

**Ways & Means Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: October 15, 2014 – 5:00 PM
LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, COB
PRESIDING OFFICER: Richard Gerentine, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Donald J. Quesnell
PRESENT: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez
ABSENT: None
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislative Chairman Parete, Legislators Allen, Archer, Ronk, Wischnick, Legislative Counsel Weiner, Guerin County Attorneys Jonathan Engel and Sue Plonski, Deputy County Executive Kenneth Crannell, Comptroller Auerbach, Sylvia Wohlfahrt Information Services, Deputy of Planning Chris White, Marie Shultis of Awareness Inc., Abigail Osgood of DIAC, Clerk of the Legislature Victoria A. Fabella

- Chairman Gerentine called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM

MOTION NO. 1 **Approving the Minutes of September 17, 2014 and September 23, 2014**

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve the Minutes of September 17, 2014, and September 23, 2014

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney
Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: September 17, 2014 Minutes - Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano
September 23, 2014 Minutes - Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: September 17, 2014 Minutes – 7
September 23, 2014 Minutes - 7

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 2: Resolution No.343 – October 21, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 343** - Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 11 of 2014 (A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 10 Of 2008 (A Local Law Adopting An Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, State Of New York), To Provide Status Of Contract Negotiations) To Be Held On Tuesday, November 18, 2014 At 7:00 PM

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

Motion Made to Amend the Resolution – amendment was made to have update on contracts be filed with the clerk of the legislature.

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

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Amendment Carried

Discussion: Legislator Bartels spoke regarding the amendment and the purpose of it. Legislator Provenzano asked Legislator Ronk what he was looking for in terms of the status update of the contracts in the resolution. He said it was in Seciton 2. Legislator Provenzano asked if the status of “we haven’t made an agreement” would be recognized as a status update. Legislator Ronk said that may very well be the status update. He went on to say that this isn’t about our current Executive he just desires it to be a requirement. Legislator Rodriguez asked Legislator Ronk if this is the same as what was discussed in a committee six years ago. Legislator Ronk said he believes it is word for word. Legislator Rodriguez said he would like to verify that it is the same and would like to see the minutes.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, (Rodriguez withheld his vote until he verified the minutes)

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 3: **Resolution No.351 – October 21, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 351** - Authorizing A Public Hearing as Required For Ulster County’s Housing Rehabilitation And Disaster Relief Program Funded Through the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) And Administered By The Office Of Community Renewal – Department Of Planning

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

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 4: **Resolution No.355 – October 21, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Postpone Resolution No. 355** - Appropriating Funds From The District Attorney Forfeiture Account - Amending The 2014 Ulster County Budget – Ulster County District Attorney’s Office

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

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked what the funds are being used for. Legislator Briggs said they did not vote on it because they requested similar information. Legislator Gerentine mentioned holding it until Laws and Rules received their information.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Postponed

Motion No. 5: Resolution No.356 – October 21, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 356 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute Inter-Municipal Agreements For The STOP DWI Crackdowns High Visibility Enforcement Program - Amending The 2014 Ulster County Budget – Department Of Probation, Division Of STOP-DWI

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

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 6: Resolution No.357 – October 21, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 357 - Authorizing The Appropriation Of Funds From The Saugerties Summer Festival Revenue Account For Reimbursement Of Expenses - Amending The 2014 Ulster County Budget – Ulster County Sheriff’s Office

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Motion Made to Amend the Resolution – amendment was made to adjust the names of the revenue lines.

Motion to Amend Made By: Legislator Gerentine

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Amendment Carried

Discussion: Legislator Gerentine explained the amendment. Legislator Rogdriguez asked why it is being broken down into two areas. No

one being present from the Sheriff's department the fiscal analyst stated it is most likely for accounting purposes he is breaking down revenue lines to be more clear.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 7: Resolution No.358 – October 21, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 358** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For Overtime Reimbursement – Ulster County Sheriff

Motion Made By: Legislator Provenzano
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 8: Resolution No.359 – October 21, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 359** - Amending the 2014 Ulster County Budget To Include Additional Funding From The New York State Office For The Aging – Office For The Aging

