Summary: This resolution would authorize property seized by Ulster County for non-payment of property taxes to be returned to the original owners who have paid the back taxes and fines.

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

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio and Maio

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 5

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

New Business: None

Old Business: None

Chairman Gerentine asked if there was any other business, hearing none

Adjournment

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

No. of Votes in Favor: 5

No. of Votes Against: 0

Time: Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm

Respectfully submitted: Fawn Tantillo, Deputy Clerk
Minutes Approved: May 9, 2017