

**Ways &
Means Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: May 11, 2021 – 5:00
LOCATION: Powered by Zoom Meeting by dialing 1-646-558-8656,
Meeting ID 940 9584 5993
PRESIDING OFFICER: John Gavaris, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Natalie Kelder, Amber Feaster, and Jay Mahler
PRESENT: Legislators Lynn Archer, Tracey Bartels, Heidi Haynes,
Mary Beth Maio, and Eve Walter; and Legislative Chairman
David B. Donaldson
ABSENT: Legislators Kenneth J. Ronk, Jr., and John Parete
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislators Brian Cahill, Jonathan Heppner, Manna Jo
Greene, Laura Petit; Legislative Counsel Chris Ragucci;
Legislative Counsel Victor Cueva; Minority Counsel
Nicholas Pascale; Clerk of the Legislature, Victoria Fabella;
Deputy County Executives Marc Rider, and John Milgrim;
Commissioner of Finance Burt Gulnick; Comptroller March
Gallagher; Deputy Comptroller, Alicia DeMarco; Patricia
Doxsey, Daily Freeman; Sheriff Juan Figueroa; Penny
Coleman, Ulster Immigrant Defense Network

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

Motion No. 1: To approve the minutes of the April 13, 2021 Regular Meeting and the April 20, 2021 Regular Meetings

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and
Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 2: To block Resolutions No. 198, 199, and 200

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and
Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 3: To approve the following Resolutions:

Resolution No. 198 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Ulster County Board Of Cooperative Educational Services To Provide A Deputy Sheriff As School Resource Officer – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to sign an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the BOCES School District to provide a Deputy Sheriff to serve as a School Resource Officer for the term July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

Resolution No. 199 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Onteora Central School District To Provide A Deputy Sheriff As School Resource Officer – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to sign an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the Onteora Central School District to provide a Deputy Sheriff to serve as a School Resource Officer for the term September 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

Resolution No. 200 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The Rondout Valley Central School District To Provide A Deputy Sheriff As School Resource Officer – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to sign an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the Rondout Valley Central School District to provide a Deputy Sheriff to serve as a School Resource Officer for the term April 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: Legislator Bartels stated respect for the School Districts requesting School Resource Officers and for the Sheriff who is looking to develop a relationship between law enforcement and youth, and

expressed concern that there has not been a well established relationship between the presence of a School Resource Officer and a decline in in-school violence. Further Legislator Bartels assured the Committee that she will continue to research and update the Legislature accordingly. Legislator Walter agreed, adding that she supports strengthening the relationship between law enforcement and youth through clubs and workshops. Sheriff Figueroa emphasized the importance of law enforcement seeing youth at young ages, explaining that the School Resource Officers in Ulster County are different from what is typical.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Haynes, Maio; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson
Voting Against: Legislators Bartels, and Walter
No. of Votes in Favor: 5
No. of Votes Against: 2
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 4: To approve Resolution No. 201 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Application For A Department Of Homeland Security – FEMA – Port Security Grant – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute the application for the Department of Homeland Security-FEMA-Port Security Grant to provide the Sheriff's Office with an opportunity to increase port-wide risk management and protect critical surface transportation infrastructure from acts of terrorism, major disaster, and other emergencies in the amount of up to \$138,233.00, with a 75% reimbursement.

Motion Made By: Legislator Walter
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Chairman Gavaris requested clarification on the submission deadline. Sheriff Figueroa provided a brief description of the grant and its history, assuring the Committee that if the body defeats the Resolution the Office will withdrawal the application.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 5: To approve Resolution No. 203 – Amending The 2021 Ulster County Budget To Adjust The Annual Salary Of The Opioid Use Disorder Systems Specialist (COSSAP Grant) - Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: This Resolution increases the annual salary for the Opioid Use Disorder Systems Specialist by \$9,022.00, from the approved budget value of \$62,972.00 to \$71,994.00, under the COSSAP Grant.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 6: To approve Resolution No. 204 – Amending The 2021 Ulster County Budget To Adjust The Annual Salary Of The Assistant Warden - Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: This Resolution increases the annual salary for the Ulster County Jail Assistant Warden to \$95,962.00, an increase of \$19,499.00, and eliminates two part time Correction Officer positions, numbers 31505025 and 31505026, to cover the cost of the increase.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 7: To approve Resolution No. 205 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$8,640.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Touch Legal, Inc. – Ulster County Sheriff

