

Ways & Means Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

DATE & TIME: June 18, 2019 – 5:30
LOCATION: KL Binder Library, 6th Floor, County Office Building,
244 Fair Street, Kingston, NY
PRESIDING OFFICER: Lynn Archer, Chairwoman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Natalie Kelder
PRESENT: Legislators Richard Gerentine, Mary Beth Maio, James
Maloney, Laura Petit, Hector Rodriguez,
ABSENT: Legislators Joseph Maloney
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislators Julius Collins, Dean Fabiano, Manna Jo Greene,
Herbert Litts, Kathy Nolan, Minority Counsel; David Gordon,
Deputy County Executive; Marc Rider, Planning Department;
Dennis Doyle, Department of Emergency Services; Steve
Peterson, Everett Erichsen, City of Kingston; John Grossbohlh,
Daily Freeman; Pat Doxsey, Residents; Mici Simonofsky, Betty
Diorio

- **Chairwoman Archer called the meeting to order at 5:33 PM**

Motion No. 1: To postpone Resolution No. 15 – Setting A Public Hearing On Proposed Local Law No. 1 Of 2019, A Local Law Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster In Relation To Local Law No. 5 Of 1991 (A Local Law Adopting A Hotel And Motel Room Occupancy Tax) To Clarify The Tax Law’s Application To Short-term And Vacation Rentals, To Be Held On Tuesday, July 9, 2019 At 6:00 PM

Resolution Summary: This Resolution sets a public hearing on Proposed Local Law No. 1 Of 2019, A Local Law Amending The Code Of The County Of Ulster In Relation To Local Law No. 5 Of 1991 (A Local Law Adopting A Hotel And Motel Room Occupancy Tax) To Clarify The Tax Law’s Application To Short-term And Vacation Rentals, To Be Held On Tuesday, June 18, 2019 At 7:00 PM in the Legislative Chambers, Ulster County Office Building, 6th Floor, 244 Fair Street, Kingston, NY.

Motion Made By: Legislator Rodriguez
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Gerentine

Discussion: Legislator Rodriguez moved to postpone the Resolution as the sponsor was not present.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Archer, Gerentine, Maio, Maloney (James), Petit and Rodriguez
Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Postponed

Motion No. 2: To postpone Resolution No. 178 – Increasing The Employee Contribution Towards The Cost Of Health Insurance Benefits For New Hire Management Non Union Employees

Resolution Summary: This resolution increases the employee contribution toward the cost of health insurance benefits for new hire management non-union employees to 20% of the premium.

Motion Made By: Legislator Rodriguez
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney, James

Discussion: Legislator Rodriguez moved to postpone the Resolution as the sponsor was not present.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Archer, Gerentine, Maio, Maloney (James), Petit and Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 6

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Postponed

Motion No. 3: To approve Resolution No. 236 – Amending Capital Project No. 483 – Public Safety Training Center To Increase Funding For Construction – Department Of Public Works (Buildings And Grounds)

Resolution Summary: This resolution amends Capital Project No. 483 to increase funding for the construction services of the Public Safety Training Center and site work plus contingencies in keeping with the results of the request for bid # UC19-142C. Additional \$6,234,855.00, NYS Dormitory Authority \$2,275,500.00, County \$3,959,355.00. A Bond Resolution Will Be Required.

Motion Made By: Legislator Gerentine
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Petit

Discussion: Legislator James Maloney discussed the history of this project and the training session completed by himself, Legislator Maio, and Legislator Greene. He applauded the work that the firefighters do and the importance of their services in our community.

Legislator Rodriguez commented on the escalation of costs overtime and there may be unintended consequences and costs associated with a delay.

Legislator Gerentine thanked everyone involved in this project over the years. He noted that the cost of the project is more than anticipated, however, it is an important project that must be done.

