



Ulster County Legislature

Standing Committee Meeting Minutes

October 2013

Economic Development and Tourism
Environmental, Energy & Technology
Law Enforcement & Public Safety
Laws & Rules, Governmental Services
Legislative Programs, Education & Community Services
Public Works & Capital Projects
Social Services
Ways & Means

Economic Development & Tourism Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: October 9, 2013/6:00 PM
LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building
PRESIDING OFFICER: James Maloney, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Frank Reggero, Senior Legislative Employee
PRESENT: Legislators Maloney, Loughran (Arrived @ 6:10 p.m.), Wishnick and Roberts
ABSENT: Legislator Maio
EXCUSED: None
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Kathy Nolan

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

MOTIONS:

MOTION NO. 1
TEXT OF MOTION: RESOLVED to approve the September 10, 2013 Meeting Minutes
MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Roberts
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Wishnick
ROLL CALL VOTE: No
VOTING IN FAVOR: Legislators Maloney, Loughran, Wishnick, and Roberts
VOTING AGAINST: None
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: 4
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: 0
DISPOSITION: Motion Passes

MOTION NO. 1
TEXT OF MOTION: RESOLUTION No. 258 – October 22, 2013
RESOLVED to approve Resolution No.258 – Amending The 2013 Ulster County Budget To Accept Additional Funding Under The Workforce Investment Act, National Emergency Grant and Trade Adjustment Assistance Funding – Department of Employment and Training

Resolution Summary: Resolution Submitted on behalf of the Department of Employment and Training (OET) requesting that the 2013 Ulster County Budget be amended to accept additional funding totaling \$139,095.00 under the Federal Workforce Investment Act (\$56,967.00 CFDA #'s 17.258, 17.259 and 17.278), national Emergency Grant (\$58,452.00 CFDA # 17.277) and Trade Adjustment Assistance funding (\$23,676.00 CFDA #17.245). The OET will use the additional funds to subsidize occupational skills and on-the-job training services which will be provided through the end of 2013.

DISCUSSION: Legislator Wishnick inquired as the presence of Nancy Schaefer to which Committee Chairman Maloney noted for the record that an invitation to attend had been extended but that she was not present.

MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Roberts
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Maloney
ROLL CALL VOTE: No
VOTING IN FAVOR: Legs. Maloney, Wishnick, Loughran and Roberts
VOTING AGAINST: None
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: 4
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: 0
DISPOSITION: Motion Passed Unanimously

MOTION NO. 2
TEXT OF MOTION:

RESOLUTION No. 259 – October 22, 2013

RESOLVED to approve Resolution No. 259 – Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Employment Network Agreement Under A Social Security Administration Blanket Purchase Agreement – Department Of Employment And Training

Resolution Summary:

Resolution Submitted on behalf of the Department of Employment and Training (OET) requesting OET to renew their participation as an Employment Network contractor under a Blanket Purchase Agreement. The OET had previously entered into an Employment Network Agreement with the Social Security Administration to provide employment and training services to recipients of Supplemental Security Income and Social Security disability Insurance (SSDI) with the intent to move beneficiaries from benefits to self-sufficiency. OET was entitled to benchmark payments as an Employment Network contractor from the Social Security Administration based upon the type and number of instances of assistance provided to SSI and SSDI recipients in an effort to guide them to employment and self-sufficiency. The Blanket Agreement is valid for a term of ten years. The Director of the OET requested that the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature be authorized to sign an Employment Network Agreement under the Social Security Administration Blanket Purchase Agreement.

MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Roberts
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Wishnick

Discussion: None

ROLL CALL VOTE: No
VOTING IN FAVOR: Legs. Maloney, Loughran and Wishnick
VOTING AGAINST: None
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: 4
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: 0
DISPOSITION: Motion Passed Unanimously

Discussion:

Legislator Wishnick inquired if Deputy Crannell had planned to speak with regard to the UCDC if he had been in attendance or if Chairman Maloney was able to report. Committee Chairman Maloney commented that with regard to questions previously posed by Legislator Wishnick, last year the structure with the creation by the budget of the Office of Business Services moved both the UCDC and IDA (who had contracted with the County for their administration) were effectively moved in that Department. Chairman Maloney suggested attendance to future meetings. Legislator Wishnick reflected that both Chairman Maloney and Legislator Loughran sit as members of the Board by virtue of being Chairman and Vice-Chairman, respectively, of the Economic Development and Tourism Committee. Chairman Maloney countered that it wasn't the original plan - that when the Board of Directors of the UCDC was comprised of about 15-20 members that voted to re-organized, there was a battle to insure that the Legislature was represented with two seats. Legislator Wishnick concurred but wished information be shared with the Economic Development and Tourism Committee and that when meetings of the UCDC and the IDA had taken place, the Committee be provided with an update of the policies, issues, directions, etc. that the sitting Legislators were privileged to and would be beneficial to the remaining members of the Committee. Chairman Maloney stated that as a first step going forward, Frank would be putting on the e-mail copy list of all of the minutes (and agendas), that would be in turn forwarded to all of the Committee members.

Secondly, Legislator Wishnick asked if there was any representation for the Legislature on the IDA to which Chairman Maloney responded that the IDA was solely appointed by the Legislature which was to operate independently from the Legislature. Legislator Wishnick asked, short of appointing members to the IDA, what role could the Legislature play in making a recommendation for change in how the IDA operates. Legislator Roberts inquired if there was a particular change that Legislator Wishnick would like to occur to which Legislator Wishnick responded that yes, with regard to the IDA policy for approval of pilots or other incentives, a requirement be included to have a local government affirmatively endorse the project for it to be approved. Legislator Wishnick indicated that it was his intent to introduce a resolution to that effect, to which Chairman Maloney replied that research on whether a resolution would affect that policy would be appropriate. Discussion ensued between Legislator Roberts, Wishnick and Chairman Maloney on varying aspects of

the issue which included what would be in the best interests of the people and whether a comprehensive economic plan was in place and approved by the local governmental agencies; that the project may be a good idea but the Town was unwilling to assume the reduction in taxes. Chairman Maloney suggested that the matter be addressed at the next meeting (following Wednesday at 8:00 a.m.). Legislator Wishnick reiterated that he would like to submit a resolution to provide home rule veto power to which Chairman Maloney stated that, if passed, the agency didn't necessary need to abide by.

There being no further business before the Committee, a motion was made by Legislator Roberts, seconded by Legislator Wishnick, and carried to adjourn the Meeting at 6:16 PM.

Dated the 30th Day of October, 2013

Lisa K. Mance, Legislative Employee, Ulster County Legislature

Minutes Approved on: November 7, 2013

Environmental, Energy, & Technology Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: October 10, 2013, 5:45 PM

LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, COB, Kingston, NY

PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Carl Belfiglio

LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Krista J. Barringer, Deputy Clerk

PRESENT: Legislators Tracey Bartels, Craig Lopez (arrived 5:53 PM), Mary Wawro (arrived 5:55 PM), and Kenneth Wishnick

EXCUSED: None

QUORUM PRESENT: Yes

OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislative Counsel Langdon Chapman, RRA Executive Director Tim Rose, and League of Women Voters President Dare Thompson.

Chair Belfiglio called the meeting to order at 5:47 PM.

MOTION NO. 1 Approval of Minutes from September 12, 2013

Motion Made By: Legislator Lopez

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Wawro

Discussion:

Initially, Chair Belfiglio held the vote on the minutes of the September 12, 2013 meeting until the next month's meeting as there was not a quorum of members who attended that meeting to vote but this was revisited later in the meeting.

Chair Belfiglio called for discussion and hearing none, he called for the vote. Legislator Wishnick noted he was not in attendance at the September 12, 2013 meeting and indicated he was abstaining from the vote.

Roll Call Vote: No

Voting In Favor: Legislators Bartels, Belfiglio, Lopez, and Wawro

Voting Against: None

Abstaining from the Vote: Legislator Wishnick

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

No. of Votes in Abstentia: 1

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 2**Resolution No. 260 – October 22, 2013****Text of Motion:**

Resolved to approve Resolution No. 260 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services To Provide For The Enhancement Of Ulster County's Digital Orthoimagery Data – Department Of Information Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels for discussion

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio for discussion

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature to execute an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the New York State Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services for upgraded digital orthoimagery data in the amount of \$113,998.97 in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature, or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney.

Discussion:

Legislator Bartels noted it was great that the purchase of the upgraded maps would be 100% federally funded through a grant.

Legislator Wishnick wondered if with the available access to detailed online aerial maps, such as Google maps, the Government would be spending money on something that is already there. He asked what Ulster County would be getting for this money above what is available for free.

Chair Belfiglio felt these GIS maps would enable the County to overlay additional information.

Legislator Wishnick noted the real estate part of GIS utilizes Bing Maps.

Chair Belfiglio felt the County would need to stand by the images and the maps. Legislator Wishnick asked if these maps would provide certified copies of images. Chair Belfiglio replied these new maps would provide enhanced images for the data.

Legislator Wishnick noted with extremely detailed online imagery, the County needed to be cautious of spending given the news from Washington. He asked what the County was getting that was not available through public sources and indicated he would like more information. He noted the County Executive staff previously attended the meetings to answer these types of questions.

Legislator Bartels felt these updated photos would be high resolution photos. She noted the County website does not direct users to Google maps. Legislator Wishnick reiterated the real estate GIS system gives an option for aerial maps and when clicked on, brings up a Bing aerial image.

Chair Belfiglio requested Legislative Counsel Chapman to attempt to reach the County Executive staff to assist with the answers to these questions.

Legislator Bartels noted orthoimagery is defined by high resolution and geometrically corrected images. She felt this must ensure that the images are absolutely accurate in the overlay. She spoke of her experience with the production of aerial photography.

Legislative Counsel Chapman returned noting the County Executive's door was locked and no one responded to his knocks.

Legislator Bartels read from her internet search, "orthographic views project at a right angle to the data plane whereas prospective views project from the surface on the data plane from the given location." She felt these images provided something different than what is available online. Legislator Wishnick inquired if this offered 3-D imagery. Legislator Bartels did not think it did. Legislator Wishnick questioned right angle imagery.

