

**Ways & Means Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: May 13, 2015 – 5:00 PM
LOCATION: Karen L. Binder Library, 6th Floor, COB
PRESIDING OFFICER: Richard Gerentine, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Fawn Tantillo
PRESENT: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen(@5:20), Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney(@5:08), John Parete(left @ 6:10), Rich Parete(left @ 6:45)
ABSENT: Legislator Maio
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislators Archer, Bartels Donaldson, Greene, Provenzano, Wishnick, Legislative Counsel Weiner, Ragucci, Guerin County Attorneys Bea Havranek, Jonathan Engel, Tracey Steeves, Deputy County Executive Kenneth Crannell, Bob Sudlow, Commissioner of Finance Burt Gulnick, Deputy of Planning Chris White, Joan Reynolds, James Nani, Tom Kaisgen, Meg Carey, Patty Goodwill, Kathy Nolan, Nick Mercurio, Clerk of the Legislature Victoria A. Fabella, Patricia Doxsey of the Daily Freeman

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

Motion No. 1: Approving the Minutes of April 15, 2015 and April 21, 2015.

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve the Minutes of April 15, 2015 and April 21, 2015.

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

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: April 15, 2015 Minutes - Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, J Parete, R Parete
April 21, 2015 Minutes - Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, J Parete, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: April 15, 2015 Minutes – 7
April 21, 2015 Minutes – 7

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 2:

Resolution No. 187 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion:

Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 187 – May 19, 2015 -
Authorizing The County Executive To Execute An Agreement
With The City Of New York To Accept Grant Funding For And
Facilitate Creation Of A Public Recreational Trail Along The
Ashokan Reservoir

Motion Made By:

Legislator Briggs

Motion Seconded By:

Legislator Allen

Discussion:

Legislator Gerentine asked to be brought up to date in regards to the meeting that was held by council today. Council Guerin said there is some language that has to be worked on to address some concerns and some amendments have to be made still. Council Weiner stated there is still some outstanding issues and questions. County Attorney Havranek said she feels there is no legal impediment in adopting this tonight. She explained the process of changing the language and the beginning steps of the project that will be in the future. Legislator Guerin said she does not see why this cannot wait one week; there are other meetings to be held and one week will give enough time to hash out the concerns. Counsel Weiner agreed that a little more time to discuss this with his caucus and the chairman would be reasonable. Legislator Belfiglio agreed that with the meeting tomorrow night more questions should be answered and we should be looking beyond just the legality of the contracts. Legislator R Parete agreed with Legislator Belfiglio and said this contract raised a bunch of red flags for him. He quoted the history of the reservoir and that historically the area has been off limits to everything except fishing and he went on to explain his concerns with the contract. Chris White said the agreement that does not prevent blacktop and that if you want to spend the additional funds the new type of blacktop can be used. R. Parete asked for the cost difference. Chris White said it would probably be a factor of two. Legislator Gerentine asked if we need the city's approval on a plan in order to proceed. County Attorney Havranek verified this was the case and explained the process. Counsel Weiner stated he believes some of the Legislators are looking for definitions on certain terms in the agreement in order to make them more comfortable. Chris White explained the easement we have is for railroad only this agreement helps modify the agreement for trail. Legislator Gerentine asked if we do not agree with this later on what is the risk. Chris White said we would have spent DEP's money and we do not have to pay them back. Legislator Donaldson said he has submitted questions and have not gotten answers yet. He explained some of his concerns and questions he

has. He said he feels a comparison between this and the construction of the jail. Bea Havranek addressed some of his legal questions. Legislator Donaldson said we need to come up with some real costs on this. Legislator Provenzano said she felt that the previous resolution passed prior to this explained that the county was in favor of a trail. She doesn't understand why everyone is so surprised about a trail now. She went on to explain that this is to accept the funding to start the process. Legislator Gerentine on resolution 187 asked that we substitute the resolution's amendment version.

Motion: Legislator Belfiglio asked to substitute the amended version of the resolution as written.

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Gregorius

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, J Parete, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Amendment Carried

Discussion cont.: Legislator John Parete said he got the original agreement yesterday and said never in the original agreement could the city close the railroad down. He went on to say he feels we should be negotiating more and not getting dictated as much in terms of our rights in the contract. In addition, he said he has security concerns regarding certain parts of the trail. He wanted to know if this will be ready for construction in one month two months or three months and what the rush is. Legislator Gerentine said there is no reasonable way to start construction this year. Chris White said the rail road easement is protected in this agreement. Legislator R. Parete said if this was a resolution to accept funding for 400,000 no one would disagree on this. But, this is a multiple page agreement and questions need to be answered. A discussion took place regarding pavement on the trails and the pros and cons. Legislator R. Parete asked why we don't get the agreement to state the city will put the rails back if they close the trail. County Attorney Bea Havranek said it would be unreasonable to ask the city to do that. Legislator Allen said the main focal point is planning. There was a general disagreement on this. It was agreed that this was more of a frame work because no details were explained regarding the process from beginning to end. Chris White explained the annual maintenance charges that would be

