

# Ways & Means Committee

## Regular Meeting Minutes

**DATE & TIME:** January 22, 2014 – 8:15 PM  
**LOCATION:** Karen L. Binder Library, Sixth Floor, County Office Building  
**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Richard Gerentine, Chairman  
**LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Franklin R. Reggero  
**PRESENT:** Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, R. Parete and Rodriguez  
**ABSENT:** Legislators Belfiglio  
**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes  
**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Finance Commissioner Gulnick, Asst. County Attorney Johnson, Sheriff VanBlarcum, Undersheriff Faluotico, Deputy Executive Crannell, Asst. County Attorney Plonski

- Chairman Gerentine called the meeting to order at 5:15 PM.
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### I. RESOLUTIONS:

**MOTION NO. 1** Resolution No. 12 – January 30, 2014

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

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section C-11(o) of the Ulster County Charter and Section A2-5(15) of the Administrative Code, the Ulster County Legislature shall have the power to approve execution of certain contracts and amendments in the amount of \$50,000.00 or more entered into by the County. A contract from Family of Woodstock, Inc. has been submitted for approval by the Legislature and has been reviewed by the Contract Manager, County Attorney's Office, Director of Purchasing, Comptroller and the County Executive.

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

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

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** No  
**VOTING IN FAVOR:** Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, R. Parete and Rodriguez  
**VOTING AGAINST:** None  
**NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:** 7  
**NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:** 0  
**DISPOSITION:** Motion Passed

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**MOTION NO. 2** Resolution No. 9

**TEXT OF MOTION:** **RESOLVED**, Amending Resolution No. 286 Of 1968, Adopted February 13,1969, Imposing Taxes On Sales And Uses Of Tangible Personal Property And Of Certain Services And On Occupancy Of Hotel Rooms And On Amusement Charges, Pursuant To Article 29 Of The Tax Law Of The State Of New York, As Amended By Resolution No. 164 Adopted July 8, 1971, Resolution No. 18 Adopted February 8, 1973, Resolution No. 211 Adopted June 10, 1976, Resolution No. 445 Adopted December 14, 1976, Resolution No. 183 Adopted August 12, 1993, Resolution No. 211 Adopted August 10, 1995, Resolution No. 240 Adopted August 14, 1997, Resolution No. 245 Adopted August 12, 1999, Resolution No. 260 Adopted August 22, 2001, Resolution

No. 218 Adopted July 30, 2003, Resolution No. 246 Adopted August 31, 2005, Resolution No. 272 Adopted July 31, 2007, Resolution No. 247 Adopted August 12, 2009, And Resolution No. 177 Adopted August 16, 2011 To Increase The Rate Of Sales And Compensating Use Taxes

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY:** Resolution No. 286 of 1968 imposed tax on sales and uses of tangible personal property and on various charges and services, said resolution having been amended various times as set forth above. The County will receive the authority to impose an additional 1% rate of such taxes for periods February 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 and January 1, 2015 though November 30, 2015.

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

**DISCUSSION:** **Deputy Crannell** was recognized by Chairman Gerentine who proceeding by reflecting on the services, such as certain Social Service Programs, which would be affected by the loss of the sales tax, the precarious situation the loss of the 1% sales tax placed the County of Ulster. Deputy Crannell was hopeful that there would be movement in the State Legislature but indicated that the way in which the Bill had been drafted was flawed. He went on to state that an additional bill in Albany would be necessary before the end of session in June. Legislator Rodriguez directed clarification that the flaws were in the Assembly Bill sponsored by Assemblyman Cahill. Sheriff VanBlarcum noted that the process required the certified Resolution to be received in Albany by the following evening to which Deputy Crannell reviewed the steps necessary to enact the law and the documentation required to the New York State Commissioner of Finance, indicating that the Clerk of the Legislature had a plan in place to comply with the requirements. Chairman Gerentine recounted a conversation he had with Senator Larkin who was confident the issue would be resolved.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** **No**  
**VOTING IN FAVOR:** **Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, R. Parete and Rodriguez**  
**VOTING AGAINST:** **None**  
**NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:** **7**  
**NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:** **0**  
**DISPOSITION:** **Motion Passed**

