

**Law Enforcement & Public Safety Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: October 3, 2018 – 4:45 PM
LOCATION: COB, 6th Floor, KL Binder Library
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chairwoman Mary Beth Maio
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk
PRESENT: Legislators Collins, Haynes & Ronk
ABSENT: Legislators Eckert & Fabiano
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Captain Altieri, Superintendent Hanstein & Major Becker – UC Sheriff's Office, Deputy County Executive Rider, Director Doyle – Planning Department, Director Schmidt – Probation Department, Director Peterson – Emergency Management/Emergency Communications, Mr. Everett Erichsen – Emergency Management Fire Services, Ms. Laura Cunningham – Marbletown resident

Chairwoman Maio called the meeting to order at 4:45 PM.

Motion No. 1: Moved to **APPROVE** the Minutes of the September 4, 2018 meeting

Motion By: Legislator Haynes
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Ronk

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Maio & Ronk
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Minutes **APPROVED**

Resolutions for the October 16, 2018 Session of the Legislature

Resolution No. 384: Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature And The Warden Of The Ulster County Jail To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Office Of Mental Health For Inmate Processing Pursuant To Section 508 Of The New York State Correction Law And 14 NYCRR 18.7 - Ulster County Sheriff's Office

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman and the Warden of the Ulster County Jail to execute an agreement with NYSOMH for the transfer of custody of prisoners who require treatment and hospitalization for certain mental illnesses.

Motion No. 2: Motion to **ADOPT Resolution No. 384**
Motion By: Legislator Collins

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Ronk

Discussion:

Chairwoman Maio recognized Superintendent Hanstein to explain the resolution. Superintendent Hanstein advised the members that the resolution authorized a security agreement which is standard for occasions when inmates need to be transported upstate for incarceration at facilities with specialized mental health services. Major Becker added that the county used to execute an agreement with Oneida County every year, but because they are not handling it anymore the Office of Mental Health has stepped in. Chairman Ronk asked if NYS OMH provides security for the inmate transport. Superintendent Hanstein responded that the county is still responsible for inmate transportation.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Maio & Ronk
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution is ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 385: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Trinity Services Group, Inc. – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Trinity Services Group, Inc. for food services for the Ulster County Jail for 2018-2021.

Motion No. 3: **Motion to ADOPT Resolution No. 385**
Motion By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Haynes

Discussion:

Chairwoman Maio asked if there were any questions. Chairman Ronk asked if the contract was awarded through the RFP process. Superintendent Hanstein responded that it was and informed the members that Orange and Albany Counties have also switched from Aramark to Trinity and reports about the company are very positive. Major Becker added that there is also a substantial cost savings. In anticipation of questions from some Legislators, Chairman Ronk asked that a copy of menus be provided.

Superintendent Hanstien informed the members that the contract also includes commissary services and stated that vending machines will be available in housing pods for inmate access. Deputy Executive Rider stated that he would ask the Purchasing Department to forward menus.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Maio & Ronk
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution is ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 386: Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Lease Agreement With Pine Professional Center, LLC, For Offices Of the County’s Probation Department – Department Of Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman to execute a lease agreement with Pine Professional Center, LLC, for offices of the County’s Probation Department located on the first floor of 124 Main Street, New Paltz, NY, for a five-year term from November 1, 2018 - October 31, 2023, at an annual cost of \$22,260.00.

Motion No. 4: **Motion to ADOPT Resolution No. 386**
Motion By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion:
Chairwoman Maio informed the members that county has been using the New Paltz location since 1999. Deputy Executive Rider advised the members that a number of lease renewal agreements will be coming before the Legislature in the next few months.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Maio & Ronk
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution is ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 387: Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Lease Amendment With Ulster Savings Bank, For Offices of the County’s Public Defender – Department Of Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman to execute a lease amendment, with Ulster Saving Bank, for offices of the Public Defender at the premises located at 280 Wall Street, Kingston, NY, for a term from November 1, 2018 - September 30, 2020, at an annual cost of \$6,020.00 and an adjusted total annual lease cost of \$67,452.00.

Motion No. 5: **Motion to ADOPT Resolution No. 387**
Motion By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion:
Deputy Executive Rider advised the members that the additional square footage became available and would be used primarily to accommodate the Conflict Defender from Dutchess County. He added that when a tenant left Ulster Savings Bank reached out to see if the county wanted the additional space.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Maio & Ronk
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4

Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution is ADOPTED

Resolution No. 392: Amending Capital Project No. 483, Fire Training Center – Amending The 2018 – 2023 Capital Improvement Program – Department Of Public Works (Buildings and Grounds)

Resolution Summary: This resolution amends the 2018-2023 Ulster County Capital Improvement Program to increase professional services of Capital Project No. 483 to \$315,000 exclusively for design, engineering and any needed environmental and legal work necessary to effectuate the design of the fire training center.

