

## Ways & Means Committee Regular Meeting Minutes

**DATE & TIME:** October 30, 2018 – 3:00  
**LOCATION:** KL Binder Library, 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, County Office Building,  
244 Fair Street, Kingston, NY  
**PRESIDING OFFICER:** Richard Gerentine, Chairman  
**LEGISLATIVE STAFF:** Amber Feaster  
**PRESENT:** Legislators Laura Petit (arrived at 3:15), Lynn Archer,  
Tracey Bartels, Craig V. Lopez, James F. Maloney  
**ABSENT:** Legislators Mary Beth Maio, and Joseph Maloney  
**QUORUM PRESENT:** Yes  
**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Legislator Hector Rodriguez; Ken Crannell, Deputy County  
Executive; Burt Gulnick, Commissioner of Finance; Marc Rider,  
Deputy County Executive; Evan Gallo, Deputy Comptroller;  
Christopher DeMeo, Director of Internal Audit and Control;  
Nina Postupack, County Clerk; Ed Jordan, Director of  
Purchasing; Sheree Cross, Director of Personnel; Dr. Gerald  
Benjamin, The Benjamin Center at SUNY New Paltz

- **Chairman Gerentine called the meeting to order at 3:05 PM**

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**County Clerk, Nina Postupack** spoke from 3:05 to 3:20 providing an overview of the County Clerk's budget, including the volume of what the offices do and the monies they collect, answering any Committee questions.

**Director of Planning, Ed Jordan** spoke from 3:20 to 3:40 providing a description of the department, an overview of the volume of transactions they complete, and a line item review of revenues and appropriations, explaining two changes in regular wages requested within the 2019 Executive Recommended Budget and answering any Committee questions.

**Director of Personnel, Sheree Cross** spoke from 3:40 to 3:50 providing a line item review of staffing and appropriations, answering any Committee questions.

**Commissioner of Finance, Burt Gulnick** spoke from 3:50 to 4:00 providing an overview of Real Property, including an update on staffing, a description of what the Department does, and the reasons behind increases in appropriations, answering any Committee questions.

**Commissioner of Finance, Burt Gulnick** spoke from 4:00 to 4:30 providing an overview of the Finance Department, including an update on staffing, reasons for the proposed increases in contractual expenditures, and a description of revenues and appropriations and anticipated changes in revenues, answering any Committee questions.

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**New Business:** Chairman Gerentine and the Committee wished Legislator Lopez a happy birthday.

Chairman Gerentine introduced Dr. Benjamin of The Benjamin Center. Discussion pursued on the timeline and the scope of work to be completed by The Benjamin Center as the Legislature's external budget analysts.

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**Old Business:** None

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Chairman Gerentine 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 Maloney (James)  
**Motion Seconded By:** Legislator Archer  
**No. of Votes in Favor:** 6  
**No. of Votes Against:** 0

**Time:** 4:34 PM

**Respectfully submitted:** Amber Feaster  
**Minutes Approved:** November 13, 2018