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Touch Legal, Inc. to extend the term of agreement for maintenance and support of mobile law library books located in the UC Jail from March 31, 2021 through March 31, 2022 for an additional \$8,640.00, making the contract total \$54,960.00.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 8: To block Resolutions No. 206, 208, and 209

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Donaldson

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 9: To approve the following Resolutions:

Resolution No. 206 – Establishing Capital Project No. 592 – Ulster County Law Enforcement Center Fire Alarm & Heating/Cooling Controls Upgrade — Department Of Public Works (Buildings & Grounds)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution establishes Capital Project No. 592 for the replacement of the fire alarm system and heating and cooling controls at the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center in the amount of \$600,000, and amends the Capital Fund Budget accordingly.

Resolution No. 208 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$357,624.14 Entered Into By The County – ADT Commercial, LLC D/B/A Red Hawk Fire & Security (NY) – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with ADT Commercial LLC D/B/A Red Hawk Fire & Security (NY) from June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022 for replacement of the fire alarm system at the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center in the amount of \$357,624.14.

Resolution No. 209 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$208,300.00 Entered Into By The County – Eastern Heating & Cooling, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with Eastern Heating & Cooling, Inc. from June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022 for upgrade of auto logic HVAC controls at the Ulster County Law Enforcement Center in the amount of \$208,300.00.

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Donaldson

Discussion: Legislator Walter expressed desire to analyze environmental alternatives when pursuing heating and cooling capital projects.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 10: To approve Resolution No. 210 – Establishing Capital Project No. 569 - Purchase Of County Fleet Vehicles — Department Of Public Works (Central Garage)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution establishes Capital Project No. 569 for the acquisitions to the County Vehicle Fleet necessary for the replacement of existing vehicles because of extensive rust and corrosion in the amount of \$1,217,000.00 and amends the Capital Fund Budget accordingly.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 11: To block Resolutions No. 212, 214, 215,

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and
Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 12: To approve the following Resolutions:

Resolution No. 212 – Amending Capital Project No. 539 – Shawangunk Kill Bridge Rehabilitation In The Town Of Shawangunk (PIN 8762.16) To Increase Funding For Construction – Bridge NY Program – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute Agreements, Certifications Or Reimbursement Requests For Federal Aid On Behalf Of Ulster County With The New York State Department Of Transportation – Department Of Public Works (Highways And Bridges)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution amends Capital Project No. 539 for the construction and construction inspection phases of the Project in the amount of \$2,757,910.94, for a total project cost of \$3,352,910.94, authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute all necessary agreements, certifications, or reimbursement requests for Federal Aid and/or State Aid if available on behalf of Ulster County with the New York State Department of Transportation (NYSDOT) in connection with the advancement or approval of the project, and amends the Capital Fund Budget accordingly.

Resolution No. 214 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$445,470.94 Entered Into By The County – Hudson Valley Engineering Associates, P.C. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Hudson Valley Engineering Associates, P.C. to expand the scope of engineering services agreement for the replacement of the Shawangunk Kill Bridge to include construction inspection services from June 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022 in the amount of \$1,005,925.94.

Resolution No. 215 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$2,312,440.00 Entered Into By The County – ING Civil, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with ING Civil, Inc. from June 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022 for construction services for the replacement of the Shawangunk Kill Bridge in the amount of \$2,312,440.00.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and
Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 13: To approve Resolution No. 216 – Amending Capital Project No. 550 –
Fairground Improvements – Amending The 2021 Capital Fund Budget – Department Of Public
Works (Buildings & Grounds)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution amends Capital Project No. 550 to increase the funding available for design services for development of a disinfection system for the Fairgrounds' sand filter waste water discharge as required by New York State Department of Environmental Conservation in the amount of \$14,500.00, and a total project cost of \$132,900.00, and amends the Capital Fund Budget accordingly.

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Donaldson

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and
Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 14: To approve Resolution No. 218 – Approving An Increase In Funding For Design
And Construction Services Of Campus-Wide HVAC Installation Related To Capital Project No.
542 – HVAC Upgrades Campus-Wide, And Amending The 2021 Ulster County Capital Fund –
Ulster County Community College

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves an increase in funding for design and construction services of campus-wide HVAC installation related to Capital Project No. 542.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and
Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 15: To approve Resolution No. 221 – Rescinding Resolution No. 175 Of 2021, And Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$75,000.00 Entered Into By The County – United Way Of Ulster County Inc. – Office Of Employment And Training

Resolution Summary: This Resolution rescinds Resolution No. 175 of 2021 and approves the execution of a contract amendment, for \$75,000 and one additional year, with United Way of Ulster County for a year-round youth employment program.

