

Economic Development, Tourism, Housing, Planning & Transit Committee

Committee Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: October 3, 2016 – 6:00 PM
LOCATION: Legislative Chambers
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chairman James F. Maloney
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Mary Beichert, Senior Legislative Employee
PRESENT: Legislators Berky, Delaune, Lapp Litts, Maio & Rodriguez
ABSENT: None
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Sylvia Wohlfahrt, Information Services Director, Kathy Nolan of Ulster County Trails Advisory Community & Ulster County Tourism Advisory Committee, Vic Melville, League of Woman Voters, Planning Director Dennis Doyle, Deputy County Executive Ken Crannell & Chris White of Planning Department.

Chairman Maloney called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Chairman Maloney thanked everyone for attending the meeting.
Pledge Allegiance

Motion No. 1: Moved to Approve the Minutes of the September 6, 2016 Meeting

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

Discussion:
None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Berky, Delaune, Lapp Litts, Maio, Maloney & Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Minutes approved

Resolutions for the October 18, 2016 Session of the Legislature

Resolution No. 403: Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Second Supplemental Agreement, And Any Amendments Thereto, With The City Of New York And The West Of The Hudson Stakeholders, Modifying the 2010 Water Supply Permit Thereby Enabling The City Of New York To Fund A City Of New York Flood Buyout Program As Provided For In The Filtration Avoidance Determination Midterm Revisions With Fewer Restrictions In Participating Municipalities- Department of Planning

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the Chairman of the Legislature to execute a Second Supplemental Agreement among the West of the Hudson Watershed Stakeholders concerning the New York City Funded Flood Buyout Program.

Motion No. 2: **Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 403**
Motion By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts

Discussion:

Dennis Doyle apologized for not making last month’s meeting. This agreement provides funding for the DEP to acquire lands in the Watershed that normally they cannot buy. There is a restriction in the MOA (Memorandum Agreement) between The City and the Catskill Watershed Towns that does not allow this to occur. This resolution will secure the purchase of these lands. In addition, it provides supplementary work to be done to deal with some of the issues that have been facing these towns. All towns in Ulster County support the work that is being done. It is entirely DEP funds. There will be no federal funds. Legislator Rodriguez inquired about encroaching on other lands. Dennis stated this agreement will do the opposite and will give flexibility within The Watershed to use DEP money and also provide relocation expenses for businesses.

Legislator Delaune asked about eminent domain to which Dennis stated “absolutely not, these are willing seller and willing buyer and towns have to agree to the buyout”.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Berky, Delaune, Lapp Litts, Maio, Maloney & Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 426: Opposing The Detrimental Trade Policies Included In The Trans-Pacific Partnership Free Trade Agreement

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes Ulster County Legislature to call upon federal elected officials, to oppose TPP and any similar trade deals if they fail to represent the needs and requirements of local and state municipalities.

Motion No. 3: **Resolution No. 426 moved for discussion**
Motion By: Legislator Rodriguez
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Berky

Discussion:

Chairman Maloney asked if there was anyone available to speak on this resolution. Legislator Rodriguez stated this resolution is more of a statement on TPP and principles in regards to any trade agreements and the local effects. Discussion ensued.

Legislator Maloney suggested postponing one week for Thursday, October 13th.

Motion No. 4: **Motion to Postpone Resolution No. 426 for one week**

Motion By: Legislator Rodriguez

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts

Voting In Favor: Legislators Berky, Delaune, Lapp Litts, Maio, Maloney & Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 7

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Postponed

Resolution No. 427: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Barton & Loguidice DPC– Department Of Planning

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Barton & Loguidice DPC in the amount of \$154,500.00 to expand the scope of work to include engineering review and design work for the Boiceville Trestle- Ashokan Trail Project.

Motion No. 5: **Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 427**

Motion By: Legislator Maio

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Delaune

Discussion:

Chris White stated the contract amendment just adds engineering and design to the Boiceville Bridge for the Ashokan Rail-Trail project. Originally this was excluded in hopes of being a year ahead of FEMA funds but FEMA took more than a year to get back to the Planning Department. Essentially FEMA stated “The bridge was in bad shape when it fell and they were not providing full replacement cost of a rail tressle. They need an engineer to give them the depreciated value of the structure that failed”. Mr. White stated they may not receive the full replacement cost estimated at \$4.5 – 5 million dollars but may get some funds if engineers can prove there was some utility value. There were photos taken by CMMR in 2010 of equipment being transported.

Legislature Rodriguez inquired about the date of February 2017 track removal and trail construction. Chris responded this date was the best case scenario to put out to bid. When put out to bid the tracks will be removed but when construction does happen the Planning Department will get Legislative approval. Planning Department is aware of the current policy requiring legislative approval. The warped tracks that dropped into the Esopus Creek and the bridge pieces that floated down stream will eventually be removed. This is a section that is designated as trail and within the 11.5 miles that is subject to the NYC DEP agreement and the funding is coming from DEP. The letting date was in the original contract. The only item changed in the contract was the date of having a public meeting which is projected for November.