Motion No. 6: Motion to ADOPT Resolution No. 392
Motion By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Haynes

Discussion:

Chairwoman Maio informed the members that the resolution pertains to the fire training center in the Town of Ulster. She recognized Director Doyle from the Planning Department to explain the amendment to the Capital Project. Director Doyle advised the members that the amendment is to accomplish final design. He added that they have preliminary designs and that the funding will cover the cost of final design services specified in Resolution No. 394, as well as title search for the easement.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Maio & Ronk
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution is ADOPTED

Resolution No. 394: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – C.T. Male Associates – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with C.T. Male Associates in the amount of \$308,900 for design services required to complete the final design of the Fire Training Center Site located at 250 Ulster Landing Road.

Motion No. 7: Motion to ADOPT Resolution No. 394
Motion By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Haynes

Discussion:

Director Doyle reiterated that the contract is for final design services. He added that final design work was not included in the original resolution.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Maio & Ronk
Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution is ADOPTED**

Resolution No. 395: Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Easement And A Memorandum Of Agreement (MOA) With The Town Of Ulster, New York For A Fire Training Center – Department Of Public Works (Buildings and Grounds)

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman to execute an easement for the construction and operation of a fire training center on lands owned by the Town of Ulster located at 250 Ulster Landing Road, and to develop a Memorandum of Agreement (the “MOA”) for the operations of the fire training center, to ensure access to the center by the fire services in the Town and preserve access to the existing law enforcement shooting range.

Motion No. 8: **Motion to ADOPT Resolution No. 395**
Motion By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Collins

Discussion:

Chairman Ronk stated that the Town of Ulster had expressed some concerns early in the process and asked Director Doyle if they had been addressed. Director Doyle responded that the Town of Ulster would be considering the agreement at their meeting on October 4th and that he expected them to move forward. He added that the agreement allows the town access to the law enforcement firing range for continued operation and maintenance during the eighteen months of construction at the training facility. He advised the members that they expected completion in less than eighteen months.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Collins, Haynes, Maio & Ronk
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 4
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: **Resolution is ADOPTED**

Chairwoman Maio moved on to the Sheriff’s report and highlighted the board in revenue. Chairman Ronk asked if the county was still receiving inmates from Dutchess County. Superintendent Hanstein responded that they were and added that 37 – 40 of the current inmates are from Greene County who recently closed their jail due to health and safety concerns.

Chairwoman Maio recognized Captain Altieri who asked to speak to the members about the recent active shooter incident at Ellenville Hospital. Captain Altieri stated that, although the state had the lead on the response, it was a team effort between the Sheriff’s Office, Ellenville Police, DEP Police, Forrest Rangers, and local fire services. He added that the local fire department was generous with the use of their facility which was occupied 24/7 for 3 – 4 days. He stated that it was another excellent example of how, in Ulster County, agencies work together to provide the best possible services. He informed the members that the operation required a lot of additional man hours which will result in a higher than usual payroll period.

Chairman Ronk asked Captain Altieri to pass along his gratitude to Deputy Alberts whose actions saved a family in Plattekill. Captain Altieri advised the members that he would and that the Hudson Valley News will be doing a story on it, as well as the incident in Ellenville. Chairwoman Maio thanked him for the update and expressed her appreciation for their response and her relief that no one was hurt.

Chairwoman Maio asked if there was any old business and hearing none recognized Probation Department Director Schmidt to briefly discuss the Restorative Justice Center. Director Schmidt advised the members that she would give the committee a report on the facility and the how the Raise the Age implementation is going at the November meeting. She added that thus far no sixteen year olds have been referred to them. She reminded the members that the new regulations have only been effective since October 1st. Captain Altieri informed the members that they were in the process of hiring four security guards for the new facility.

Chairwoman Maio moved on to events around the county and informed the members that they were provided with a flyer seeking volunteers for the Crime Victims Assistance Program. She advised the members that Chief Waage is holding a self-defense for women training on October 17th in Lloyd and asked if anyone had any events to share. Director Schmidt reminded the members that the month of October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Deputy Director Rider advised the members that there was a school safety awareness forum in Wallkill that evening. Emergency Management/Emergency Communication Director Peterson advised the members that Fire Prevention Week began the following week.

Chairwoman Maio informed the members that the next committee meeting was tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, November 6th. She advised the members that the meeting date may change as the 6th is Election Day. She asked if there was any other business. Hearing none;

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Collins

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Ronk

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

TIME: 5:02 PM

Respectfully submitted: Jay Mahler, Deputy Clerk

Minutes Approved: November 5, 2018