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Donaldson

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and
Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 16: To approve Resolution No. 222 – Rescinding Resolution No. 176 Of 2021, And Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$288,210.00 Entered Into By The County – United Way Of Ulster County Inc. – Office Of Employment And Training

Resolution Summary: This Resolution rescinds Resolution No. 176 of 2021 and approves the execution of a contract amendment, for \$288,210 and one additional year, with United Way of Ulster County for summer youth employment program.

Motion Made By: Legislator Maio
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Donaldson

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and
Legislative Chairman Donaldson
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 17: To approve Resolution No. 223 – Establishing Capital Project No. 587 –
Technology Upgrade Infrastructure - Department Of Information Services

Resolution Summary: This Resolution establishes Capital Project No. 587 for “Technology Upgrade” in the amount of \$785,668 to replace and upgrade the County’s network infrastructure with network equipment that is up-to-date in terms of functionality and manufacturer support and amends the Capital Fund Budget accordingly.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: Legislator Walter confirmed that this is in the Law Enforcement Center.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and
Legislative Chairman Donaldson
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 18: To approve Resolution No. 225 – Establishing Capital Project No. 588 –
Personal Computer Replacements - Department of Information Services

Resolution Summary: This Resolution establishes Capital Project No. 558 to replace personal computers for \$185,056.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and
Legislative Chairman Donaldson
Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 19: To approve Resolution No. 227 – Amending Capital Project 568 - Electric Bus Charging Infrastructure Project—Authorizing The Chair Of The Legislature To Execute An Amended Customer Project Commitment With New York Power Authority And Amending Capital Project 568- Department Of Public Transportation (Ulster County Area Transit)

Resolution Summary: This Resolution amends Capital Project 568, Electric Bus Charging Infrastructure Project, for \$501,624 to adjust the layout and include considerations for future transit fleet electrification.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Archer

Discussion: Chairman Gavaris requested that the Deputy Executives consider upgrading this charging station to the super charger upon reflection of the Recovery Funding to be received.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 20: To approve Resolution No. 230 – Authorizing The Chair Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Intermunicipal Agreement With The Town Of New Paltz For Administration Of A Naloxone Training Website And Delivery Of Narcan To Ulster County Residents – Department Of Health

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to execute an intermunicipal agreement with the Town of New Paltz for the administration of a Naloxone training website and delivery of Narcan to Ulster County residents.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson
Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 21: To approve Resolution No. 231 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$210,254.00 Entered Into By The County – Liberty Resources, Inc. – Department Of Social Services

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with Liberty Resources, Inc. from April 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021 for Multi Systemic Therapy Services in the amount of \$210,254.00.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Haynes

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 22: To approve Resolution No. 232 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$185,000.00 Entered Into By The County – The Hudson Valley National Center For Veteran Reintegration Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract with Veteran Reintegration Inc. from April 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021 for peer to peer support services for veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress syndrome, other related stress disorders, or have counseling needs using small group peer to peer counseling methods in the amount of \$185,000.00.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 23: To approve Resolution No. 233 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$25,161.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Mental Health Association in Ulster County, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Mental Health Association in Ulster County, Inc. to increase the not-to-exceed amount for New York State Office of Mental Health State Aid funding from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 for an additional \$25,161.00, making the contract total \$2,069,824.00.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 24: To postpone Resolution No. 234 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$8,080.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – PEOPLE: Projects to Empower and Organize the Psychiatrically Labeled, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment to increase not-to-exceed amount for New York State Office of Mental Health State Aid from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 for an additional \$8,080.00, making the contract total \$321,056.00.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maio

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 25: To postpone Resolution No. 235 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$12,120.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. – Department Of Mental Health

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Rehabilitation Support Services, Inc. to increase the not-to-exceed amount for New York State Office of Mental Health and Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services State Aid from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 for an additional \$12,120.00, making the contract total \$702,311.00.

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 26: To approve Resolution No. 236 – Authorizing The Conveyance Of County-Owned Properties To The Original Owners – Department Of Finance

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the Commissioner of Finance to accept payment as set forth therein with respect to the included parcels, and upon receipt of such payment with respect to each parcel, authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to make, execute, and deliver to the owner making payment, a quitclaim deed conveying the interest of the County in the parcel.