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8

**No. of Votes Against
Disposition:** 0
Carried

Motion No. 9: **Resolution No.360 – October 21, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 360** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Inter-Municipal Shared Services Agreement With The Town Of Woodstock For Maintenance Of County Roads – Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)

Motion Made By: Legislator Maloney
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Provenzano

Discussion: Legislator Maloney asked how many towns are in the program. Ken Crannell said he would get that information.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 10: **Resolution No.361 – October 21, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 361** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Inter-Municipal Shared Services Agreement With The Town Of Shandaken For Maintenance Of County Roads – Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)

Motion Made By: Legislator Rodriguez
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Provenzano

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 11: Resolution No.362 – October 21, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 362** - Authorizing The Ulster County Commissioner Of Finance To Accept Redemption Offers Relative To Payment Of Real Property Taxes In The 2012 In Rem Foreclosure Proceeding – Department Of Finance

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: Ken Crannell explained that this resolution starts the auctioning process.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 12: Resolution No.363 – October 21, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Postpone Resolution No. 363** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Settlement Agreement And Release Between HealthAlliance Hospital Mary's Avenue Campus, Benedictine LaSalle Medical Office, LLC, The City Of Kingston, The Kingston City School District And The County Of Ulster

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: Legislator Briggs stated in Economic Development they did not act on it because they did not know if the amount was an agreed amount or the total amount owed. Legislator Provenzano quoted the resolution in regards to the settlement section. Legislator Bartels asked if they could get debriefed. Vicky Fabella stated Clint Johnson is working on this from the Attorney's office and it was her understanding there was no money lost. Legislator Rodriguez quoted the supporting documentation, section E, explaining the payment and what it may have been in regards to. Legislator Bartels requested all information that went to Legislator Briggs committee to be forwarded to this committee. sd

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Postponed

Motion No. 13: Resolution No.364 – October 21, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 364** - Accepting The Accounting Of Unpaid School Taxes For The 2014-2015 School Year, Directing Payment To The School Districts And Directing Re-Levying Pursuant To The Real Property Tax Law – Department Of Finance

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maios

Discussion: Legislator Rodriguez asked why the financial impact was listed as none. Legislator Provenzano said can it be listed as anticipated in the future.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 14: Resolution No.365 – October 21, 2014

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 365** - Amending The 2014-2019 Capital Program and Capital Project No. 370, STRIVE – SUNY Ulster Satellite Campus, To Include The Costs of Construction – Department Of Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Provenzano

Motion Made to Amend the Resolution – amendment was made to add the dollar amounts associated with the project.

Motion to Amend Made By: Legislator Rodriguez
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Amendment Carried

Discussion: Legislator Gerentine requested that Chris White explain this resolution. Chris White explained the project in detail including the revenues and contract agencies that have been selected. He gave a total figure of 7.8 million for cost including a 7.5% contingency fund. He stated 25 firms have bid on this. Legislator Maloney asked about the college leasing back the space and where the levy would fall on. Chris White explained about some of the programs at the college and how they are positively being affected. Legislator Gerentine requested the contracts be sent to Cappy and Erica. Legislator Belfiglio asked if there are any mechanicals that are green. Chris White explained the green features in detail.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 15: **Resolution No.369 – October 21, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Postpone Resolution No. 369 - Amending The Indigent Veteran Burial Policy To Equalize the Reimbursement Rates For Burial And Cremation Services**

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Rodriguez

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked about direct cremation staying the same, and asked if the underlying language was the only amendment. Legislator Provenzano explained prior to amending resolution that it was brought to her attention that a full body burial and a cremation with services were paid different amounts. She felt this change would prevent the picking of a service strictly on price. Legislator Bartels brought up a point regarding schedule A of the resolution and how it did not mention the family of the service members. Counsel stated they agreed with Legislator Bartels.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Postponed

Motion No. 16: **Resolution No.379 – October 21, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 379** - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Lighttower Fiber Networks II, LLC f/k/a HV Datatnet LLC – Department Of Information Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Provenzano