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**MOTION NO. 3** **Resolution No. 13**

**TEXT OF MOTION:** **RESOLVED**, Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Gateway Community Industries, Inc. – Mental health Department

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section C-11(o) of the Ulster County Charter and Section A2-5(15) of the Administrative Code, the Ulster County Legislature shall have the power to approve execution of certain contracts and amendments in the amount of \$50,000.00 or more entered into by the County. A contract amendment with Gateway Community Industries has been submitted for approval by the Legislature and has been reviewed by the Contract Manager, County Attorney's Office, Director of Purchasing, Comptroller and the County Executive.

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

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

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** **No**  
**VOTING IN FAVOR:** **Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, R. Parete and Rodriguez**  
**VOTING AGAINST:** **None**  
**NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:** **7**  
**NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:** **0**

**DISPOSITION:** **Motion Passed**

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**MOTION NO. 4** **Resolution No. 14**

**TEXT OF MOTION:** **RESOLVED**, Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into An Inter-Municipal Agreement For The Coordinated Children's Services School Placement Preventive Program With Ulster County Board Of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) – Department Of Social Services

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY:** Pursuant to Section A3-3-4(Y) and A2-6(A)(3) of the Administrative Code, the Legislature can enter into an inter-municipal agreement on behalf of the County of Ulster. The Commissioner of Ulster County Department of Social Services requested the Chairman of the legislature be authorized to execute an inter-municipal agreement with the Ulster County Board Of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) in the amount of \$5,750.00 for the Coordinated Children's Services School Placement Preventive Program for a term from January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. The Program will enroll fifteen high-risk students to the Ulster BOCES after school program to be overseen by a case aide who will organize after-school activities, assist the students daily and in times of crisis, meet with their families and facilitate collaboration with the school and community service providers.

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

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

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** **No**  
**VOTING IN FAVOR:** **Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, R. Parete and Rodriguez**  
**VOTING AGAINST:** **None**  
**NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:** **7**  
**NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:** **0**  
**DISPOSITION:** **Motion passed**

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**Resolution Nos. 15 – 18 taken as a block.**

**MOTION NO. 5**

**TEXT OF MOTION:** **Resolution No. 15 - RESOLVED**, Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Continuum Systems – Department Of Information Services

**Resolution No. 16 – RESOLVED**, Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Geo-Comm, Inc. – Department Of Information Services

**Resolution No. 17 – RESOLVED**, Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Sullivan Fire Protection Corp. – Department Of Public Works

**Resolution No. 18 – RESOLVED**, Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Suburban Restoration Co. Inc. – Department Of Public Works

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

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

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** No  
**VOTING IN FAVOR:** Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, R. Parete and Rodriguez  
**VOTING AGAINST:** None  
**NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:** 7  
**NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:** 0  
**DISPOSITION:** Motion passed

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**MOTION NO. 6** Resolution No. 19

**TEXT OF MOTION:** **RESOLVED**, Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Renewal Agreement With The New York State Unified Court System – Department Of Public Works - Buildings And Grounds

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY:** Resolution Summary: Pursuant to Section C-11(O) of the Ulster County Charter and Section A2-5(15) of the Administrative Code, the Ulster County Legislature has the power to approve the execution of contracts and amendments in the amount of \$50,000.00 or more entered into by the County. A contract for execution by the County with Sullivan Fire Protection Corp was submitted for approval and has been reviewed by the Contract Manager, County Attorney's Office, Director of Purchasing, Comptroller and the County Executive.