Chair Belfiglio indicated staff from the County Executive's office stopped attending due to the length of the meetings.

Legislator Bartels continued to read from the internet, "An orthoimage is an aerial photograph that is geometrically corrected such that the scale is uniform. The photo has the same lack of distortion as a map. Unlike an uncorrected aerial photograph, an orthophotograph can be used to measure true distances because it is an accurate representation of the earth's surface having been adjusted for topographic relief lens distortion and camera tilt. Commonly used in the creation of GIS."

Legislator Wishnick and Bartels discussed their interpretation of this internet definition.

Chair Belfiglio felt this purchase was for a higher definition of imagery and that the Federal Government was assisting the County to move to the premium package of images.

Legislator Wishnick compared this service to an attendee taking photos at a wedding versus a wedding photographer. Chair Belfiglio concurred and discussed the changes in aerial photography technology.

Legislator Lopez clarified that this was not a purchase of equipment but rather the purchase of upgraded pictures.

Roll Call Vote:	No
Voting In Favor:	Legislators Bartels, Belfiglio, Lopez, Wawro, and Wishnick
Voting Against:	None
No. of Votes in Favor:	5
No. of Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Carried

New Business:

- None
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Old Business:

- **AppMe (Teleconference with Amit Shah and Jwilit Shah)**

Chair Belfiglio noted the discussion of a two-way communication tool at the Public Safety Advisory Committee, especially after the situation in Sandy Hook, Connecticut. He noted during this situation, the State Police disabled the cell towers as they needed to secure communications to just between the law enforcement agencies. He felt this app would be better to locate students and communicate with emergency management. Legislator Wawro noted this would not be a link to 911 which with an overwhelming response to the system could potentially shut down the system. She noted the communication at the Committee meeting indicating Red Cross may have an available resource for family members to utilize to locate loved ones.

Amit Shah noted people could still access the internet if available Wi-Fi was not disabled. Jwilit Shah indicated if there was a complete loss of cell signal, there would still be access to Wi-Fi. He noted this would be an alternative for communication outside of the cellphone service. Chair Belfiglio confirmed schools have Wi-Fi. Legislator Wishnick noted the teachers would be able to access the Wi-Fi but wondered if students would be able to access the Wi-Fi on their cell phones. Chair Belfiglio noted at the BOCES administrative office there is a guest account.

Legislator Wawro noted this would be a clearing house where individuals could check in and not an actual communication with an individual. She noted the check in would go into a database where others can confirm someone is safe. Legislator Bartels asked why, if an individual had Wi-Fi access, they would not just send a message to their family. Chair Wawro noted this would enable the individual to be tracked for safety purposes. Amit Shah noted the cell phones can receive text messages on Wi-Fi. Deputy Clerk Barringer noted in the Marlboro School lock down drill, students and teacher who could get outside the building and to safety, did and a database would enable individuals to communicate back to those that are doing the search and rescue who has left the building

and who is now safe. She noted this would be a location where people could leave a message and not a direct communication to anyone but a place where the authorities, once the building has been cleared, can review to locate anyone not accounted for. Amit Shah noted with individuals checking in their location, authorities can use the app to locate and get civilians out safely.

Legislator Wishnick felt there would be an issue getting kids to want to download the app and identify themselves to authorities. He felt a cataloging of just cellphone numbers would not identify whose child was which. He felt there might be an anti-authority/rebellious attitude to letting people know where they are. Chair Wawro noted this would only be utilized in emergencies.

Deputy Clerk Barringer noted a discussion at the last Public Safety Advisory Committee meeting of an app that would assist families, students, and anyone in the community to locate resources in the community. She indicated this might be the hook into why you would want to download the app as it would be a one-click resource tool for county-wide resources. She indicated this could all go into one app and would ensure they have the app, if and when the emergency arises and request identifying information only when needed. She compared it to Central Hudson's app which enables select features based on what the individual wants to release to the company. Chair Belfiglio stated every app requires the individual to release personal information in order to download the app. He queried how much of an infringement it would be to release this information, as people do this automatically already when downloading games, Facebook, etc. Legislator Wawro noted many people release information regarding where they are automatically.

Amit Shah noted individuals could choose the features that they wanted. He stated they could set up the app so that this feature would be separate and not logged in to any features they do not wish to utilize.

Legislator Bartels clarified this would be a new feature to the original app presented at the July Environmental, Energy, and Technology Committee meeting. Chair Belfiglio confirmed this and stated this would be a two-way communication feature.

Legislator Bartels asked if this would be strictly for school children. Chair Belfiglio stated this would be a public safety issue for all Ulster County residents similar to the see something, say something initiative. Deputy Clerk Barringer noted the law enforcement response to the Hudson Valley Mall shooting.

Chair Belfiglio discussed the real-time classroom data. He noted period by period, the schools know who is in school that day and where they are. Chair Belfiglio and Deputy Clerk Barringer noted this would not identify students who may have skipped classes, emergencies occurring between periods, or those going to the bathroom, the nurse, or the office. He suggested tying this into the school's system.

Legislator Wawro noted parents are paying for the cell phones and if they were requiring the safety solution, the child would just have to accept it.

Legislator Lopez clarified this app would not provide a direct contact between the parent and the child. Legislator Bartels reiterated her thoughts that a child would just contact the parent directly. Amit Shah reiterated the ability of the app to send the immediate communication of individual's location which would help the police get civilians and map out a response.

Legislator Wishnick wondered about children without phones. Legislator Wawro replied they are most often with others that have cell phones and those with cell phones could report the location of others around them as well.

Chair Belfiglio reiterated this would be a smart phone Ulster County app to find out information about and services from your government with the bonus of a public safety feature, similar to an E911. Legislator Wawro noted the number of calls that would need to be fielded to track down locations and this database would not overwhelm the 911 center and keep this open for emergencies. Chair Belfiglio and Legislator Bartels questioned who this information would go to and agreed the information would need to go directly to 911. Legislator Bartels noted regardless of where it went to, it would have to be staffed and would still receive a large number of calls. Chair Belfiglio felt there would be more inquiries in a public setting than a school and families know who is at a given school building. He felt it would only need one person at a computer to take the data and compile it for use by the authorities. He indicated the app would compile that data quicker than staff answering phone calls.

Chair Belfiglio stated at the July meeting, Amit Shah estimated the cost of the app would be around \$7,000. Amit Shah stated they would have to come back to the Committee with new estimates to include the new two-way feature. Legislator Wishnick noted it would also require additional personnel at the computer. Chair Belfiglio noted the existing staff at the 911 center is typically communicating by computer with the various emergency agencies.

Legislator Bartels supported the Committee recommending the launch of the original Ulster County Legislature app. She stated a Resolution should be entered next month to move this forward and details on the added features could be worked on with Amit Shah in the future. Amit Shah noted the added feature would increase the cost. Legislator Bartels reiterated she was recommending a phase in of the App based on the Legislature bringing out the first phase as originally discussed. Amit Shah concurred that the two-way feature could be added in the future but that it may make sense to do them both together. Legislator Bartels replied they would need to know more about the cost, more understanding of how it would work and felt it would be a lot of work on the County's side to roll it out together. She felt the second phase would require a lot of work with the

Community to implement. Legislator Wawro felt it would be good to have a base to build on. Chair Belfiglio discussed the NIXLE app.

Amit Shah noted the app would be very user friendly with a smooth, clean interface.

Legislator Wishnick asked if the schools had been giving input on the concept and noted there would need to be by in from the schools before moving ahead with the second phase. Legislator Wawro noted the schools were invited but did not send representatives to the Committee. Committee members discussed schools interactions with the Legislature over the last year.

Chair Belfiglio concurred with Legislator Bartels proposal to move forward with an Ulster County Legislature app and possibility seeks to include the Executive Branch in the future. He noted the Legislature is a small part of Ulster County. He felt to put out the resources of the County should be done with the full confidence of the Executive Branch. He noted it was public information but felt the partnership would be preferred.

Legislator Wishnick asked how the success of the app would be judged. Chair Belfiglio and Legislator Bartels concurred it would be based on the number of people who download the app. Legislator Wishnick felt not downloading the app would not be an indicator of how good the app would be for the public safety situation. He stated a lot of people do not know what the Legislature does and do not want to know either. Chair Belfiglio replied then they would not download the app. Legislator Wishnick noted then they would not be able to measure whether the approach of two-way communication is a success or failure. Chair Belfiglio noted the possible use of the app to notify the community when and what committee meetings are occurring. Amit Shah noted a frequent community complaint about government meetings is the public not knowing when they are and what the discussions will be. He noted this is done as a push notification to which individuals would click after reading it. Chair Belfiglio noted the Legislative Clerk posts on Facebook and Twitter the Resolutions and their vote count during the general meeting. He asked if there would be an interface to allow the Legislature to start with it's own app and expand on it's own to include the Executive, without having to go to back to the developers. Amit Shah stated this depended on the initial design of the app. He indicated the other branches may want to push out their own material. He stated if the other branch was to have it's own feature in the mobile app, it would have to be added as a feature. He suggested adding this additional feature in the app to allow people to select the features that they want.

Legislator Bartels asked if there is existing mobile app for schools to announce school closings. Chair Belfiglio indicated there was. Deputy Clerk Barringer replied the schools send out notices via phone calls and emails. Chair Belfiglio concurred with a smart phone, people are still receiving the notice.

Chair Belfiglio requested Amit Shah provide to the Committee three proposals, one which is just a Legislative app, one with a multiple layered app between the Executive

and the Legislative Branch and the final with the additional public safety feature that can be added in the future. Amit Shah clarified the only item to include in the Legislature's mobile app is the ability to push out messages. Chair Belfiglio also indicated the app would include searchable data. Amit Shah clarified the Legislative only proposal would be based on the features as originally proposed. Legislator Wishnick asked about the ability to poll. Amit Shah confirmed this would include surveying. Legislator Bartels concurred this would be based on the original presentation.

