

**Ways &
Means Committee
Regular Meeting Minutes**

DATE & TIME: November 16, 2021 – 5:30
LOCATION: Legislative Chambers, 6th Floor, County Office Building
PRESIDING OFFICER: John Gavaris, Chairman
LEGISLATIVE STAFF: Natalie Kelder, Amber Feaster
PRESENT: Legislators Kenneth J. Ronk, Jr., Lynn Archer (via zoom), Tracey Bartels (via zoom), Heidi Haynes, and Eve Walter
ABSENT: Legislators Mary Beth Maio and John Parete
QUORUM PRESENT: Yes
OTHER ATTENDEES: Legislator Abe Uchitelle; Clerk of the Legislature, Victoria Fabella, Deputy County Executives Marc Rider, and John Milgrim; Comptroller March Gallagher; Deputy Comptroller Alicia DeMarco

- **Chairman Gavaris called the meeting to order at 5:34 PM**

Motion No. 1: To discuss Resolution No. 505, as amended – ~~Rescinding Resolution No. 333 Of 2021, And Establishing Special Revenue Projects For Transparent ARPA Reporting – Amending The 2021 Capital Fund Budget~~

Resolution Summary: This Resolution requires consistent and transparent reporting, for each Capital Project Number to be assigned to a specific project, and that all ARPA-related reports and journal entries be submitted to the Clerk of the Legislature, with future reports to be provided no later than ten (10) business days following a submission’s due date.

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Bartels

Discussion: Legislator Ronk stated that an agreement was made with the Commissioner of Finance and Legislator Bartels to amend the resolution to include only the reporting requirements. In addition, the Commissioner of Finance agreed to submit resolutions in December to move anything from the Capital Fund that is not Capitalizable.

Legislator Bartels added that she believes this compromise is a good intermediately step and looks forward to discussing the December resolutions with Commissioner Gulnick.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Ronk, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, and Walter
Voting Against: None

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

Motion No. 2: To approve Resolution No. 517 - Authorizing The Design Phase Expenditures For Retrofit Lighting At The Department Of Social Services Building On Development Court, In And For The County Of Ulster, New York, At A Maximum Estimated Cost Of \$55,000.00, And Authorizing The Issuance Of \$55,000.00 Bonds Of Said County To Pay The Cost Thereof

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the issuance of \$55,000 of Bonds for Capital Project No. 611 – Development Court Lighting Retrofit for use of an outside contractor to design the retrofit of approximately 1,300 lighting fixtures at development court to LED lamps utilizing energy efficient rebates when available.

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Ronk, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, and Walter
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 3: To approve Resolution No. 519 - Authorizing The Issuance Of An Additional \$19,560.00 Bonds Of The County Of Ulster, New York, To Pay Part Of The Preliminary Engineering/Design Expenses In Connection With The Reconstruction Of The Foundation At The County's Department Of Social Services Building, In And For Said County

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the issuance of \$19,560 of Bonds for Capital Project No. 548, Department Of Social Services Basement Restoration, to enter into a contract amendment to design a hydrostatic relief system to help address the water infiltration with the potential to decrease total project costs.

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Ronk, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, and Walter
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0

Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 4: To approve Resolution No. 521 - Authorizing The Issuance Of An Additional \$743,847.00 Bonds Of The County Of Ulster, New York, To Pay Part Of The Replacement Of The Samsonville Road Culvert In The Town Of Rochester, In And For Said County

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes the issuances of \$743,847 of Bonds for Capital Project No. 540 to cover the additional costs of preliminary engineering, right of way incidental, and construction phases.

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Ronk, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, and Walter
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 5: To approve Resolution No. 528 - Authorizing The Issuance Of \$3,150,000.00 Bonds Of The County Of Ulster, New York, To Pay Part Of The Cost Of The Upgrade To The Countywide Radio System, For Said County

Resolution Summary: This Resolution authorizes \$3,150,000 of Bonds for Capital Project No. 482 – Countywide Radio System for components of the radio system buildout including base stations, antennas, cabling, and racking, as well as Dispatch Consoles and new 911 phone system.

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: Legislator Bartels confirmed that this is a different provider than was most recently used.

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Ronk, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, and Walter
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 6: To approve Resolution No. 538 – Approving The Memorandum Of Agreement Between The County Of Ulster And The Ulster County Sheriff’s Employee Association, For The Years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 And 2024 – Amending The 2021 Ulster County Budget

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the Memorandum of Agreement (MOU) covering the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2024 between the County of Ulster and the Ulster County Sheriff’s Employee Association Agreement (UCSEA), authorizes the County Executive to execute a Collective Bargaining Agreement with UCSEA in accordance with the executed MOA, and amends the 2021 Operating Budget accordingly for an additional 2021 appropriation dollars of \$752,836.00

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Ronk, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, and Walter
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 7: To block Resolution No. 539 and 540 -

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Ronk, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, and Walter
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

Motion No. 8: To approve the following Resolutions:

Resolution No 539: Approving The Execution Of A Contract Amendment For \$19,921.00, Causing The Aggregate Contract Plus Amendment Amount To Be In Excess Of \$50,000.00 Entered Into By The County – C&S Engineers, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract amendment for \$19,921 with C&S Engineers, Inc. to include construction inspection services for the County Public Safety Radio Tower project, increasing the total contract value to \$98,171.

Resolution No 540: Approving The Execution Of A Contract For \$668,889.00 Entered Into By The County – Patriot Towers, Inc. – Department Of Public Works

Resolution Summary: This resolution approves the execution of a contract for \$668,889, with Patriot Towers, Inc., for construction services for the Ulster County Public Safety Radio Tower.

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter

Discussion: None

Voting In Favor: Legislators Gavaris, Ronk, Archer, Bartels, Haynes, and Walter
Voting Against: None
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0
Disposition: Approved

New Business: None

Old Business: None

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

Adjournment

Motion Made By: Legislator Ronk
Motion Seconded By: Legislator Walter
No. of Votes in Favor: 6
No. of Votes Against: 0

Time: 5:38 PM

Respectfully submitted: Natalie Kelder
Minutes Approved: December 7, 2021