standard as per an inquiry by Legislator Chris Allen. Legislator Greene said she spoke to two attorneys and they believe the action of signing the MOA is subject to SEQRA because it effects the future of this corridor. She explained that she felt most of the discussion that has been going on tonight is the work that the committee they set up was designed to do. Legislator Gerentine said he was very proud of us Legislators and the work we are doing. He explained there are other issues involved in this matter. He went on to state that this is a very important issue and that time could be of the essence. He said that we should move forward and get the answers for the questions we are looking for; Furthermore there are going to be many changes in construction and you will not have ever answer sitting here ready for you today. Lastly, that this is a project to help the citizens of Ulster County and if there are monies available we should go out and get them.

Motion: With the previos motion to approve this resolution being withdrawn. Legislator Belfiglio made a motion to postpone this resolution until May 19, 2015.

Motion Made By: Legislator Belfiglio

Motion Seconded By: Legislator R. Parete

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, J Parete, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Resolution was postponed until May 19, 2015.

Motion No. 3: **Resolution No. 188 – May 19, 2015**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 188 – May 19, 2015 -** Appropriating Funds From Bus Advertising On Buses - Amending The 2015 Ulster County Budget – Department Of Public Transportation (UCAT)

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs

Motion Seconded By: Legislator R Parete

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, J Parete, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 4: Resolution No. 189 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 189 – May 19, 2015-**
Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into An Inter-Municipal For Computer Skills Education At The Ulster Works OneStop Center With Ulster County Board Of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) - Department of Employment And Training

Motion Made By: Legislator Gregorius
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Briggs, Maloney, J Parete, R Parete

Abstention: Legislator Belfiglio

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 5: Resolution No. 190 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 190 – May 19, 2015-**
Scheduling A Public Hearing On The Addition Of Lands To Agricultural Districts, As Required By New York State Agriculture and Markets Law – Department Of Planning

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

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, J Parete, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 6: Resolution No. 202 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 202 – May 19, 2015 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services – Aid To Prosecution – District Attorney

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator R Parete

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, J Parete, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 7: Resolution No. 203 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 203 – May 19, 2015 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services For The Aid To Defense Program – Department Of Public Defender

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

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, J Parete, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 8: Resolution No. 204 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 204 – May 19, 2015 - Authorizing the Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Rondout Valley Central School District To Provide A Deputy Sheriff As A School Resource Officer – Ulster County Sheriff

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Parete

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, J Parete, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 9: Resolution No. 205 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 205 – May 19, 2015- Amending The 2015 Ulster County Budget To Continue The Programming Previously Provided by Ulster County Community College RSVP Program - Creating One Full Time Position And One Part-Time Position – Office For The Aging

Motion Made By: Legislator Maloney

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, J Parete, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 10: Resolution No. 207 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 207 – May 19, 2015 - Authorizing the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Grant Application With Required Assurances For The Medicare Improvements For Patients and Providers Act (MIPPA) With The New York State Office For The Aging

Motion Made By: Legislator R Parete

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, J Parete, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 11: Resolution No. 206 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 206 – May 19, 2015- Amending The 2015 Ulster County Budget To Fund The Senior Meals On Wheels Plus Program – Office For The Aging

Motion Made By: Legislator Gregorius

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, J Parete, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 12: Resolution No. 208 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 208 – May 19, 2015-
Amending Capital Project No. 405 – SUNY Ulster Renovation Of
The Kelder Center – Ulster County Community College

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Gregorius

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, J
Parete, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 13: Resolution No. 210– May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 210– May 19, 2015 -
Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00
Entered Into By The County – Gateway Community Industries,
Inc. – Office For The Aging

Motion Made By: Legislator Gregorius
Motion Seconded By: Legislator R Parete

Discussion: Legislator Belfiglio asked if the previous employees can be
reached out to. Ken Crannell said all but one have been reached
out too.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, J
Parete, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 8

No. of Votes Against 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 14: Resolution No. 211– May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 211– May 19, 2015-
Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess
Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Rose & Kiernan, Inc.
– Department Of Personnel

Motion Made By: Legislator R Parete
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: Legislator Allen asked if they estimated what costs on a quarterly basis every 3 months. Burt Gulnick gave an explanation on the increase per the contract

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 15: **Resolution No. 212 – May 19, 2015**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 212 – May 19, 2015 -**
Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00
Entered Into By The County – C&S Companies, Inc. – Department
Of Public Works

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

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 16: **Resolution No. 213 – May 19, 2015**

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 213 – May 19, 2015 -**
Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00
Entered Into By The County – W.M. Schultz Construction, Inc. –
Department Of Public Works