**MOTION MADE BY:** Legislator Malone  
**MOTION SECONDED BY:** Legislator Briggs

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

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** No  
**VOTING IN FAVOR:** Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, R. Parete and Rodriguez  
**VOTING AGAINST:** None  
**NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:** 7  
**NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:** 0  
**DISPOSITION:** Motion passed

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**MOTION NO. 7** Resolution No. 20

**TEXT OF MOTION:** **RESOLVED**, Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into Agreements With The Villages Of Ellenville, New Paltz, And Saugerties Relating To The Enforcement Of Real Property Tax Liens Under Article 11, Sections 1102, 1110 and 1150 Of The New York State Real Property Tax Law – Department Of Finance

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY:** Resolution Summary: There are several parcels of real property located in the Villages of Ellenville, New Paltz and Saugerties that the County anticipated acquiring due to non-payment of taxes and the County will offer the parcels for sale at public auction. The portions of the delinquent taxes owed on the parcels of real property are owed to the respective villages. The Commissioner of Finance has recommended entering into agreements with the Villages to provide for the division of the proceeds from the sale of the parcels within said villages.

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

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

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** No  
**VOTING IN FAVOR:** Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, R. Parete and Rodriguez  
**VOTING AGAINST:** None  
**NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:** 7  
**NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:** 0  
**DISPOSITION:** Motion passed

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**MOTION NO. 8** Resolution No. 21

**TEXT OF MOTION:** **RESOLVED**, Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Correctional Medical Care Inc. – Ulster County Sheriff

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY:** **Resolution Summary:** Pursuant to Section C-11(O) of the Ulster County Charter and Section A2-5(15) of the Administrative Code, the Ulster County Legislature has the power to approve the execution of contracts and amendments in the amount of \$50,000.00 or more entered into by the County. A contract amendment for execution by the County with Correctional Medical Care Inc. submitted for approval and has been reviewed by the Contract Manager, County Attorney's Office, Director of Purchasing, Comptroller and the County Executive.

**MOTION MADE BY:** Legislator Maio  
**MOTION SECONDED BY:** Legislator R. Parete

**DISCUSSION:** Legislator Maio requested clarification of the amounts and the timeframe being addressed in the Resolution.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** No  
**VOTING IN FAVOR:** Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, R. Parete and Rodriguez  
**VOTING AGAINST:** None  
**NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:** 7  
**NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:** 0  
**DISPOSITION:** Motion passed

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**MOTION NO. 9** Resolution No. 22

**TEXT OF MOTION:** **RESOLVED**, Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The County Of Oneida For Boarding Inmates At The Central New York Psychiatric Center – Ulster County Sheriff

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY:** **Resolution Summary:** This Resolution allows for the boarding out of psychiatric inmates from Ulster County to the Oneida County Central New York Psychiatric Center Forensic Unit at the rate of \$165.00 per day per inmate. The Ulster County Sheriff requested that the Legislative Chairman execute the agreement with Oneida County for the boarding out of inmates with psychiatric problems for a term beginning January 1, 2014 and ending December 31, 2016.

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

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

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** No  
**VOTING IN FAVOR:** Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, R. Parete and Rodriguez  
**VOTING AGAINST:** None  
**NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:** 7  
**NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:** 0  
**DISPOSITION:** Motion passed

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**MOTION NO. 10** Resolution No. 23

**TEXT OF MOTION:** **RESOLVED**, Approving Ulster County's Revised 2014 STOP-DWI Program Plan And Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute All Intermunicipal Agreements Required Under The Plan – Ulster County Probation, STOP-DWI Division

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY:** **Resolution Summary:** This Resolution requests the Ulster County Legislature to approve the Ulster County's revised STOP DWI Program Plan which program is of value to reduce the incidents of drunk and drugged driving within the County.