Motion Made By: Legislator Bartels

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Donaldson

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

Votes Abstained: Legislator Gavaris

No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0
No. of Votes Abstained: 1
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 27: To approved Resolution No. 237 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$55,200.00 Entered Into By The County – Capital Market Advisors, LLC – Legislature

Resolution Summary: This Resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment with Capital Market Advisors, LLC to extend the term of agreement for external analysis of the County Executive’s proposed budget from January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021 for an additional \$55,200.00, making the contract total \$110,400.00.

Motion Made By: Legislator Archer
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 28: To block Resolutions No. 238, 239, and 240

Motion Made By: Legislator Haynes
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Archer

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 7

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 29: To postpone the following Resolutions:

Resolution No. 238 – Adopting Revised Ulster County Fund Balance Policy

Resolution Summary: This Resolution adopts the County of Ulster Fund Balance Policy as amended and attached.

Resolution No. 239 – Replenishing The Tax Stabilization Reserve Fund Of The County Of Ulster

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes and directs the Commissioner of Finance to make a transfer totaling \$1,450,562.72 from unassigned fund balance to the Tax Stabilization Reserve Fund.

Resolution No. 240 – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 2 Of 2021, A Local Law Requiring The Payment Of A Living Wage To Employees Of Contractors And Subcontractors That Provide Services To Ulster County, To Be Held On Tuesday, June 15, 2021 At 7:05 PM

Resolution Summary: This Resolution sets a public hearing for Tuesday, June 15, 2021 at 7:05 PM in the Legislative Chambers, Ulster County Office Building, 6th Floor, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, NY, and/or via videoconference to the extent allowable pursuant to existing New York State Legislation, on Proposed Local Law No. 2 of 2021.

Motion Made By: Legislator Haynes
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Archer

Discussion: Legislator Bartels asked about the status of the cost estimation for Resolution No. 240 from the County Executive’s office, requesting to see these calculations. Chairman Gavaris stated that the estimate was over a million dollars. Deputy County Executive John Milgrim informed the Committee that a survey of selected vendors was conducted, saying that the largest impact came from Family of Woodstock who said this would result in a \$700,000.00 impact. Legislator Bartels asked if a breakout was provided from Family of Woodstock. Deputy County Executive Milgrim confirmed that no breakout was provided and that only an estimate from the Organization’s Executive Director was given. Legislator Bartels requested a better understanding of these numbers, questioning what these employees are being paid currently. Legislator Walter agreed and requested these values be substantiated. Further, Legislator Walter acknowledged the intent that the County conduct business with Organizations who are paying a minimum wage.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, Maio, and Walter; and Legislative Chairman Donaldson
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Postponed

Old Business: None

New Business:

2022 Departmental Budget Request for Non-County Contract Agency Funding

Chairman Gavaris informed the Committee that Legislator Ronk requested this conversation be postponed for the next upcoming Regular meeting of the Ways & Means Committee. No objections were vocalized.

Chairman Gavaris asked the members if there was any other business, and hearing none;

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Donaldson
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels
No. of Votes in Favor: 7
No. of Votes Against: 0

Time: 5:27 PM

Respectfully submitted: Amber Feaster
Minutes Approved: June 8, 2021

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Alicia DeMarco; Patricia Doxsey, Daily Freeman; Sheriff Juan
Figueroa; Penny Coleman, Ulster Immigrant Defense Network

Chairman Gavaris: Okay, Legislator Parete will most likely not be on tonight. So can I get a motion for approval of the minutes of the April 13th and April 20th regular meetings?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: I'll move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Second? Legislator Walter. All those in favor?

Group: Aye. Aye.

Chairman Gavaris: Any opposed? So carried.

Resolutions. Resolutions 198, 199, and 200 are pretty similar. Can I have somebody motion for a block?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Yeah, I'll motion to block those, there.

Chairman Gavaris: Second?

Legislator Walter: Second it.

Chairman Gavaris: Legislator Walter. Okay. Any discussion? Legislator Bartels.

Legislator Bartels: Thank you. So I, you know, I, we spoke to the Sheriff briefly in the, in the, in the committee chairs meeting. And I, I've long understood and believe that there is a difference in terms of what we're trying to achieve with our school resource officers and the fact, and I respect the fact that our school districts, the ones before us, are the ones requesting them. And that the, the Sheriff in particular is, is really working to create a different environment and a different relationship between the officers and the students and to, to start to start that relationship young.