Amit Shah confirmed these same features would be established for the Legislative/Executive proposal. Committee members concurred. Amit Shah noted if there features were the same but for different branches, they would not need to have different sections. He stated the same features could be used by the different branches. He indicated all would have logins for the web application and then push out the information through the same console. Chair Belfiglio noted each branch would have different input portal. Amit Shah agreed they may have different logins but that on the user side, it would not indicate which branch was pushing the information. He noted if it was a survey, it would just be the survey.

Legislator Wishnick asked if the results of the survey could be tabulated in such a way that they could know the municipality from which they were responding. Amit Shah replied this would be done on the administrative console and would organize the data based on the registration data. He noted the surveys could be targeted to specific registration data.

League of Women Voters President Thompson expressed a concern of the elimination of the voices for those that do not have phones and noted this proposal assumes the greater population has a smart phone. Legislator Wawro asked if the app would be accessible through the internet. Legislator Wishnick asked if the information could be sent via email to those who do not have mobile phones. Amit Shah noted the information could be pushed out in a newsletter format in an email. He noted this could reduce the interactive communication based on the email provider.

Legislator Wishnick offered a hypothetical question of asking the general population if they supported the placement of a landfill in X community via phone and email and asked if email responders answers can be tabulated in the total responders for the survey. Amit Shah replied the newsletter would be sent out in parallel and within the email there would be a link that recipients of the email would have to click on to answer the question.

Committee members discussed with League of Women Voters President Thompson society's computer access and participation. Chair Belfiglio noted the Legislature posts the Resolutions that it will be voting on and although there is currently not a survey option, people can come to the Legislative meeting and voice it's opinion on it during public comment. He felt the app could be expanded to allow polling and the public safety option would need to be explored legally but felt the Committee could start with a

basic app. Legislator Wawro stated she would bring back from the law enforcement and Public Safety Advisory Committee what they are specifically looking for. She noted they are still vetting information on this proposal.

Old Business:

- **New York City Filtration Avoidance Determination (FAD) Public Hearing**

Chair Belfiglio indicated the Committee's Public Hearing on New York City's Filtration Avoidance Determination was very successful. He stated the reservations made and appointments received from the Town and elected officials. He noted he was not sure of the decorum in a public hearing but that the County Executive issued a statement after Congressman Gipson's representative announced the consent order. He noted the County Executive was pulling the press from their public hearing to have press conferences with the County Executive and that he did not want to be a part of the public hearing.

Legislator Wishnick asked if the announcement on the consent order addressed the issues. Chair Belfiglio replied it does not address the turbid water releases. He stated the public hearing was only on the FAD document and that the County Executive had held a public hearing on the consent order last year. He noted the comments from the public at this public hearing are only on the FAD as the consent order had not been released prior. He stated the Environmental, Energy, and Technology Committee would need to establish their position to be included with the transcripts of the hearing to the New York State Health Department. Legislator Bartels noted there were only a few days to do this to which Chair Belfiglio replied there had been an extension given to the deadline of submissions, specifically November 15th.

Legislator Wawro noted at the public hearing, one presenter, a lawyer, commented the Article 78 would not be successful but that they should follow-up with what he did feel would be successful. Legislator Bartels concurred with this noting she agreed to follow-up with him on this item. She indicated she would do so and report back to the Committee.

Old Business:

- **Climate Smart Committee (For Discussion Purposes Only)**

Discussion:

Chair Belfiglio noted the Climate Smart Committee discussion was delayed to next month.

Old Business:

▪ RRA Communications

Discussion:

Legislator Bartels inquired as to any update to the email communications with RRA Board Chairman Leon Smith. Chair Belfiglio stated the draft amendment had been forwarded to RRA Attorney Ken Gilligan and to date there has been no response.

RRA Executive Director Rose announced the next RRA Board Meeting would be on October 21st and they would be holding a public hearing on the 2014 budget at 12:00 on Tuesday, October 15, 2013.

Chair Belfiglio stated he was advised by Legislative Counsel to not discuss the amendment with the RRA Counsel but rather speak only with the RRA Chairman. He indicated if RRA Attorney Gilligan was holding the amendment until their next Board meeting, the progress on this was moving very slowly. He hoped the draft amendment was presented to them prior to the next Board meeting. Legislator Wishnick felt it would be okay to hold in presenting to the Board at that meeting, if it is ready to approve and if not, then felt he was delaying the process. Legislator Bartels asked if the Committee could communicate directly with the RRA Board. She wondered how much of the communication has been emotions and how much has been real information. She noted the level of emotion on something that has already passed and referenced the letter from RRA Attorney Gilligan to which he spoke about the Board rescinding a resolution authorizing the RRA Board Chair and Executive to speak with the Chair and Deputy Chair; actions that had already been completed. Chair Belfiglio noted RRA Attorney Gilligan indicated he had not received anything from County Attorney Havranek but that Legislative Counsel Chapman was in contact with RRA Attorney Gilligan prior to sending him the amendment. Legislator Bartels indicated RRA Attorney Gilligan's letter seemed to indicate the Environmental, Energy, and Technology Committee was against the idea of what they already approved and was moving forward with simply because another member of the Legislature, not on the Environmental, Energy, and Technology Committee, spoke with a member of the Board. She highlighted the hearsay aspect behind this letter.

Chair Belfiglio stated after receiving the letter, he spoke with RRA Board Chairman Smith and informed him of the Environmental, Energy, and Technology Committee's actions. He stated he asked RRA Board Chair Smith why he would bring forth a resolution to repeal the resolution passed allowing them to enter into discussion about amending the contract for a \$500,000 Bond limit approval and reported RRA Board Chair Smith response as "because we were taking too long and that we had voted down John Parete's Resolution". Chair Belfiglio stated he explained to RRA Board Chair Smith the Environmental, Energy, and Technology Committee's actions for the last three to four month to discuss the resolution and decision that they did not need to pass or bring to the floor as they had already completed the actions contained therein. He stated he reiterated the conversation he and Deputy Chair Bartels had with RRA Board Chair

Smith and RRA Executive Director Rose discussing this. He stated he inquired as to why RRA Board Chair Smith did not mention this in the Board meeting. He noted these meetings were not mentioned in the Board minutes and felt the implication that the Environmental, Energy, and Technology Committee was just coming out of left field with trying to put a kibosh on John Parete's resolution or that they do not want to do this budget amendment. He stated he explained the next step was for the RRA Attorney to share the draft amendment as received from Legislative Counsel Chapman. He noted the Legislature was not going to just develop an amendment without knowing it was legal. He stated he mentioned County Attorney Havranek was on vacation, then the County needed to speak with Bond Counsel, the answer from Bond Counsel has since been received, and the draft amendment has now been sent to the RRA. He stated RRA Board Chair Smith's response was "well, send the amendment and we will see what we will do."

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Wawro

No. of Votes in Favor: 5

No. of Votes Against: 0

TIME: 6:53 PM

Dated the 15th day of October, 2013

Krista Barringer, Deputy Clerk

Minutes Approved on: November 6, 2013

Law Enforcement & Public Safety Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: November 18, 2013 / 6:30 PM
LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building
PRESIDING OFFICER: Deputy Chairman Kenneth Ronk, Jr.
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Lisa K. Mance, Legislative Employee
PRESENT: Legislators Ronk, Belfiglio and Maio
ABSENT: Legislators Richard Parete and Thomas Briggs
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Ulster County Sheriff Paul VanBlarcum, Legislator Hector S. Rodriguez

Deputy Chairman Kenneth Ronk, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

MOTIONS:

MOTION NO. 1
TEXT OF MOTION: RESOLVED to approve the October 8, 2013 Meeting Minutes
MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Belfiglio
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Maio

DISCUSSION: Sheriff VanBlarcum noted the location of the meeting was at the Ulster County Office Building not the Law Enforcement Center. He also wanted to clarify his comments about Resolution No. 252 and wanted the minutes to clearly reflect that the part time Deputy in question did not receive benefits.

ROLL CALL VOTE: No
VOTING IN FAVOR: Legislators Ronk, Belfiglio and Maio
VOTING AGAINST: None
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: 3
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: 0
DISPOSITION: Motion passed

MOTION NO. 3
TEXT OF MOTION: RESOLUTION No. 257 – October 22, 2013
RESOLVED to approve Resolution No. 257 - Appointing a Member to the
Ulster County Fire Advisory Board
MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Belfiglio
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Briggs

RESOLUTION SUMMARY: Appointing Augustine Passante, 1 Highland Ave., Highland, NY, to the Fire Advisory Board.

DISCUSSION: Legislator Belfiglio asked if there was a resume for Augustine Passante. Deputy Clerk Tantillo noted that with appointments to this board are done via letters of

recommendation from the local jurisdiction and the Fire Advisory Board itself.
Those letters were attached.

ROLL CALL VOTE: No
VOTING IN FAVOR: Legislators Belfiglio, Maio and Briggs
VOTING AGAINST None
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: 3
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: 0
DISPOSITION: Motion passed

MOTION NO. 4 RESOLUTION No. 261 – October 22, 2013
TEXT OF MOTION: RESOLVED to approve Resolution No. 261 – Authorizing the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Counties of Orange, Rockland And Sullivan For The Purpose Of Creating A Regional Partnership For Fire/Emergency Services – Fire Coordinator
MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Belfiglio
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Maio

RESOLUTION SUMMARY: An inter-municipal contract between the Counties of Ulster, Sullivan Orange and Rockland to receive Hazmat funds in the amount of \$71,000 that will be distributed by Rockland County.

DISCUSSION: Legislator Belfiglio asked if there was anyone who could explain the details of this resolution. Sheriff VanBlarcum noted that whenever his office submits a resolution he is always sure someone will be at the meeting to explain. Deputy County Executive Robert Sudlow noted that information was submitted with the resolution request that outlined the agreement. Rockland County applied for the original grant for the four counties and they just reached an agreement on the language of the agreement. Ulster County would be receiving \$32, 270. Deputy Executive Sudlow said he would insure that the committee got a copy of the information detailing the distribution of the grant that included what would be purchased with the funding.