**MOTION MADE BY:** Legislator Briggs  
**MOTION SECONDED BY:** Legislator Bartels

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

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** No  
**VOTING IN FAVOR:** Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, R. Parete and Rodriguez  
**VOTING AGAINST:** None  
**NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:** 7  
**NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:** 0  
**DISPOSITION:** Motion passed

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**MOTION NO. 11** Resolution No. 24

**TEXT OF MOTION:** **RESOLVED**, Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Contract With The New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services For The Ignition Interlock Device Monitoring Program – Department Of Probation, Division Of STOP-DWI

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY:** **Resolution Summary:** This Resolution requests the Legislative Chairman to execute a contract with the NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services for a period from October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014 in the amount of \$55,215.00, which funds are to be used for the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee (GTSC) Ignition Interlock Device Monitoring Program to allow Ulster County STOP-DWI to offset the cost of administering the Program.

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

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

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** No  
**VOTING IN FAVOR:** Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, R. Parete and Rodriguez  
**VOTING AGAINST:** None  
**NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:** 7  
**NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:** 0  
**DISPOSITION:** Motion passed

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**MOTION NO. 12**

**Resolution No. 25**

**TEXT OF MOTION:**

**RESOLVED**, Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Department Of Homeland Security And Emergency Services For Participation In The Local Emergency Management Performance Grant Program For Federal Fiscal Year 2013 – Emergency Communications / Emergency Management

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY:**

**Resolution Summary:** This Resolution is pursuant to a notification received by the Director of Emergency Communications/Emergency Management from the NYS Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services regarding the Federal Fiscal Year 2013 annual agreement for Local Emergency Management Performance Grant Program (CFDA #97.042). The Director requested the Legislative Chairman be authorized to execute an agreement with the NYS Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services for the Local Emergency Management Performance Grant for a term from October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2014 in the amount of \$70,403.00. The purpose of the program is to ensure the development and maintenance of a comprehensive, risk-based, all-hazards emergency management capability at the State and local levels, and to encourage the improvement of the readiness, response, and recovery capabilities for all hazards that threaten the State's communities.

**MOTION MADE BY:**

**Legislator Briggs**

**MOTION SECONDED BY:**

**Legislator Maio**

**DISCUSSION:**

**Chairman Gerentine** called for further discussion, hearing none.

**ROLL CALL VOTE:**

**No**

**VOTING IN FAVOR:**

**Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, R. Parete and Rodriguez**

**VOTING AGAINST:**

**None**

**NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:**

**7**

**NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:**

**0**

**DISPOSITION:**

**Motion passed**

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**MOTION NO. 13**

**Resolution No. 31**

**TEXT OF MOTION:**

**RESOLVED**, Restoring The Positions Of Counsel To The Legislature

**RESOLUTION SUMMARY:**

**Resolution Summary:** Section C-20(A) of the Ulster County Charter states that the Counsel to the Legislature shall be appointed by the Chairman. In past years, the responsibilities of Counsel to the Legislature were divided between two part-time positions approved in the County budget. In recent years, a new structure was developed creating one part-time Paralegal position and one full time Legislative Counsel position which was subsequently removed from the Personnel listing to become a contractual expense. The Legislature has determined that the most valuable and proficient use of Legislative Counsel is to revert back to the two part-time position structure.

**MOTION MADE BY:**

**Legislator Briggs**

**MOTION SECONDED BY:**

**Legislator Rodriguez**

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

**ROLL CALL VOTE:** No

**VOTING IN FAVOR:** Legislators Gerentine, Bartels, Briggs, Maio, Maloney, R. Parete and Rodriguez

**VOTING AGAINST:** None

**NO. OF VOTES IN FAVOR:** 7

**NO. OF VOTES AGAINST:** 0

**DISPOSITION:** Motion passed

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**II. MISCELLANEOUS DISCUSSION:** None

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- There being no further business before the Committee, a motion was made by Legislator Briggs, seconded by Legislator Maio and carried to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 PM.
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Dated the 12<sup>th</sup> Day of February, 2014  
Lisa K. Mance, Legislative Employee  
Minutes Approved On: February 12, 2014