

**Ways & Means Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: October 20, 2015 – 5:15pm
LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, COB
PRESIDING OFFICER: Richard Gerentine, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Donald J. Quesnell
PRESENT: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R. Parete, J. Parete
ABSENT: Legislator Maio
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislators Archer, Wishnick Legislative Counsel Weiner, Guerin, County Attorneys Jonathan Engel, Tracey Steeves, Sheriff Van Blarcum, William Kimble, Jay Mahler

- **Chairman Gerentine called the meeting to order at 5:19PM**

Motion No. 1: Resolution No. 325 – October 20, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Postpone Resolution No. 325 – October 20, 2015 - Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 14 of 2015 (A Local Law Prohibiting The Sale Of Personal Care Products Containing Microbeads In Ulster County) To Be Held On Tuesday, November 10, 2015 At 7:05 PM

Motion Made By: Legislator Maloney
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: Legislator Belfiglio asked about the economic products and what the impact would be for our county. There was a general discussion on what microbeads are and how they affect the water supply. Legislator John Parete said he was informed by the sponsors that they would have a full list of products within the next week. Legislator R. Parete said he received a helpful email from Legislator Loughran and he doesn't see any harm in waiting a month until everyone has the information.

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

Motion No. 2: Resolution No. 362 – October 20, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Postpone Resolution No. 362 – October 20, 2015 - Adopting Proposed Local Law No. 9 of 2015 (A Local Law Of The County Of Ulster, New York, Known As The “False Alarm Reduction Act”)

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen
Discussion: None.
Voting In Favor: Legislators Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R. Parete, J. Parete
Voting Against: Legislator Gerentine
No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against: 1
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 3: Resolution No. 363 – October 20, 2015

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No.363 – October 20, 2015 -** Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 16 of 2015 (A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 1 Of 1996 (A Local Law To Prohibit Soliciting, Peddling Or Vending On Any County Owned Property), To Allow For Use Of County Owned And Leased Building Space By Veterans And Disabled Members Of Ulster County) To Be Held On Wednesday, October 14, 2015 At 6:15 PM

Motion Made By: Legislator R. Parete
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: None.

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

New Business

Old Business

- **Legislator Gerentine informed the committee Deputy Executive Sudlow was unable to attend tonight. But, there was no new information since the previous meeting. Legislator Gerentine stated Deputy Executive Sudlow’s recommendation was the BRC but that would have to go out to referendum. He went on to say if the committee wished we could relay this to the state. A general discussion ensued. A general consensus was agreed that there should be a backup plan in case the referendum fails.**
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General Discussion

- **Legislator Rodriguez provided the committee with background information on Resolution 325. He asked the committee to reconsider to allow for the public hearing. Legislator Gerentine stated the committee was not saying they were against the legislation but were looking for more information. The committee relayed their concerns regarding allowing the public hearing without having the information they were looking for. A discussion on the topic ensued.**
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Motion No. 4: **To Reconsider Resolution No. 325 – October 20, 2015**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Reconsider Resolution No. 325 – October 20, 2015-** Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 14 of 2015 (A Local Law Prohibiting The Sale Of Personal Care Products Containing Microbeads In Ulster County) To Be Held On Tuesday, November 10, 2015 At 7:05 PM

Motion Made By: Legislator Gregorius

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Allen

Discussion: Legislator Belfiglio said he had a problem with moving this tonight and one of his issues is regarding the prohibition section of the law. He explained his concern to the committee.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gregorius, Allen, R. Parete

Voting Against: Legislators Gerentine, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, J. Parete

No. of Votes in Favor: 3

No. of Votes Against 5

Disposition: Defeated

There being no further business before the Committee, a motion was made by Legislator Gregorius, seconded by Legislator Belfiglio and carried to adjourn the meeting at 5:55pm.

Dated the 30th day of October, 2015

Donald J. Quesnell, Fiscal Analyst

Minutes Approved On: November 10, 2015