ROLL CALL VOTE: No
VOTING IN FAVOR: Legislators Belfiglio, Maio and Briggs
VOTING AGAINST None
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: 3
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: 0
DISPOSITION: Motion passed

(Legislator Ronk arrived at 5:53)

MOTION NO. 5 RESOLUTION No. 274 – October 22, 2013
TEXT OF MOTION: RESOLVED to approve Resolution No.274 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Department Of Probation
MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Briggs
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Ronk

RESOLUTION SUMMARY: Approval of a performance based contract with Family of Woodstock to implement Ulster County's participation in the New York State Department of Criminal Justice Services, Juvenile Justice ATD & Diversion Program in which Family of Woodstock operates a diversion program for at risk youth from age 7 to 15.

DISCUSSION: Legislator Belfiglio confirmed that the contract is for "up to" \$157,487. Family of Woodstock may not use the total amount. Deputy County Executive Robert Sudlow explained that Social Services, Probation, Family of Woodstock and the County Attorney's office work together to prevent "at risk" kids from going into very expensive placements and find less expensive alternatives. Deputy Executive Sudlow explained that the Department of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) is moving more and more programs into a performance based model with objectives they can use to measure the number of people served and the success of the outcomes. Programs are reimbursed based what has been accomplished.

ROLL CALL VOTE: No
VOTING IN FAVOR: Legislators Belfiglio, Ronk, Malo and Briggs
VOTING AGAINST: None
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: 4
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: 0
DISPOSITION: Motion passed

Legislator Belfiglio turned the Chair over to Legislator Ronk

MOTION NO. 6 Proposed Local Law No. 6 of 2013
TEXT OF MOTION: RESOLVED to reaffirm the support of Proposed Local Law No. 6 – A Local Law Of The County Of Ulster , Known as the "False Alarm Reduction Act"

MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Briggs
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Ronk

SUMMARY: Proposed Local Law No. 6 was referred back to the Law Enforcement & Public Safety Committee by the Laws and Rules Committee due to a concern about the Sheriff appointing the hearing officer.

DISCUSSION: Legislator Briggs asked if Legislator Ronk felt Proposed Local Law 6 should be amended as was suggested by the Laws and Rules Committee. Legislator Ronk said he thought the Law was fine the way it was but the Laws and Rules Committee had a question about the appeal process and who should select the hearing officer. Legislator Ronk noted that many departments appoint their own hearing officer, for example the Commissioner of Finance hears appeals of tax issues. Legislator Ronk made note of a possible amendment drawn up by Legislative Counsel Chapman that would have the County Attorney appoint an attorney of her choice as the hearing officer. Sheriff VanBlarcum questioned if there would be a cost associated with appointing an attorney as a hearing officer in this manner. There was a consensus that there would be. Sheriff VanBlarcum felt that these charges would defeat the purpose of the fines if all the revenue was used to pay hearing officers. Several options were discussed. Legislator Ronk felt that the Sheriff and anyone on his staff he would appoint to be hearing officers were in a unique position to know if the individual was a repeat offender or suffered some unique circumstances and deserved a break. Legislative Counsel Chapman said he did not have a concern about due process the way the law was written and

gave the example of a town board disciplining an employee appointing the hearing officer. Other examples and suggestions were discussed. Legislator Ronk said the County Attorney also did not see a problem with the Sheriff appointing the hearing officer. Legislator Briggs said he had no problem with the law the way it was written.

(Legislator Briggs left the meeting at 6:05)

Legislator Ronk raised a second issue with the law that he wanted to address. Legislator Ronk felt the fine should not apply if the Sheriff Department only dispatched but did not respond to the false alarm. It should only apply if the Sheriff Department dispatched someone to respond to the alarm. Legislator Ronk said some towns had concerns. Legislative Counsel Chapman asked what the town's concerns were. Legislator Ronk said it was the possibility of a dual fee/fine. Counsel Chapman said there was no problem with a dual fee. Legislator Belfiglio disagreed and felt it would not be fair for someone who triggered a fine would pay one fine in a town without a town law while someone in Esopus would pay two fines because they have a local law in Esopus. Maio suggested it might encourage them to fix the alarm twice as fast. Maio felt the fee schedule associated with the law was not aggressive and they should move ahead with the law as it is.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	No
VOTING IN FAVOR:	Legislators Ronk and Maio
VOTING AGAINST:	Legislator Belfiglio
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:	2
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:	1
DISPOSITION:	Motion failed

SHERIFF'S REPORT: (On file with the Clerk of the Legislature).

Sheriff VanBlarcum reported that revenues are on target. The number of board ins is on target but becoming very competitive because everyone is scraping for funding, Sheriff VanBlarcum feels Ulster County may have to lower the "daily rate" to attract more board ins and ask for a guarantee in the number of inmates to insure funding.

Sheriff VanBlarcum reported that his department had about \$64,000 in unanticipated revenue in 2013 from private work his office does. He emphasized that this is unanticipated revenue and was put into the general fund. Sheriff VanBlarcum plans to introduce a resolution next month to use these funds.

Undersheriff Frank Faluotico discussed a problem associated with the purchase of undercover vehicles. These vehicles are purchased with forfeiture money and are subject to the county policy on purchasing that requires vehicles are purchased on state bid. The vehicles available on state bid are too easily identified as "police" vehicles. The types of vehicles they need for undercover work need blend in. Undersheriff Faluotico felt it may be necessary to change the county policy to facilitate the purchase of more appropriate undercover vehicles when using forfeiture money. Additionally, it would be appropriate to give the Sheriff authority to choose what vehicles rather than list the vehicles in a public document.

OLD BUSINESS:

Legislator Belfiglio discussed the City of Kingston's plans to buy traffic cameras for intersections / traffic enforcement and asked the Sheriff if Ulster County had plans to do the same. There was a brief discussion about New York State population requirements for such a program.

Legislator Belfiglio asked about placement of Sex Offenders and discussed constituent's concerns. Sheriff VanBlarcum said his department had no input into where they are placed but is very proactive on keeping an

eye on them. Sheriff VanBlarcum spoke about the ongoing problem when inmates are released from State Prison and he gets a notice that should list their address but simply says "DSS". No one lives at DSS. The State releases them and has no idea where they go. His office is very proactive but this is another mandate on the Sheriff's office.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

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 6:25 P.M.

Dated the 22th Day of October, 2013

Fawn A. Tantillo, Deputy Clerk

Minutes Approved: November 18, 2013

Laws and Rules, Governmental Services Committee

Committee Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: October 21, 2013 / 6:00 PM
LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, NY
PRESIDING OFFICER: Kevin Roberts, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Franklin R. Reggero
PRESENT: Legislators Roberts, Fabiano, Donaldson and Ronk.
ABSENT: Legislators Loughran, Maio, R. Parete.
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Victor Melville, League of Women Voters; Patricia Doxsey, Daily Freeman.

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

I. RESOLUTIONS:

MOTION NO. 1 Resolution No. 239 –October 22, 2013

TEXT OF MOTION: **Resolution No. 239** - Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2013, A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 5 of 1989 (A Local Law Requiring Regulations Regarding The Sale Of Motor Vehicle Fuels) To Establish Certain Consumer Protection Practices In Ulster County.

Resolution Summary: Proposed Local Law #3 is hereby adopted by the Ulster County Legislature, and, pending the approval of the County Executive.

MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Ronk
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Fabiano

DISCUSSION: **Chairman Roberts** recognized **Legislator Donaldson** who stated that he is dissatisfied that this Local Law has been watered down from its original version and does not protect the consumers as intended. **Legislator Fabiano** stated he supports a Law that would require gas stations to display both cash and credit prices.

Chairman Roberts recognized **Legislator Ronk** who stated that he does not agree with **Legislator Donaldson**. **Legislator Ronk** further stated that he supports home rule which allows the local municipalities to decide how signs should be displayed.

Chairman Roberts motioned to postpone the resolution until a full committee is present to debate the issues, seconded by Legislator Fabiano unanimous committee consent.

Chairman Roberts called for further discussion, hearing none.

DISPOSITION: Motion Postponed

MOTION NO. 2

Resolution No. 256 – October 22, 2013

TEXT OF MOTION:

Resolution No. 256 - Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 8 of 2013, A Local Law Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, State Of New York To Delete Language As A Result Of The Amended Charter Language, To Be Held On Tuesday, November 19, 2013 At 7:00 PM.

Resolution Summary:

Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday, November 19, 2013 at 7:00 PM in the Legislative Chambers, Ulster County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, New York.

MOTION MADE BY:

Legislator Ronk

MOTION SECONDED BY:

Legislator Fabiano

DISCUSSION:

Chairman Roberts recognized Legislator Donaldson who stated that he has spoken to the County Attorney and is satisfied with the changes.

Chairman Roberts called for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

No

VOTING IN FAVOR:

Legislators Roberts, Donaldson, Fabiano and Ronk

VOTING AGAINST:

None.

NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:

4

NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:

0

DISPOSITION:

Motion Passed

MOTION NO. 3

LATE Resolution No. 275 – October 22, 2013

TEXT OF MOTION:

LATE Resolution No. 275 - Authorizing Reimbursement To The State For The Cost Of Conducting A Special Session Of The New York State Assembly, Not To Exceed \$75,000.

Resolution Summary:

Ulster County Legislature hereby authorizes the Ulster County Commissioner of Finance to reimburse the State of New York for the expenses associated with conducting a Special Session of the New York State Assembly prior to November 30, 2013, not to exceed \$75,000.00, to consider unfinished business including honoring Ulster County's Home Rule Request through passage of Assembly Bill No. A.5130.

MOTION MADE BY:

Legislator Ronk

MOTION SECONDED BY:

Legislator Loughran

DISCUSSION:

Chairman Roberts recognized **Legislator Ronk** who stated that he would sponsor a resolution during the budget process if this resolution is adopted by the Legislature.

Legislator Donaldson stated that he does not support this resolution and votes in the negative.