Discussion: Sylvia Wohlfahrt spoke regarding the resolution she explained the sets of people who were taken on and off the network. In the past she said the did a cooperative bid with Boces and it made a significant savings so she is trying the end date with this contract with Boces. Legislator Briggs said his concern is that if we didn't bid this out how do we know we had a savings. Sylvia explained the prices are on NYS contract and they do plan on bidding it out with Boces. It was discussed that the financial impact listed on the resolution should not all be listed for 2014. Legislator Belfiglio, said that Boces has tremendous purchasing power and that last year when the county bid with Boces there was a significant savings. Legislator Bartels requested the financial impact be adjusted on the resolution.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 17: **To Recess Meeting**

Text of Motion: **Motion made to Recess until after the Public Hearing.**

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

Recessed at: **6:00pm**

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Carried

Meeting Called Back to order by Chairman Gerentine at 6:20pm.

Motion No. 18: **Resolution No.372 – October 21, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 372** - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Lime Energy Co. – Department Of Public Works

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

Discussion: Legislator Gerentine stated this is a contract regarding the energy efficiency program and Central Hudson. Legislator Bartels spoke about the presentation in their meetings and how it will pay itself back fully in 18 months. Ken Crannell spoke saying this makes the plan for green energy net neutral. Legislator Bartels said that the bulbs have a 10 year life guarantee.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 19: **Resolution No.373 – October 21, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Postpone Resolution No. 373** - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – UC Economic Development Alliance, Inc. – Department Of Planning

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

Discussion: Legislator Rodriguez spoke stating he has a lot of concerns regarding this. He said still to today we do not have an accounting of the 300,000 that was rolled over to this committee. Legislator Maio stated she agreed 100% with Hector but, it is October and they have already provided the service so now our hands are

forced. Legislator Rodriguez went on to explain more about the \$300,000 and his concerns regarding it. Legislator Bartels said she woke like to see the scope of work regarding this contract and what we are spending \$150,000 on. Legislator Gerentine stated Erica Guerin has brought all that has been said to his attention prior to the meeting tonight. Ken Crannell said there has been a tremendous amount of work that has been done. Legislator Maloney explained how this is in regard to a marketing plan. Legislator Bartels wanted to clarify what the \$150,000 is going towards whether it is going to focus media or not. Legislator Ronk asked if we be prudent to send this back to committee. Erica Guerin spoke regarding the contracts and what is supposed to be done.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Postponed

Motion No. 20: **Resolution No.374 – October 21, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 374** - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gorman Brothers, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked when the contract was originally entered into.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 21: Resolution No.375 – October 21, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 375 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Family of Woodstock, Inc. – Department Of Social Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Provenzano

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked for the original contract dates to be listed.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 22: Resolution No.376 – October 21, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 376 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Executive Process Services LLC – Department Of Social Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Provenzano
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: Legislator Bartels wanted to know how many people bid on this contract.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 23: Resolution No.377 – October 21, 2014

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 377 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Paul Turner Construction – Ulster County Community College

Motion Made By: Legislator Provenzano
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: Legislator Rodriguez asked what 100% other means in terms of the revenue streams. Ken Crannel said that there are no County dollars included.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 24: **Resolution No.378 – October 21, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 378** - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Resource Systems Group, Inc. – Department Of Planning

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 25: **Resolution No.380 – October 21, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 380** - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Westchester Community Opportunity Program, Inc. – Employment and Training

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 26: **Resolution No.381 – October 21, 2014**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 381** - Establishing And Reporting The Standard Work Day For Elected And Appointed Officials

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

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, Provenzano, Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 8
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

New Business

- **Legislator Gerentine spoke about Auditors for next year and we should look into them in early January. Also, that the CAFR was submitted on time.**
- **Legislator Gerentine stated the Comptroller has requested that the money he has in contingency be removed from contingency so he can hire a firm to audit an area. This will be discussed in the future.**

Old Business

There being no further business before the Committee, a motion was made by Legislator Maio, seconded by Legislator Belfiglio and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 pm.

Dated the 23rd day of October, 2014
Donald J. Quesnell, Fiscal Analyst
Minutes Approved On: November 12, 2014_