That said, I've, and I've been on record with this before I really do, I really do struggle with this. I struggle with weapons in schools, you know, I've been attempting and the time since the since this was before this, this was submitted to do some research, you know, and I, I actually found an article in The New York Times that I could quote from that, that speaks to the fact that really, the emergence of school resource officers in schools nationwide started in the 90s. And that's, you know, that there's not really been a well-established study linking their presence to a reduction in gun violence. And as a parent, I have concerns about the gun just being in the school, my child does not go to a school, with a school resource officer, but I'm giving this long-winded explanation to say that I just have long struggled with this. And I'm, I'm going to be a no tonight, but I'm not going to stop doing my work. And my research, even in this next coming week. And I'll probably see the Sheriff's just joined us, but I'll probably reach out to the Sheriff to, to talk to him personally. And again, I, I want to acknowledge the, the work that he and his office and his officers are doing. And just to say that again, I really this is something that I have a personal struggle with. And I'm not gonna be able to support it tonight. But we'll see where I am next week.

Chairman Gavaris: Thank you. Legislator Walter.

Chairwoman Walter: Thank you. So you may have seen that I did oppose this in Law Enforcement & Public Safety. I'm not going to repeat, but I do agree with a lot that Legislator Bartels said. I'd add that I'm totally supportive of creating a stronger, healthier environment between law enforcement and our youth. And I would love to see programs and activities and I'd love to pay for programs and activities that really have law enforcement engaged with youth. Especially at risk youth, YMCA, YWCA, Boys and Girls Club. I think that would all be terrific. I have no issue with that. I, my children did go to one of these schools that have this, or still do go to one of these schools with the SRO. I, I don't feel that there's any, I'll say more probably on the floor, but as I said, in Law Enforcement, I don't feel that they are, are truly a part of public safety needs in what the reality of the public safety needs are. And they do send a message to the youth as what started in the 90s, that our response to school shootings was not to improve our mental health services for kids at risk, but to instead turn many of our schools into places where it seemed like the children were the ones at risk are the ones we're worried about. So I will be a no also.

Chairman Gavaris: Okay. Legislator Archer.

Legislator Archer: Yes, through the Chair to the Sheriff. Thank you for joining, but did I hear correctly that the Kingston SRO has been pulled?

Sheriff Figueroa: I have not, Good evening everyone, and thanks for having me. I am not aware of the City of Kingston. I'm strictly talking about the Sheriff's Office

Legislator Archer: Okay, oh so

Sheriff Figueroa: Onteora, and, and BOCES so I'm not sure about the, about the City of Kingston. I will say, if I may Chair, Mr. Chair, the the only way that law enforcement and our youth can get together is to see them at a younger age. And the SRO program that we have in place is absolutely amazing. This is paid by the local school districts not by, by us here at the county. They are requested, they get interviewed, and they are selected by the parents, by the school board. And the SRO's that we have, are, are different type of SRO, like I stated in my earlier comment. And yes, there are dangers of schools that we've all seen in other areas in the past with school shootings, and yet I'm I'm hopeful that that would never ever happen here. But we're in the what if business? And and I believe, and I can go back to my story of going into Dunkin Donuts where a mother said, you better behave, or I'm going to tell the Trooper. You know, instead I turned around and, and bought a doughnut for the kid because I'm not a bad guy. And we need to humanize the the Office of, of Sheriff and those in uniform. I would ask those in positions of authority to ask the people in the specific schools that we're talking about, to ask them what their decisions are as they pay taxes for those schools. And ask them how they feel about their SRO's? Because I have, and thank you for giving me a moment.

Chairman Gavaris: You're welcome. Any other discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So it looks like two opposed, alright carried. Thank you.

Resolution: 201 Authorizing the Chair of the Legislature to execute and agreement with Port of Homeland Security, FEMA, for port security grant. Can I have a motion?

Legislator Walter: I'll move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Walter. Second? Legislator Bartels. Any discussion?

I do have a question on it. It says in the resolution that the submission deadline is the 14th. How, how do we accomplish that if we can formally approve this until the meeting?