Chairman Roberts called for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

No

VOTING IN FAVOR:

Legislators Roberts, Fabiano

VOTING AGAINST:

Legislators Donaldson and Ronk.

NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:

2

NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:

2

DISPOSITION:

Motion Failed

II. DISCUSSION

Chairman Roberts recognized **Legislator Ronk** who asked the Committee to consider Charter changes that would address the Sales Tax Exemption status.

Chairman Roberts recognized **Legislator Donaldson** who motioned to adjourn with 3 in favor and **Legislator Ronk** opposed, motion failed.

Legislator Donaldson left the room, leaving insufficient committee members for a quorum. **Chairman Roberts** stated no further committee business can be conducted due to the lack of a quorum at 6:17 PM.

Dated the 21st day of October, 2013
Franklin R. Reggero, Sr. Legislative Employee
Minutes Approved on: December 16, 2013/ frr

Laws and Rules, Governmental Services Committee

Committee Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: October 22, 2013 / 6:45 PM
LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, NY
PRESIDING OFFICER: Kevin Roberts, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Franklin R. Reggero
PRESENT: Legislators Roberts, Fabiano, Donaldson, Loughran, R. Parete and Ronk.
ABSENT: Legislators Maio
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Deputy County Executive Crannell; Victor Melville, League of Women Voters; Patricia Doxsey, Daily Freeman.

- Chairman Roberts called the meeting to order at 6:450 PM.

I. RESOLUTIONS:

MOTION NO. 1 **LATE Resolution No. 275 – October 22, 2013**

TEXT OF MOTION: **LATE Resolution No. 275** - Authorizing Reimbursement To The State For The Cost Of Conducting A Special Session Of The New York State Assembly, Not To Exceed \$75,000.

Resolution Summary: Ulster County Legislature hereby authorizes the Ulster County Commissioner of Finance to reimburse the State of New York for the expenses associated with conducting a Special Session of the New York State Assembly prior to November 30, 2013, not to exceed \$75,000.00, to consider unfinished business including honoring Ulster County's Home Rule Request through passage of Assembly Bill No. A.5130.

MOTION MADE BY: **Legislator Ronk**
MOTION SECONDED BY: **Legislator Loughran**

DISCUSSION: **Chairman Roberts** called for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: **No**
VOTING IN FAVOR: **Legislators Roberts, R. Parete, Fabiano, Loughran, Maio, Donaldson and Ronk**
VOTING AGAINST: **Legislators Donaldson.**
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: **6**
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: **1**

DISPOSITION: **Motion Passed**

II. DISCUSSION

Chairman Roberts asked if there is any other business before the Committee; hearing none, he recognized **Legislator Maio** for a motion to adjourn, seconded by **Legislator Ronk** at 6:50PM.

Dated the 21st day of October, 2013
Franklin R. Reggero, Sr. Legislative Employee
Minutes Approved on: December 16, 2013/ frr

ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

Legislative Programs, Education & Community Services Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME : October 16, 2013 / 5:00pm
LOCATION : Ulster County Community College, St. John Business Seminar Room, George Clinton Hall, Room 118, Stone Ridge, New York
CHAIRMAN : Wayne Harris, Chairman - Present
RECORDER : Janet Salanitri, Adm. Assistant, SUNY, Ulster Co. Community College
LEGISLATORS
PRESENT : Legs. Donald Gregorius and David Donaldson
ABSENT : Leg. Lopez
EXCUSED : Leg. Wawro
OTHERS
PRESENT : Mark Komdat, Dean of Administration, SUNY Ulster County Community College; Kenneth Crannell, Deputy Ulster County Executive; Victor Melville, Observer for The League of Women Voters, and Jim Cosgrove, Margie Menard and Julie Dempsey, all representing The Ulster County Library Association.
QUORUM : Yes

A QUORUM BEING PRESENT CHAIRMAN HARRIS CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 5:06 p.m. and presented the following two (2) motions:

MOTION #1

Text of Motion : To approve the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee of September 18, 2013
Motion Made : Leg. Gregorius
Seconded : Leg. Donaldson
Voice Vote : Yes
In Favor : Chairman Harris, Leg. Gregorius, Leg. Donaldson.
Opposed : None
No. in Favor : 3
No. Opposed : 0
Disposition : The motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of this committee of September 18, 2013 were unanimously approved.

MOTION #2

Text of Motion : To Authorize the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature to Execute a Grant Application with Required Assurance for the NY Connects Choices for Long Term Care Program with the New York State Office for the Aging.
Motion Made : Leg. Gregorius
Seconded : Leg. Donaldson
Voice Vote : Yes
In Favor : Chairman Harris, Leg. Gregorius, Leg. Donaldson.
Opposed : None
No. in Favor : 3
No. Opposed : 0
Disposition : The motion to approve the resolution to authorize the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature to execute a grant application with required assurance for the NY Connects Choices for Long Term Care Plan for the New York State Office for the Aging. was unanimously approved.

SUNY ULSTER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE:

Report by : Mark Komdat, Dean of Administration

Report : Dean Komdat started his report by thanking Chairman Harris for attending today's round table on community colleges and luncheon in the Student Lounge. The Dean said there will be a "Green Expo" in the Senate Gym tomorrow evening from 5:00pm to 9:00pm which is being sponsored by the U.S. Building Council. Also upcoming is the Howard C. St. John Breakfast on Monday, October 21st at 7:30am in the Student Life Cafeteria. The guest speaker will be Mark Penziner, a financial advisor, and reservations are required although the event is free to the public.

Dean Komdat said enrollment is keeping pace with last year and we hope to meet or slightly exceed our budget projections for fall. He also said Kelder renovations have been completed, a Certificate of Occupancy issued, and we are hoping to schedule our grand opening shortly.

On capital projects, the water project is slowly moving forward. The NYC DEP is evaluating population estimates to determine the appropriate entitlement volume. There are still some kinks in the easements to be worked out but we are moving in the right direction. We have an electrical engineer developing the specs for the backup generator project, which is part of the approved capital project list. We have installed the meters for individual buildings and the outdoor notification system.

Sophie Finn School is progressing and there should be a Resolution before this committee either next month or in December. Dean Komdat said we are also moving along with engineering specifications for the grease traps and ejection pumps for the cafeteria, another part of the capital project. He said the Vanderlyn pedestrian bridge is failing and is cordoned off underneath. People can still walk across but no vehicles are allowed. These are not in our current capital project list and may have to be treated as emergencies. Also, the DeWitt Library roof is not in our current capital project plan and that roof has developed major leaks. We have made temporary repairs but that building needs a new roof at a cost of about \$250,000.

Dean Komdat said there should have been a resolution this evening about the funding for the balance of the Kelder renovations using the funds from the sale of the President's residence. Mr. Crannell said a meeting is being scheduled to talk about this and other capital projects. When asked about the Senate Gym floor, Dean Komdat said they thought the problem stemmed from a broken storm drainpipe; however, that was repaired and the moisture problem under the floor persists. He said there is a temporary repair in place but doesn't know how long that will hold.

Resolutions : None

ULSTER COUNTY LIBRARY ASSOCIATION:

Report by : Jim Cosgrove, Margie Menard and Julie Dempsey

Report : Mr. Cosgrove thanked the Committee for their on-going budgetary support. Chairman Harris reminded everyone that the County was under serious budget constraints. He said the committee does like to hear about what the libraries are doing and try to support them the best they can. Mr. Cosgrove said the libraries are training people to be "Navigators" who will be able to set up appointments with people to help them with the Affordable Care Act. He said they also have people who help clients with taxes. Ms. Menard said the libraries try to utilize county funds to help as many people as possible. Mr. Cosgrove said a new database is an "Initiative on Workforce Development". This includes "Cyprus Resume", "Testing & Education Reference Center", "Workforce Skills" and "Job Now". All are designed to facilitate and ease entry into the workforce.

Mr. Crannell said the County Executive had to come up with a strategy to address the possible 4.5 million budget deficit of which \$2 million is impacted in December. If the state passes the sales tax by the middle of January there will be no need for any reduction. He said contract agencies such as the libraries, RISE, Family, etc. have been level funded and funds have been set aside under a process of "sequestration". He also discussed the impact on Social Services employees and said that the burial costs and fees for veterans were fully funded.

Resolutions : None

NEW BUSINESS:

Leg. Gregorius said that last evening at the Ways & Means Committee it was agreed that Ulster County would pay the cost of transportation to have them come back into session to solve this problem in the quickest way possible.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before this Committee a motion to adjourn was made by Leg. Gregorius and seconded by Leg. Donaldson and Chairman Harris declared the meeting duly adjourned at 6:18pm.

Dated the 22nd day of October, 3013

Janet Salanitri, Recorder

Minutes Approved on the 13th Day of November 2013.

Public Works & Capital Projects Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: October 9, 2013 @ 5:00 PM
LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, 6th Floor County Office Building
PRESIDING OFFICER: Chairman Dean Fabiano
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Franklin Reggero
PRESENT: Chairman Dean Fabiano, Thomas Briggs, Jim Maloney, John Parete and Kevin Roberts
ABSENT: None
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Langdon Chapman, Legislative Counsel; Sue Ronga, David Bolles, Department of Public Works.

Chairman Fabiano:

- Called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM

MOTION NO. 1

Text Of Motion: RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of September 10th meeting.
Motion Made By: Legislator Maloney
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Parete
Roll Call Vote: No
Voting In Favor: Fabiano, Briggs, Maloney, J. Parete and Roberts
Voting Against: None
No. Of Votes In Favor: 5
No. Of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Motion Passes

RESOLUTIONS:

MOTION NO. 2 Resolution No. 263, October 22, 2013

Text Of Motion: RESOLVED to approve Resolution No. 263 – Approving The Exercise Of An Option To Extend The Primary Term Of The Lease Agreement With Spring Lake Fire Department For The Ulster County Central Auto Garage – Department of Public Works (Buildings & Grounds).

