

**Ways & Means Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: September 15, 2015 – 5:30pm
LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, COB
PRESIDING OFFICER: Richard Gerentine, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Donald J. Quesnell
PRESENT: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio. Maloney, R. Parete, J. Parete(@5:42)
ABSENT: None
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislators Archer, Bartels, Greene, Ronk, Legislative Counsel Weiner, Ragucci, Guerin, County Attorneys Jonathan Engel, Tracey Steeves, Commissioner of Finance Burt Gulnick, Sheriff Van Blarcum, Jay Mahler

- Chairman Gerentine called the meeting to order at 5:40PM

Motion No. 1: Resolution No. 298 – September 15, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 298 – September 15, 2015 - Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 13 of 2015 (A Local Law Regarding Campaign Finance Reform in Ulster County) To Be Held On ~~Wednesday, October 14, 2015 at 6:00 PM~~ Tuesday, November 17, 2015 At 7:00 PM

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

Discussion: Legislator Belfiglio asked about the constitutional issues regarding the letter from the Attorney’s office. Legislator Gregorius said the County Attorney would have it by caucus. Legislator R.Parete said they pushed this off until November so they could amend it in the following month.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio. Maloney, R. Parete, J. Parete
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 9
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 2: Resolution No. 326 – September 15, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Postpone Resolution No. 326 – September 15, 2015 - Requesting Establishment Of Cash On Hand Fund – Ulster Regional Gang Enforcement Narcotics Team (URGENT)

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Discussion: Legislator Belfiglio asked about the constitutional issues regarding the letter from the Attorney's office. Legislator Gregorius said the County Attorney would have it by caucus. Legislator R.Parete said they pushed this off until November so they could amend it in the following month.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio. Maloney, R. Parete
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Postponed for 1 month.

Motion No. 3: Resolution No. 354 – September 15, 2015

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No.354 – September 15, 2015 - Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 16 of 2015 (A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 1 Of 1996 (A Local Law To Prohibit Soliciting, Peddling Or Vending On Any County Owned Property), To Allow For Use Of County Owned And Leased Building Space By Veterans And Disabled Members Of Ulster County) To Be Held On Wednesday, October 14, 2015 At 6:15 PM**

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio. Maloney, R. Parete
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 4: Resolution No. 356 – September 15, 2015

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 356 – September 15, 2015 - Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 11 of 2015, (A Local Law Establishing The Ulster County Animal Abuse Registry)**

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio. Maloney, R. Parete
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Carried

New Business

- Legislator Gerentine brought up the subject of Flow Control in regards to the UCRRA. He asked the committee if they would be willing to revisit the subject as he feels it was a failed endeavor. A discussion ensued. Legislator Parete brought up issuing a Net Service Fee again. The committee asked what the cost of that would be. Donald Quesnell stated due to the fee being waved the RRA has had the ability to not fill their reserves to the amount required by the contract. The first few years would cost millions if the Service Fee was paid again. The Legislators stated perhaps the Solid Waste Committee should look into this.
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Old Business

There being no further business before the Committee, a motion was made by Legislator Briggs, seconded by Legislator Gregorius and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:20pm.

Dated the 21st day of September, 2015
Donald J. Quesnell, Fiscal Analyst
Minutes Approved On: October 14, 2015