Legislator Petit pointed out the public supports this project as well as the legislature.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Archer, Gerentine, Maio, Maloney (James), Petit and Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 4: To approve Resolution No. 237 – Authorizing The Issuance Of An Additional \$6,234,855 Bonds Of The County Of Ulster, New York, To Pay Part Of The Cost Of Construction Of A Public Safety Training Center, In And For Said County

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the issuance of \$6,234,855.00 Bonds for the Ulster County Public Safety Training Center.

Motion Made By: Legislator Gerentine
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Rodriguez

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Archer, Gerentine, Maio, Maloney (James), Petit and Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 5: To approve Resolution No. 238 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – C.T. Male Associates Engineering, Surveying, Architecture, Landscape Architecture & Geology, D.P.C. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment #3 with C.T. Male Associates Engineering, Surveying, Architecture, Landscape Architecture & Geology,

D.P.C. to expand the scope of design services work for the Public Safety Training Center to include construction administration, observation and testing, inspections and storm water pollution prevention plan. Original Amt. \$341.4K, Amd. Amt. \$182.2K, Total \$523.6K. County 50%, Other 50%. Amended Term 5/14/19-12/31/19.

Motion Made By: Legislator Maloney, James
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Gerentine

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Archer, Gerentine, Maio, Maloney (James), Petit and Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 6

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 6: To approve Resolution No. 239 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Profex Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Profex Inc. for a portion of the general construction work for the Public Safety Training Center – contract #5 – site work and Public Safety Training Center. 50% County \$2,700,000.00, 50% Other \$2,700,000.00, Est. Timeframe 7/1/2019 – 8/30/2020.

Motion Made By: Legislator Petit
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney, James

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Archer, Gerentine, Maio, Maloney (James), Petit and Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 6

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 7: To approve Resolution No. 240 – Approving The Execution Of A Contract In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – Foremost Electric Corporation – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract with Foremost Electric Corporation for a portion of the general construction work for the Public Safety Training

Center (Contract #6 – electrical site construction) \$66,750.00, 50% County \$33.4K, 50% Other \$33.4K, Est. Timeframe 7/1/19 – 8/30/20.

Motion Made By: Legislator Petit
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Gerentine

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Archer, Gerentine, Maio, Maloney (James), Petit and Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 6

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 8: To approve Resolution No. 242 – Authorizing The Cost Of A Stream Remediation And Flood Resiliency Project Of Bushkill Stream Along County Road No. 139 (Watson Hollow Road), In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$200,000, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$200,000 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the issuance of \$200,000.00 Bonds for Capital Project No. 547 for flood resiliency work at the Bushkill Bridge and County Rd. 139.

Motion Made By: Legislator Gerentine
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Maloney, James

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Archer, Gerentine, Maio, Maloney (James), Petit and Rodriguez

Voting Against: None

No. of Votes in Favor: 6

No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 9: To approve Resolution No. 252 – Authorizing The Purchase Of Technology Equipment For Ulster County Community College/SUNY Ulster, In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$300,000, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$300,000 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof

Resolution Summary: This resolution authorizes the issuance of \$300,000.00 of Bonds related to Capital Project #546 – Technology Upgrades for SUNY Ulster.

Motion Made By: Legislator Gerentine

Motion Seconded By: Legislator Rodriguez
Discussion: None
Voting In Favor: Legislators Archer, Gerentine, Maio, Maloney (James), Petit and Rodriguez
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

New Business: None

Old Business: Legislator Petit explained that there have been some members of the public who have reached out regarding the Ashokan Rail Trail. Legislator James Maloney will be setting up a meeting in the coming week or two.

Legislator Petit also questioned the status of the Eisner Amper Technology Report. Chairwoman Archer explained that this has been under review in Economic Development. An updated technology policy has been received and is being reviewed.

Chairwoman Archer asked if there was any other business or questions. There being no further business before the Committee, a motion was made to adjourn.

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Rodriguez
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Gerentine
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0

Time: 5:44 PM

Respectfully submitted: Natalie Kelder
Minutes Approved: July 9, 2019