Resolution Summary: The Ulster County Legislature hereby approves exercising the option to extend the primary term of the Lease with the Spring Lake Fire Department for Ulster County Central Auto Garage located at 125 Maxwell Lane, Kingston, NY, for a renewal term of five (5) years, commencing September 15, 2013 and ending September 14, 2018, at an annual rental cost of \$26,724.77.

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

Discussion: **Chairman Fabiano** asked Ms. Ronga about repairs to the roof of the building to which Ms. Ronga stated yes there have been repairs made by both the County and the Fire Department and further stated that this is a 5 year lease.

Chairman Fabiano recognized Legislative Counsel Chapman who stated that language should be added to authorize the Chairman of the Legislature to enter into agreement therefore amending the first resolved to include such.

On the Amendment: Moved by Maloney , Seconded Briggs, Passed Unanimously 5-0.

Chairman Fabiano called for further debate, hearing none called for a vote.

Roll Call Vote: No
Voting In Favor: Fabiano, Briggs, Maloney, J. Parete and Roberts.
Voting Against: None
No. Of Votes In Favor: 5
No. Of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Motion Passes

MOTION NO. 3 Resolution No. 264, October 22, 2013

Text Of Motion: RESOLVED to approve Resolution No. 264 – Authorizing Acquisition Of Certain Real Property For The Purpose Of Replacing The Bridge On Denning Road Over The East Branch Neversink River – Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges).

Resolution Summary: The Ulster County Legislature hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature to execute, on behalf of the County of Ulster, any and all documents accepting the conveyance of the subject real property interest as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature, or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney.

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

Discussion: **Chairman Fabiano** recognized Mr. Bolles to explain the resolution.

Mr. Bolles stated that this is a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) project. The road is being moved slightly to straighten which will impact privately owned property that must be acquired by the County before work can begin. Mr. Bolles stated that there has been difficulty in contacting some of the owners.

Chairman Fabiano called for further debate, hearing none called for a vote.

Roll Call Vote: No
Voting In Favor: Fabiano, Briggs, Maloney, J. Parete and Roberts.
Voting Against: None
No. Of Votes In Favor: 5
No. Of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Motion Passes

DISCUSSION:

Chairman Fabiano recognized Ms. Ronga and Mr. Bolles for a DPW update:

Chairman Fabiano recognized Mr. Bolles who provided an update with pictures on current highway and bridge projects throughout the County i.e. Big Indian and Denning.

Ms. Ronga stated that she has been involved in the implementation of the new financial software this past month and provided a summary to the Committee. Ms. Ronga stated that the County is shooting for an April 1, 2014 start date for the new software.

Mr. Bolles stated that Operations Manager Mr. Whittaker has reached out to obtain a surface repair material and equipment for roads that add approximately 10-15 years to the surface.

Chairman Fabiano stated that he would like to go to Frost Valley with **Legislator John Parete** as opposed to holding a Committee meeting in the area. **Chairman Fabiano** stated that he will inform the Committee of his findings at the November meeting if the Committee approves of his decision. Ms. Ronga stated that she feels any concerns that are brought up during the visit should be addressed by Deputy County Executive Robert Sudlow as well. **Chairman Fabiano** will reach out to Mr. Sudlow. **Chairman Fabiano** stated that he will meet **Legislator Parete** on Friday October 25 to visit the Frost Valley area.

Chairman Fabiano called for more discussion, hearing none.

The next Committee Meeting is November 6th, 2013 at 5:00 PM.

There being no further business before the meeting, on the motion duly made by **Legislator Briggs**, seconded by **Legislator Maloney**, and carried, the meeting adjourned at 5:20 pm.

Dated the 9th day of October 2013
Franklin R. Reggero, Committee Clerk
Minutes Approved on: November 6, 2013

Social Services Committee

Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: October 7, 2013, 6:30 PM
LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, COB, Kingston, NY
PRESIDING OFFICERS: Chairmen Mary Wawro
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Deputy Clerk Krista Barringer
PRESENT: Legislators Craig Lopez (6:35), Richard Parete, and Hector Rodriguez
ABSENT: Legislator Kenneth Ronk
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Deputy County Executive Ken Crannell

Chairmen Wawro called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

Motion No. 1 RESOLVED To Approve the Minutes of the Social Services Committee meetings held August 5, 2013 and September 9, 2013

Motion Made By: Legislator Rodriguez
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Parete
Discussion: None
Roll Call Vote: No
Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Rodriguez, Parete, and Wawro
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 2 Resolution No. 269 – October 22, 2013

Text of Motion: Resolve to Approve Resolution No. 269 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Department Of Social Services (VMC Group, Inc.)

Motion Made By: Legislator Parete
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Rodriguez

Resolution No. 269 Summary: This Resolution reports the Ulster County Legislature has examined the stated contract amendment with VMC Group, Inc. and approves the contract amendment in the

form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney and Legislative Counsel.

Discussion:

Legislative Counsel Guerin noted this contract was for transportation services.

Legislator Rodriguez asked Deputy County Executive Crannell if they had considered UCAT as an alternative. Deputy County Executive Crannell replied they could not use UCAT.

Chair Wawro noted the service was for children under the age of 5 and would need car seats. Legislator Rodriguez felt the County could provide car seats.

Deputy County Executive Crannell indicated the contract was for the scheduling, routing, coordination of transportation services, customer service, and the provision of safety inspections of the buses. He indicated the County contracts with numerous bus companies and this company provided the administrative work behind the service for approximately 196 children.

Legislative Counsel Guerin noted this contract came before the Legislature last year and was a renewal.

Legislator Rodriguez noted UCAT has scheduling people.

Roll Call Vote:	No
Voting In Favor:	Legislators Lopez, Rodriguez, Parete, and Wawro
Voting Against:	None
No. of Votes in Favor:	4
No. of Votes Against:	0
Disposition of Motion:	Carried

Motion No. 3 Resolution No. 270 – October 22, 2013

Text of Motion: Resolve to Approve Resolution No. 270 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Department Of Social Services (Gateway Community Industries)

Motion Made By: Legislator Rodriguez

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Lopez

Resolution No. 242 Summary: This Resolution reports the Ulster County Legislature has examined the stated contract amendment with Gateway Community Industries and approves the contract amendment in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney and Legislative Counsel.

Discussion:

Legislator Rodriguez noted a portion of Gateway was located in his community of New Paltz. Deputy County Executive Crannell noted this program was part of the County's alleged non-existent employment program for welfare recipients.

Roll Call Vote:	No
Voting In Favor:	Legislators Lopez, Rodriguez, Parete, and Wawro
Voting Against:	None
No. of Votes in Favor:	4
No. of Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Carried

Motion No. 4 Resolution No. 271 – October 22, 2013

Text of Motion: Resolve to Approve Resolution No. 271 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Department Of Social Services (Berkshire Farm Center & Services for Youth)

Motion Made By: Legislator Lopez

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Parete

Resolution No. 271 Summary: This Resolution reports the Ulster County Legislature has examined the stated contract with Berkshire Farm Center & Services for Youth and approves the contract amendment in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney and Legislative Counsel.

Discussion:

Legislator Rodriguez asked where the program was located. Deputy County Executive Crannell replied in various locations in the region. He noted there are 100 beds available in the program and there were over 400 placements made last year. He noted the program is for planned and unplanned respite for families whose children are dealing with psychiatric issues. He stated the article 31 clinics utilize the program, including CCS, RCPC, BOCES, Astor and IFH.

Legislator Rodriguez asked how many children were served by the program. Deputy County Executive Crannell indicated he did not know how many children and noted there were 406 nights utilized last year. He stated it was a shared contract between Ulster County Mental Health and the Department of Social Services, which both access the resource for their families. Legislative Counsel Guerin noted Deputy Clerk Barringer started the crisis respite program in Ulster County. Deputy Clerk Barringer confirmed this started in 1994 through the Ulster County Mental Health Association.

Deputy County Executive Crannell discussed the parent needs which would necessitate utilization.

Legislative Counsel Guerin noted the maximum stay in the program is 21 days.

Roll Call Vote:	No
Voting In Favor:	Legislators Lopez, Rodriguez, Parete, and Wawro
Voting Against:	None

No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Follow-Up Discussion: Legislator Rodriguez asked why the State portion was 29%. Deputy County Executive Crannell indicated for this answer the Legislators would have to ask their State Representatives why the State keeps cutting its funding to Social Services programs. He indicated in the last five years, Ulster County Mental Health has lost 8 million dollars toward the mental health services and last year, they lost 1 million dollars toward the foster care allocation.

Motion No. 5 Resolution No. 272 – October 22, 2013

Text of Motion: Resolve to Approve Resolution No. 272 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Department Of Social Services (St. Christopher's, Inc.)

Motion Made By: Legislator Rodriguez

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Parete

Resolution No. 272 Summary: This Resolution reports the Ulster County Legislature has examined the stated contract with St. Christopher's, Inc. and approves the contract amendment in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney and Legislative Counsel.

Discussion:

Legislator Rodriguez inquired as to their location. Deputy County Executive Crannell stated he did not know it's location. He stated there were four children placed at the facility. He stated the rates, as set by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services, are anywhere between \$242 to \$340 per day.

In response to questioning from Legislator Rodriguez, Deputy County Executive Crannell noted the high treatment level these children receive at this facility. He noted in addition to the foster care boarding, they would receive psychiatric therapy and/or counseling services that are provided depending on the needs of the child.

Roll Call Vote: No
Voting In Favor: Legislators Lopez, Rodriguez, Parete, and Wawro
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 4
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 6 Resolution No. 273 – October 22, 2013

Text of Motion: Resolve to Approve Resolution No. 273 - Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Department Of Social Services (Hillside Children’s Center)

Motion Made By: Legislator Rodriguez

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Lopez

Resolution No. 273 Summary: This Resolution reports the Ulster County Legislature has examined the stated contract with Hillside Children’s Center and approves the contract amendment in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney and Legislative Counsel.

Discussion:

Legislator Rodriguez asked the number of children served. Deputy County Executive Crannell replied there were 2, with a daily rate of up to \$500.