Sheriff Figueroa: I was a, so this particular grant is for the upgrading of our radio systems for the boat to include the new boat that we have with the, and this is coming from the Port Authority and the United States Coast Guard. It is also to purchase some drones, which our

drones are outdated, and the drones are used for the North Atlantic, the North Hudson Excuse me, I'm thinking about my place in Maine, but the North Hudson Task Force, and the drones are used to locate ice in choke points in the Hudson River. The Hudson River is a major commercial highway for a lot of things that go up and down. For the purposes of home heating, or you know many products that go up the Hudson, to include the close to 42 nautical miles that we have on Hudson River, our partnership with the, the United States Coast Guard isn't, is extremely important. I just went down to their change of command, the new Captain of the Port. And their say is usually the most important when it comes to this port security grant even though we kind of submitted it a little late, I was hoping that the Legislature would allow us and give us the permission to put in for this grant.

Chairman Gavaris: Thank you I just my question, I guess really is more of it says the deadline is the 14th. But we wouldn't actually formally approve this until the 18th. It was more of a procedural question. I guess. And there's no answer tonight. That's fine. But I didn't know if, how this works.

Chair Donaldson.

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Does that mean you, Sheriff, does that mean you can, you just put it in already and we're just going to approve it sort of after the fact but that's okay, if it's a deadline issue.

Sheriff Figueroa: It, it was a deadline issue. And we had submitted it and push it in for a resolution to get permission to apply for it. But of course at the Legislature says no, then it's a no. We would we, we would just tell them if they ever approved it that we're not, that we're not we can't do it because the let the Legislature denied it.

Chairman Gavaris: Okay. All right. Thank you. Any other discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

203: Amending the 2021 Ulster County Budget to adjust the annual salary of the Opioid Use Disorder System Specialists through County Sheriff's Department, as presented before you. Can I have a motion?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: I'll move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Chair Donaldson. Second? Legislator Bartels. Any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

203: Amending the 2021 Ulster County budget to adjust the annual salary of the Assistant Warden. Can I have a motion?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: I'll move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Second? Legislator Walter.

Legislator Walter: Oh that's 204, clarifying.

Chairman Gavaris: You had discussion Legislator Walter?

Legislator Walter: No I was just clarifying it's 204.

Chairman Gavaris: 204, yes.

Legislator Walter: Okay, I thought I heard 203. Sorry.

Chairman Gavaris: No. Is there a discussion beside Legislator Walter? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

205: Approving the con, the execution of a contract amendment of \$8,640, causing the aggregate to be over \$50,000 for Touch Legal, Inc.

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: I'll move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Second? Legislator Maio. Discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

Can I get a motion to block 206, 208, and 209?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: For the block.

Chairman Gavaris: Legislator Maio. Second, Chair Donaldson. Discussion? Legislator Archer. No discussion? Legislator Walter.

Legislator Walter: Are we voting to block it first? Or.

Chairman Gavaris: Yeah.

Legislator Walter: Okay.

Chairman Gavaris: All those in favor of the block? Okay.

Legislator Walter: Now I

Chairman Gavaris: On the block. Legislator Walter.

Legislator Walter: So, um, I also talked about this in Law Enforcement & Public Safety. I'm just hopeful. And I'm not, I'm gonna vote in favor of this. But that going forward, all of these efforts to improve heating, cooling all this, that we really are taking a serious look at how we, what we can do to really green our buildings. And again, I'm not going to vote against this, but I would I you know, I think it's time we start and I hope that any subsequent movement of, of improvements to the law enforcement building, really do have some innovative greening.

Chairman Gavaris: Any other discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

Resolution 210: Establishing Capital Project No. 569, Purchase of fleet vehicles, Department of Public Works. Can I have a motion?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: I'll move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Chair Donaldson. Second, Legislator Maio. Any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

Two, can I have a motion to block to 212, 214, and 215?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Motion.

Chairman Gavaris: Chair Donaldson. Second, Legislator Bartels. On the block? In favor? Opposed? All right, on the resolutions. Any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? Opposed, Legislator Archer, you're opposed? No. Okay. So carried.

Legislator Archer: In favor.

Chairman Gavaris: Thank you, a little delayed.

216: Amending Capital Project No. 550, fairgrounds improvement Can I have a motion?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: I'll, I'll move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Legislator Maio. Second, Chair Donaldson, any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

218: Approving an increase in funding for design and construction of campus wide HVAC, relocated to related to

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Second? Maio. Any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

221: Rescinding Resolution Number 175 and 2021. Can I have a motion? Legislator Maio. Second, Chair Donaldson. Discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

222: Rescinding Resolution 176 of 2021. Motion? Legislator Maio.

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Move it.

Chair Donaldson. Discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

223: Establishing Capital Project 587, technology upgrades. Motion?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: I'll move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Chair Donaldson. Second, Maio. Any discussion? Discussion, Legislator Walter.