Legislator Litts does not want information to be misconstrued that tracks will be removed by passing this resolution. Chris agreed and responded they have been very clear on this topic.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Berky, Delaune, Lapp Litts, Maio, Maloney & Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 431: 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 – Computer Professionals International – Department Of Information Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Computer Professionals International in the amount \$30,000.00 to extend the term of the agreement and increase available funding for technical computer services.

Motion No. 6: **Resolution No. 431 moved for discussion**
Motion By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts

Discussion:

Sylvia Wohlfahrt stated this is a retainer contract used to augment staff and is used for server and infrastructure. Money is put in the budget every year. Computer Professional International has been used this calendar year.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Berky, Delaune, Lapp Litts, Maio, Maloney & Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 432: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Trapeze Software Group Inc– Department Of Information Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Trapeze Software Group Inc. in the amount of \$62,517.00 to increase the available funding for maintenance and support of the NOVUS fleet routing system and changing services to move to a tablet based system.

Motion No. 7: **Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 432**
Motion By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Rodriguez

Discussion:

Sylvia Wohlfahrt stated this is software that is used by area transit to do their bus routes. Currently inside the buses are multi-data terminals to track and schedule pick-ups. These terminals were purchased about 8 years ago and are difficult to get new parts. Instead of spending thousands of

dollars for 33 new terminals the tablets will be used instead and will do the same process. Tablets were .99 cents each through special promotion.

Legislature Rodriguez asked about the \$62,000 per year and Sylvia replied it includes maintenance for software and apps for tablets. The application also does bus routing and scheduling. Fully integrated system. Discussion ensued.

Legislator Berky asked if there were other competitors and Sylvia stated that RFP's had gone out about 5 years ago. Portions are also federally funded.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Berky, Delaune, Lapp Litts, Maio, Maloney & Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 433: 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 – BlueStorm Technologies Inc – Department Of Information Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with BlueStorm Technologies Inc. in the amount of \$15,000.00 to extend the terms of the agreement for Lotus Notes and Domino systems support.

Motion No. 8: Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 433
Motion By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts

Discussion:

Sylvia Wohlfahrt stated this is the second of the department's retainer contracts for staff augmentation. This vendor is assisting the switch over of Office 365.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Berky, Delaune, Lapp Litts, Maio, Maloney & Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
Votes in Favor: 7
Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 434: 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 – Essex Technology Group Inc – Department Of Information Services

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Essex Technology Group Inc. - in the amount of \$15,000.00 to extend the term of the agreement for various software and hardware support.

Motion No. 9: Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 434

Motion By: Legislator Maio

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Litts

Discussion:

Sylvia Wohlfahrt stated this is the third of the department's retainer agreements and this vendor is used to maintain the operating systems for the servers used for the Sheriff Department.

Legislator Rodriguez asked if there was specialized equipment over in the Sheriff's Department. Sylvia stated this money is used on as needed basis and yes there is specialized equipment in the Sheriff's Department and it will be replaced over the next few years.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Berky, Delaune, Lapp Litts, Maio, Maloney & Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 7

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 437: Appointing Member To The Ulster County Planning Board – Village of Ellenville

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes Johanna Winer to be appointed to the Ulster County Planning Board.

Motion No. 10: Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 437

Motion By: Legislator Maio

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Berky

Discussion:

No Discussion

Voting In Favor: Legislators Berky, Delaune, Lapp Litts, Maio, Maloney & Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 7

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Resolution No. 438: Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Extend A Cost Reimbursement Agreement With The SUNY New Paltz Student Association To Provide Public Transit Service For The New Paltz Area – Department Of Public Transportation (UCAT)

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes an extension of a cost reimbursement agreement with SUNY New Paltz Student Association to provide public transit service for New Paltz area – UCAT.

Motion No. 11: **Moved to Adopt Resolution No. 438**

Motion By: Legislator Rodriguez

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Delaune

Discussion:

Dennis Doyle stated that this an extension of the current agreement for weekend service.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Berky, Delaune, Lapp Litts, Maio, Maloney & Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 7

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Adopted

Old Business:

- Discussion of Resolution No. 170 - Re- Authorizing the Update of the County-Wide Economic Development Strategy Ulster Tomorrow
- Discussion of Resolution No. 326 - Establishing A Policy For Ulster County Bus Advertising

Motion No. 12: **Motion to Postpone Resolution Nos. 170 & 326**

Motion By: Legislator Rodriguez

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion:

Chairman Maloney asked Legislator Rodriguez about tabling Resolution 170 to which Legislator Rodriguez responded yes and tabling Resolution 326 as well.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Berky, Delaune, Lapp Litts, Maio, Maloney & Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

Votes in Favor: 7

Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Resolution Postponed

There being no further business, Legislator Litts motioned to adjourn, seconded by Legislator Maio.

Time: 6:33 PM

Respectfully submitted: Mary Beichert, Senior Legislative Employee

Minutes Approved: November 9, 2016