Legislator Rodriguez pondered the possibility of the Department finding a more cost effective way to treat these children. Chair Wawro noted the unique qualifications needed to provide this level of services.

Deputy County Executive Crannell discussed an Arizona foster care placement with a goal to reunite the children with the family that now resided in Arizona.

Roll Call Vote:	No
Voting In Favor:	Legislators Lopez, Rodriguez, Parete, and Wawro
Voting Against:	None
No. of Votes in Favor:	4
No. of Votes Against:	0
Disposition:	Carried

New Business (Welfare Fraud Review):

Deputy County Executive Crannell noted two weeks ago the Department detailed the initiative they started in January 2013. He discussed the phases they put into place including a contract with a high end forensic auditing firm that seeks front end audit detection and locate misspent funds before they are actually spent. Chair Wawro noted it is hard to get the money back once it is gone.

Deputy County Executive Crannell noted the enhanced collaboration between the District Attorney and the Department of Social Services (DSS) for permissible information sharing. He discussed the ability for DSS to review the list of individuals to be arrested in a massive drug bust and remove them from the benefits list. He noted once someone is incarcerated, the County is to stop their services and provided the recent article regarding an Orange County incident of providing benefits to an incarcerated individual. He noted the Department, year to date, had removed 35 people from the rolls that were incarcerated. He stated they check both locally with a daily report from the jail and monthly from a State Prison System report. He indicated an approximate savings of about \$120,000 this year.

Legislator Parete noted the difficulty in having someone in jail with the same name as a legal recipient of services.

Chair Wawro asked about the follow-up. She noted in the past, when a youth was released from foster care and moved to Orange County, there would be no follow up. Deputy County Executive Crannell indicated in TANF and Safety Net, there is a system that they can check to confirm movement both interstate and nationally.

Legislator Rodriguez noted the situation of someone moving to Orange County, not changing their address and remaining on Ulster County's roles. Deputy County Executive Crannell stated they do check on the addresses and discussed the role of the Town Welfare Officer.

Legislator Rodriguez noted theoretically the Department is suppose to be interfacing with the individuals and should be aware of their physical location. Legislator Parete noted that would work if they change their address and noted the situation of moving but not changing their address and still receiving benefits. Deputy County Executive Crannell stated they have systems that would pick this up. He stated the Department has established a toll free tips line (845-SIUTIPS). He announced posters and billboards would be coming. He noted they can identify a potential problem through the tips.

Deputy County Executive Crannell stated he did not want to give the Committee the impression that fraud is rampant. Chair Wawro felt the general perception is that fraud is rampant. Deputy County Executive Crannell stated the Department does do a press release whenever there is an arrest but that the media does not always print the information.

Legislator Rodriguez asked if the Department had a white paper of the County's activities. Deputy County Executive Crannell replied he could incorporate this into the Committee's discussion next month on the budget. He noted the Department is utilizing \$156,000 from the Sunoco incident and is drawing down this funding to reinvest the dollars obtained from one fraud incident to help secure new fraud arrests. He noted the \$156,000 can translate into \$500,000 before it is expended.

New Business (DSS Budget Review):

Chair Wawro noted Deputy County Executive Crannell requested the budget review next month. Legislator Rodriguez noted the Committee meets early on in the month and that most of the DSS budget has been dedicated and spoken for. He noted as exemplified in the contracts discussed at this meeting, there are some things that need additional review given the state of the County's finances. He noted DSS is the largest chunk of the County's budget although much of it is Federal or State matching funds.

Deputy County Executive Crannell highlighted some changes in the 2014 County Executive's Proposed Budget:

- County Legislature approved the Ulster Cares Proposal in June which placed 13 support staff from Mental Health were move to DSS as support to their HEAP efforts.

- Two weeks ago, a DSS Caseworker was moved into the Office for the Aging which allows individuals to meet with someone authorized to determine eligibility as well as other benefits.
- Another proposal in the budget moves additional staff, with a total of 21 employees from other Departments moving into the Department of Social Services.
 - 13 from Mental Health, as discussed in the Ulster Cares Proposal
 - 2 Account Clerks from the Golden Hill Transitions Team
 - 6 Staff from the Department of Self Insurance to address worker's compensation, special investigations, Medicaid, and serving the needs of a very large county.

Legislator Rodriguez discussed the possibility of programmatic changes for programs that may be on the fringes. Deputy County Executive Crannell highlighted the County Executive's sequestration budget which included DSS Services contracts with high County share percentages and meeting a need that was optional. He gave the example of a program providing intense supervision for runaway and homeless youth.

Legislator Rodriguez noted difficult budgetary and programmatic decision may need to be made. Deputy County Executive Crannell also offered the RISE program as an example. Legislator Parete noted this program previously had one person graduate in six years and then following the Legislature's review, it was changed. Chair Wawro reiterated this program was changed and that one person graduating was not true anymore. Legislator Parete confirmed this change occurred when the Legislature's concerns were addressed.

Deputy County Executive Crannell noted the County Executive's Proposed 2014 Budget included the two-thirds takeover of the Safety Net. He stated this would be a four million dollar take over. He reported a review of the Town Budgets indicated many used their savings from the County to increase spending. Legislator Parete noted his proposal to take sales tax away and having the County take on the expense of the Safety Net. Deputy County Executive Crannell noted in the Town of New Paltz, the Supervisor has taken the cost saving to cut taxes and reduce the spending versus the Town of Ulster which has increased taxes by over 10% and not decreasing the spending.

Chair Wawro noted the Board of Health is moving. Deputy County Executive Crannell detailed the moves as such:

- In the summer, the Veterans Agency moved from 300 Flatbush to the Business Resource Center.
- By the end of the year, the Health Department will move to the Mental Health Building on Golden Hill.

Legislator Rodriguez asked if the sale of the 300 Flatbush building was allocated in the 2012 budget. Deputy County Executive Crannell indicated this was in the 2013 budget.

- He noted the Human Rights/Youth Department will move to the Business Resource Center.

Legislator Rodriguez discussed the house and property values with subdivision. Legislator Parete felt the County was better selling it and letting the developer deal with the local residents. Legislator

Rodriguez highlighted the increase of value with the subdivision. Deputy County Executive Crannell indicated the discussions are happening now with a real estate consultant.

Old Business

Chair Wawro noted under Old Business that the Committee had requested at the last meeting a report on the statistics of the Gateway Job Training program. Deputy County Executive Crannell indicated he would provide this information. He noted in the program discussed today, 52 people completed phase one of that contract and 24 completed phase 2.

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Lopez

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Parete

No. of Votes in Favor: 4

No. of Votes Against: 0

TIME: 7:05 PM

Dated the 9th day of October, 2013

Krista Barringer, Deputy Clerk

Minutes Approved on: November 7, 2013

NOTE TO COMMITTEE (as Requested by Legislator Rodriguez):

Post meeting discussion of the potential of cutting 21 staff in a sequestration budget and the implications of the Affordable Care Act.

Ways & Means Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: October 15, 2013 5:00 PM
LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, Sixth Floor, County Office Building
PRESIDING OFFICER: Richard Gerentine, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Franklin R. Reggero
PRESENT: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Maloney, Maio, Rodriguez and Ronk.
ABSENT: Legislator Provenzano
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Erica Guerin, Legislative Counsel; Ken Crannell, Deputy County Executive; Burt Gulnick, Commissioner of Finance; Sue Plonski and Roland Bloomer, County Attorney Office.

- Chairman Gerentine called the meeting to order at 5:05 PM.
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I. RESOLUTIONS:

MOTION NO. 1 Resolution No. 239

TEXT OF MOTION: **RESOLVED**, Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2013, A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 5 of 1989 (A Local Law Requiring Regulations Regarding The Sale Of Motor Vehicle Fuels) To Establish Certain Consumer Protection Practices In Ulster County.

MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Gregorius
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Rodriguez

DISCUSSION: Chairman Gerentine recognized Legislator Gregorius stated that he is not satisfied with the current version. Legislator Ronk motioned to postpone this resolution based on feedback from the Towns regarding a possible conflict with local zoning, seconded by Legislator Rodriguez with unanimous committee consent.

DISPOSITION: Motion Postponed

MOTION NO. 2 Resolution No. 256

TEXT OF MOTION: **RESOLVED**, Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 8 of 2013, A Local Law Amending The Administrative Code For The County Of Ulster, State Of New York To Delete Language As A Result Of The Amended Charter Language, To Be Held On Tuesday, November 19, 2013 At 7:00 PM.

MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Ronk
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Rodriguez

DISCUSSION: Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: No
VOTING IN FAVOR: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Maloney, Maio, Rodriguez and Ronk
VOTING AGAINST: None
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: 6
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: 0
DISPOSITION: Motion Passed

MOTION NO. 3**Resolution No. 258****TEXT OF MOTION:**

RESOLVED, Amending The 2013 Ulster County Budget To Accept Additional Funding Under The Workforce Investment Act, National Emergency Grant and Trade Adjustment Assistance Funding – Department Of Employment And Training.

MOTION MADE BY:**Legislator Ronk****MOTION SECONDED BY:****Legislator Maloney****DISCUSSION:**

Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:**No****VOTING IN FAVOR:****Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Maloney, Maio, Rodriguez and Ronk****VOTING AGAINST:****None****NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:****6****NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:****0****DISPOSITION:****Motion Passed**

MOTION NO. 4**Resolution No. 259****TEXT OF MOTION:**

RESOLVED, Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Employment Network Agreement Under A Social Security Administration Blanket Purchase Agreement – Department Of Employment And Training.

MOTION MADE BY:**Legislator Ronk****MOTION SECONDED BY:****Legislator Maloney****DISCUSSION:**

Chairman Gerentine recognized Mr. Crannell who explained the agreement.

Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion.

ROLL CALL VOTE:**No****VOTING IN FAVOR:****Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Harris, Maloney, Maio and Ronk.****VOTING AGAINST:****None****NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:****6****NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:****0****DISPOSITION:****Motion Passed**

MOTION NO. 5**Resolution No. 260****TEXT OF MOTION:**

RESOLVED, Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services To Provide For The Enhancement Of Ulster County's Digital Orthoimagery Data – Department Of Information Services.