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator R Parete

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R Parete
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 17: Resolution No. 214 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 214 – May 19, 2015-**
Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – J&J Tree Works, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Gregorius

Discussion: Counsel Guerin stated that the language was discussed in the contract that she did not agree with and Attorney Engel has agreed to remove it.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R Parete
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 18: Resolution No. 215 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 215 – May 19, 2015 -**
Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – GeoStabilization International, LLC – Department Of Public Works

Motion Made By: Legislator R Parete
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R Parete
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 19: Resolution No. 216 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 216 – May 19, 2015 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute Inter-Municipal Agreements For Funding The Construction Of Sidewalks And Shoulders Along Plank Road (County Route 128 In Napanoch With the Town Of Wawarsing And The Wal-Mart Corporation – Department Of Public Works

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs

Motion Seconded By: Legislator R Parete

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 20: Resolution No. 217 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 217 – May 19, 2015 - Amending The 2015 Ulster County Budget To Fund Allocate Additional Funds For Highway Salt For Year 2015 – Department of Public Works

Motion Made By: Legislator Gregorius

Motion Seconded By: Legislator R Parete

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 21: Resolution No. 218 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 218 – May 19, 2015 - Amending Capital Project No. 260 - Bailey Bridge (BIN 3347090), A Project for the Bridge Replacement On Denning Road Over The East Branch Of The Neversink Creek – Transportation Improvement Project (TIP) Not On The State Highway System – Amending the 2015 – 2020 Capital Improvement Program – Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)

Motion Made By: Legislator R Parete

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 22: Resolution No. 220 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 220 – May 19, 2015 - Establishing Capital Project No. 455 – Security Improvements- Various Buildings – Amending the 2015 – 2020 Capital Improvement Program - Department Of Public Works (Buildings & Grounds)

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Belfiglio

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 23: Resolution No. 222 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 222 – May 19, 2015 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into Two Lease Agreements With Access: Supports For Living, For Office Space To Provide Mental Health Services To The Community – Department of Public Works (Buildings and Grounds)

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

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 24: Resolution No. 223 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 223 – May 19, 2015 - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into a Lease Agreement With Family Services, Inc. For Office Space Of Ulster Prevention Council At Trudy Resnick Farber Center, Ellenville – Department of Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator R Parete

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 25: Resolution No. 224 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 224 – May 19, 2015 - Amending The 2015 Ulster County Budget To Accept An Additional Allocation Of Funds From The New York State Office Of Children And Family Services To Implement Safe Harbor Programming – Department Of Social Services

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator R Paretas

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 26: Resolution No. 225 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 225 – May 19, 2015 - Authorizing The Conveyance Of County-Owned Property To The Original Owner – Department Of Finance

Motion Made By: Legislator Briggs
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Gregorius

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R Parete

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 27: Resolution No. 226 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 226 – May 19, 2015- Approving Home Rule Request For Senate Bill No. S4695 And Assembly Bill No. A6603-A Authorizing Ulster County To Continue The Additional 1% Rate Of Its Sales And Compensating Use Tax For Twenty-Four Additional Months

Motion Made By: Legislator Gregorius

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Briggs
Discussion: None.
Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R Parete
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

Motion No. 28: Resolution No. 227 – May 19, 2015

Text of Motion: **Resolved to Approve Resolution No. 227 – May 19, 2015 -** Authorizing The Reconstruction Of The Perrine’s Bridge, In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$350,000.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$350,000.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof

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

Discussion: None.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gerentine, Gregorius, Allen, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maloney, R Parete
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Carried

New Business

- Burt Gulnick explained the handout he distributed and gave a summary of the 2015 County Auction. Legislator R. Parete asked why we do not outsource this if we do not make money. Burt Gulnick said it has been looked into and it would not provide a savings to the county.
- Bob Sudlow said they are currently in the middle of a lot of scenarios regarding the Court House. Legislator Gerentine inquired about the lease. Bob Sudlow said they would be extending the lease again for another year in August. Bob Sudlow went on to explain the Office of Court Administration is asking for more space and a long term solution. He stated he met with leadership to discuss surplus property and the options they may have. He has also spoken with the cap improvement attorney in NY City. He said another issue to consider is the “Raise the Age” incentive in which may increase the use of the courtrooms and require additional planning. He explained the state will reimburse 50% of “new” construction. If it is an unused building then it is to be determined if they

reimburse it. Legislator Maloney asked for a timeline if we had to go to a referendum. Bob Sudlow explained there is no hard time line to date.

Old Business

There being no further business before the Committee, a motion was made by Legislator Briggs, seconded by Legislator Belfiglio and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 pm.

Dated the 26th day of May, 2015
Donald J. Quesnell, Fiscal Analyst
Minutes Approved On: June 10, 2015