Legislator Walter: Thanks, just is this the, again the law enforcement computers?

Deputy Executive Rider: I'm trying to get down there, I, I believe it is.

Legislator Walter: So we had asked at the Chair's meeting just for clarification because we had just approved what we thought were all of the computer needs and just to, you were gonna check on

Legislator Walter: [inaudible]

Deputy Executive Rider: We haven't brought this, that it was just the discussion seemed familiar because it was raised around the Ways & Means.

Legislator Walter: Right, right, thank you,

Deputy Executive Rider: Right.

Legislator Walter: My memory is this long.

Chairman Gavaris: Any other discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So moved.

225: Establishing Capital Improvement Project 588.

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: I'll move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Second? Maio. Any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So moved.

227: Amending the capital improvement project 568, the electric bus charging station. Can I have a motion?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Second? Legislator Archer. Any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

230:

Actually, can we go back for a second? You know, this is something I was going to discuss at our next meeting on Thursday. But you know, this is maybe a good time to bring this up. I know we were only putting in the, you aren't putting the supercharging station because of the cost. Perhaps you want to consider that now, we have the infrastructure money. So if I could ask the Deputy Executives to think about that between now and Thursday's meeting, possibly looking at upgrading the charging station too, if it's possible, just if you can keep that in mind. Thank you. All right.

230: Authorizing the Chair of the Legislature to enter into an intermunicipal agreement for the town of New Paltz for administration of Naloxone.

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Motion, second Maio. Discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

231: Approving the execution of a contract for \$210,254.00. Can I have a motion?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: I'll move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Second, Chair, Legislator Haynes. All those, any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried. Okay.

232: Approving a contract for, issued \$185,000. Can I have a motion?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Donaldson. Second, Maio. Discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

233: Approving the execution of a contract agreement for \$25,161. Can I have a motion?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: I'll move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Second, Maio. Discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

234: Approving the execution of an agreement, contract agreement for \$8,080. Can I have a motion?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: I'll move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Second, Maio. Discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

235: Approving the execution of a contract amendment for \$12,120. Motion?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: I'll move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Second, Legislator Bartels. Any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried.

236: Authorizing the conveyance of County-owned properties to the original owners. Motion? Legislator Bartels.

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Second, Chair. Any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? I'm going to recuse myself from this vote. Thank you.

237, 238, no, 237: Approving the execution of agreement for amendment for \$55,200. Can I have a motion? Second?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Move it.

Chairman Gavaris: Any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed?

Could I have a motion to postpone 238, 239, and 240 to next week's meeting? Legislator Haynes.

Legislator Haynes: I'll make that motion.

Chairman Gavaris: Legislator Archer. Any discussion? All those in favor? Opposed? So carried. And we were, Legislator Bartels.

Legislator Bartels: Sorry, I didn't realize it went by so fast. 2, can I ask 240 um, where are we at with that? I, I realized we're postponing but since it's on the agenda like what, weren't we waiting on information from the Executive's office? I feel like we've been waiting for months.

Chairman Gavaris: Legislator Parete called me first and said he wasn't able to attend tonight. So he said it was okay with him to be postponed it and Legislator Ronk had reached out and asked if we could postpone it. So I told him [inaudible].

Legislator Bartels: That's fine. But I'm just wondering where's the information from the Executive's office because it was the Executive's office that originally asked to hold it up, something about a assigning dollar figure to the cost.

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Right.

Chairman Gavaris: We received it.

Legislator Bartels: Maybe through you to Deputy Executive Milgrim. Where can we see the financials on it? Because again, now, now we're talking two months since since we held it. I, I understand we're holding it today because Legislator Parete is not here and Legislator Ronk asked, but I just would like to know where we're at with getting that information.

Chairman Gavaris: We did receive that information, I think it was forwarded to everybody last month. I think we got that just before the second meeting of Ways and Means.

Legislator Bartels: Specific financials? I don't remember seeing specific financial analyses of what this was going to cost.

Chairman Gavaris: It was over a million. [inaudible] one of the Deputies can help but I believe it was \$1.2, is the number that's the end of my head. Deputy Exec Milgrim.