MOTION MADE BY:**Legislator Maloney****MOTION SECONDED BY:****Legislator Gregorius****DISCUSSION:**

Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:**No****VOTING IN FAVOR:****Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Maloney, Maio, Rodriguez and Ronk****VOTING AGAINST:****Legislator****NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:****6****NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:****0****DISPOSITION:****Motion Passed**

MOTION NO. 6**Resolution No. 262****TEXT OF MOTION:**

RESOLVED, Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Grant Application With Required Assurances For The NY Connects Choices For Long Term Care Program With The New York State Office For The Aging – Office For The Aging.

MOTION MADE BY:

Legislator Maloney

MOTION SECONDED BY:

Legislator Gregorius

DISCUSSION:

Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

No

VOTING IN FAVOR:

Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Maloney, Maio, Rodriguez and Ronk

VOTING AGAINST:

None

NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:

6

NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:

0

DISPOSITION:

Motion Passed

MOTION NO. 7**Resolution No. 263****TEXT OF MOTION:**

RESOLVED, Approving The Exercise Of An Option To Extend The Primary Term Of The Lease Agreement With Spring Lake Fire Department For The Ulster County Central Auto Garage – Department of Public Works (Buildings & Grounds).

MOTION MADE BY:

Legislator Maloney

MOTION SECONDED BY:

Legislator Ronk

DISCUSSION:

Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

No

VOTING IN FAVOR:

Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Maloney, Maio, Rodriguez and Ronk.

VOTING AGAINST:

None

NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:

6

NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:

0

DISPOSITION:

Motion Passed

MOTION NO. 8**Resolution No. 264****TEXT OF MOTION:**

RESOLVED, Authorizing Acquisition Of Certain Real Property For The Purpose Of Replacing The Bridge On Denning Road Over The East Branch Neversink River – Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges).

MOTION MADE BY:

Legislator Maloney

MOTION SECONDED BY:

Legislator Ronk

DISCUSSION:

Chairman Gerentine recognized **Legislator Rodriguez** who asked why we are acquiring land to which Ms. Havranek stated the County is initiating a friendly imminent domain proceeding to acquire the right of way.

Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

No

VOTING IN FAVOR:

Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Maloney, Maio, Rodriguez and Ronk.

VOTING AGAINST:

None

NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:

6

NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: 0
DISPOSITION: Motion Passed

MOTION NO. 9 Resolution No. 265

TEXT OF MOTION: **RESOLVED**, Authorizing The Conveyance Of County-Owned Property To Original Owner – Department Of Finance.

MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Gregorius
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Rodriguez

DISCUSSION: Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: No
VOTING IN FAVOR: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Maloney, Maio, Rodriguez and Ronk.
VOTING AGAINST: None
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: 6
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: 0
DISPOSITION: Motion Passed

MOTION NO. 10 Resolution No. 266

TEXT OF MOTION: **RESOLVED**, Authorizing The Ulster County Commissioner Of Finance To Accept Redemption Offers Relative To Payment Of Real Property Taxes In The 2011 *In Rem* Foreclosure Proceeding – Department Of Finance.

MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Ronk
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Gregorius

DISCUSSION: Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: No
VOTING IN FAVOR: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Maloney, Maio, Rodriguez and Ronk.
VOTING AGAINST: None
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: 6
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: 0
DISPOSITION: Motion Passed

MOTION NO. 11 Resolution No. 267

TEXT OF MOTION: **RESOLVED**, Authorizing The Commissioner Of Finance To Accept Bids For Parcels Of County-Owned Real Property For Private Sale And Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Convey Such Parcels – Department Of Finance.

MOTION MADE BY: Legislator Ronk
MOTION SECONDED BY: Legislator Gregorius

DISCUSSION: Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: No
VOTING IN FAVOR: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Maloney, Maio, Rodriguez and Ronk.
VOTING AGAINST: None
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: 6
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: 0
DISPOSITION: Motion Passed

MOTION NO. 12 **Resolution No. 268**

TEXT OF MOTION: **RESOLVED**, Accepting The Accounting Of Unpaid School Taxes For The 2012-2013 School Year, Directing Payment To The School Districts And Directing Re-Levying Pursuant To Real Property Tax Law – Department Of Finance.

MOTION MADE BY: **Legislator Rodriguez**
MOTION SECONDED BY: **Legislator Ronk**

DISCUSSION: Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: **No**
VOTING IN FAVOR: **Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Maloney, Maio, Rodriguez and Ronk.**
VOTING AGAINST: **None**
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: **6**
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: **0**
DISPOSITION: **Motion Passed**

MOTION NO. 13 **Resolution No. 269**

TEXT OF MOTION: **RESOLVED**, Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Department Of Social Services.

MOTION MADE BY: **Legislator Rodriguez**
MOTION SECONDED BY: **Legislator Ronk**

DISCUSSION: Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE: **No**
VOTING IN FAVOR: **Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Maloney, Maio, Rodriguez and Ronk.**
VOTING AGAINST: **None**
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR: **6**
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST: **0**
DISPOSITION: **Motion Passed**

MOTION NO. 14 **To block Resolutions No. 270 through 274**

MOTION MADE BY: **Legislator Ronk**
MOTION SECONDED BY: **Legislator Rodriguez**

TEXT OF MOTION: **Reso 270: RESOLVED**, Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Department Of Social Services.

Reso 271: RESOLVED, Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Department Of Social Services.

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Reso 274: Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Department Of Probation.

DISCUSSION:

Chairman Gerentine recognized **Legislator Rodriguez** who stated that each of these contracts has a different amount of County share and Legislators should be aware.

Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

No

VOTING IN FAVOR:

Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Maloney, Maio, Rodriguez and Ronk.

VOTING AGAINST:

None

NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:

6

NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:

0

DISPOSITION:

Motion Passed

II. MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION:

Chairman Gerentine asked the Committee to review the Draft 2014 Budget Schedule.

Chairman Gerentine stated that on 22 October the Audit Committee with the Ways and Means Committee will interview the two firms selected for the County Audit.

Chairman Gerentine motioned to the Committee to sponsor a resolution that would cover the cost of the State Assembly to reconvene to consider Ulster County Sales Tax Extension. **Legislator Ronk** stated that he will support the motion however he does not feel that it is the County's responsibility to fund the Assembly to do their job. **Chairman Gerentine** stated that a \$50,000 investment for a possible return of over \$2 million is well worth the effort. **Legislator Rodriguez** stated his support for the motion however offered increasing the motion to \$100,000 to insure the amount would cover the actual cost. **Legislator Gregorius** also stated his support and stated that he believes that it is the Legislatures responsibility to make every effort to urge the Assembly to consider the Sales Tax Extension.

Chairman Gerentine motioned to increase amount to \$75,000 seconded by **Legislator Rodriguez** with unanimous committee consent.

Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion, hearing none.

- There being no further business before the Committee, a motion was made by **Legislator Rodriguez** seconded by **Legislator Maio** and carried to adjourn the meeting at 5:40 PM.
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Dated the 15TH Day of October, 2013

Franklin R. Reggero, Legislative Staff

Minutes Approved On: December 10, 2013 / frr

Ways & Means Committee

Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: October 22, 2013 6:00 PM
LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, Sixth Floor, County Office Building
PRESIDING OFFICER: Richard Gerentine, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Franklin R. Reggero
PRESENT: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Maloney, Maio, Provenzano, Rodriguez and Ronk.
ABSENT: None
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislators Bartels, Donaldson and Wishnick; Erica Guerin, Legislative Counsel; Ken Crannell, Deputy County Executive

- Chairman Gerentine called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.
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I. RESOLUTIONS:

MOTION NO. 1

Resolution No. 239

TEXT OF MOTION:

RESOLVED, Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 3 of 2013, A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 5 of 1989 (A Local Law Requiring Regulations Regarding The Sale Of Motor Vehicle Fuels) To Establish Certain Consumer Protection Practices In Ulster County.

DISPOSITION:

Motion Failed in Laws, Rules and Governmental Services Committee therefore no action required by this committee.

MOTION NO. 2

Resolution No. 275

TEXT OF MOTION:

RESOLVED, Authorizing Reimbursement To The State For The Cost Of Conducting A Special Session Of The New York State Assembly, Not To Exceed \$75,000.

MOTION MADE BY:

Legislator Rodriguez

MOTION SECONDED BY:

Legislator Ronk

DISCUSSION:

Chairman Gerentine recognized **Legislator Provenzano** who stated that the reason she is supporting this resolution is to communicate to the Assembly the importance of the Sales Tax Extension for Ulster County.

Chairman Gerentine stated that this resolution should send a message to the Assembly on behalf of all the residents of Ulster County.

Chairman Gerentine recognized **Legislator Bartels** who asked if the Committee is certain that this resolution is within the scope of the law or an existing precedence that supports this resolution. **Chairman Gerentine** explained that the resolution has been reviewed and approved by Counsel to the Legislature.

Chairman Gerentine recognized **Legislator Harris** who stated that out of 62 Counties in New State; only Ulster County was denied its request by the Assembly.

Chairman Gerentine recognized **Legislator Provenzano** stated that she is not happy to have to take this measure however supports any action the Committee can take to ensure that the Assembly understands the importance of the loss of revenue.

Chairman Gerentine recognized **Legislator Donaldson** who stated that he does not support this resolution. **Legislator Wishnick** stated that he is uncertain of the precedence that this type of resolution may set for future actions by the State Assembly.

Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion, hearing none.

ROLL CALL VOTE:	No
VOTING IN FAVOR:	Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Maloney, Maio, Provenzano, Rodriguez and Ronk.
VOTING AGAINST:	None
NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:	7
NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:	0
DISPOSITION:	Motion Passed

II. MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION:

Chairman Gerentine calls for further discussion, hearing none.

- There being no further business before the Committee, a motion was made by Legislator Rodriguez seconded by Legislator Gregorius and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 PM.
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Dated the 22nd day of October, 2013
Franklin R. Reggero, Legislative Staff
Minutes Approved On: December 10, 2013 / frr