Deputy Executive Milgrim: Yeah, yeah, through the Chair to Legislator Bartels, Tracey the the figures were obtained through a survey of some of the larger contracts, we have with companies through a some not for profits, and some for profits through DSS and DPW. We didn't do every single contract, we wanted to get an idea. But just from, you know, kind of a smart review of the contracts we determined. DPW, I think we looked at six different companies that we do business with, there was a kind of a de minimis amount of about \$25,000 of an impact. The biggest impact came from Michael Berg, who indicate this would be a \$775,000 impact on contracts with the county. This is an annualized basis for Family of Woodstock services. That would include, you know, raising some wages of people making under \$15 an hour, as well as costs that they would end up passing along, of, of other increased wages to make up for the lower wages coming up to \$15. There were also, the other large hit was the YWCA of I believe about \$150,000, there was a \$27,000 hit from Gateway Community Industries. That was the meals for the elderly program. So that's based off of the CEOs, or executive staff of each of those entities.

But ultimately, through that survey, from the biggest contracts, that would end up being about a million dollars, annualized.

Legislator Bartels: Can, can I ask a follow-on question?

Chairman Gavaris: Sure.

Legislator Bartels: So again, did you use Michael Berg as an example, since that's the, the largest number, the \$775k. Did he provide a breakout, because I mean, I just find this so difficult to grasp, given that that would mean that potentially a majority of his employees are making minimum wage, which right now, I believe is \$12.50. So the difference between minimum wage and \$15. If you were to, to run that, you're talking about, you know, thousands of hours, of, of thousands of work hours at minimum wage. I mean, what percentage of his workforce is paid minimum wage?

Chairman Gavaris: Go ahead Deputy Exec.

Deputy Executive Milgrim: Respectfully, it, it's, according to Michael Berg, it's not just the raising of those making from \$12.50 to \$15. It's also across the board, their supervisors, their peers. He said, this is based on the CEO of the company, that the contracts the county would pay, annualized, would be \$775k, based on the increases of salaries, not just the ones from \$12.50 or \$13, to \$15, but every other increase that he believes he would have to incur, to make up for that cost. So he didn't give a specific breakdown on individuals or, or kind of a macro look. It was the workup he did based on our requests. What would this cost the county?

Chairman Gavaris: Legislator Bartels.

Legislator Bartels: Thank you. So I'm, I'm thinking that probably this you know, I appreciate that you sent something over and I will look for it. It was probably the, the week that I was unavailable. So I must have missed it in my inbox. But it, this does kind of begs a bigger question of really understanding what our subcontractors are paying. I mean, it seems, it seems to me, like you know, I would want to, I would want to, I would really want to understand these numbers better, I would want to understand how many employees are making between minimum wage and \$15 an hour. In order to understand because again, running the numbers on how many thousands of hours that is at a maximum of \$2.50 differential, you know, if then you're talking about providing increases in salary all the way up to the top, to supervisory levels, it just, it's the num, I would I'd want to see in support of all these numbers. And I think it's probably important that we that we understand this, how many of our, how many of our contractors and or their subcontractors are paying, you know, well below living wages for work.

Chairman Gavaris: Legislator Walter, you had your hand up before, are you still?

Legislator Walter: Yeah, I'm thank you. I'm, I'm pretty much the same concern. I mean, the feeling of it, is it, is it that bad? Are so many people just not getting, \$15 isn't even living wage. I mean, it's below living wage. So that that's one thing I'm taken aback by is, is it really so so many people, but also I think that idea, you know, I think of a capital project, I think if they're going to up the amount by \$10, \$20, \$30,000, I would really want to make sure we see that that's substantiated. Rather than using this, should it pass, as a just a means to get more money from us without really supporting that. I mean, I think that the, my belief is that the, Legislator's Parete's intent was that we should only be doing businesses with business with companies and organizations that pay a reasonable wage, and so not so much that we should then be pushing more money on them. So you know, but that that's been their philosophy in the first place. So I would definitely want to see it broken down to any existing organization that's asking for more as a result of this.

Chairman Gavaris: All right, well this is postponed to next week. So I guess in the meantime if you have questions directly reach out to the Deputy Execs. [inaudible] and last thing was a sort of new business, under the new policy the legislative programs, is looking for their allotment. Legislator Ronk had also asked if I postpone this, so we will bring this up, actually on Thursday to discuss this as well. But is there any other thing we have to discuss new business?

Chairman Gavaris: All right. Any old business? Can I get a motion to adjourn?

Legislative Chairman Donaldson: Make a motion to adjourn.

Chairman Gavaris: Chair, Legislator Bartels. All those in favor? Opposed? All right, see you all later. Thank you.