

**ULSTER COUNTY LEGISLATURE
COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

NAME OF COMMITTEE: Criminal Justice & Safety Committee
DATE: October 27, 2009
TIME: 4:45 PM
PLACE: Library Conference Room, 6th Floor, County Office Building

LEGISLATORS PRESENT: Chairman Frank Dart, Legislator Thomas Briggs, Legislator Richard Parete, Legislator Susan Zimet, Legislator James Maloney, Legislator Kenneth Ronk Jr. (Arrived 5:12)

LEGISLATORS ABSENT: Deputy Chairman Paul Hansut

OTHERS ATTENDING: Deputy County Executive Robert Sudlow, Corrections Superintendent James Hanstein, Tom Kadgen (LWV), Tana Agostini (Re-Entry Advocate), Coleman High School Students

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER @ 4:50 PM

APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 22, 2009 MINUTES:

Motion offered by Legislator Maloney, Seconded by Legislator Briggs, All in Favor, Carried.

• **SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - Paul VanBlarcum/Frank Faluotico**

- 1) **Resolution - Draft** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute A Lease Agreement With Michael Paquette, Owner Of Wallkill Body Shop, Inc., For A Substation Of The Ulster County - Ulster County Sheriff

Motion offered by Legislator Briggs, Seconded by Legislator Maloney, All in Favor, Carried.

Discussion: None

- 2) **Resolution - Draft** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Sign A Memorandum Of Understanding And Any Amendments Thereto With The New York State Police For A Program Grant To Partially Fund The Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force -Ulster County Sheriff

Motion offered by Legislator Maloney, Seconded by Legislator Parete, All in Favor, Carried.

Discussion: None

- **PROBATION DEPARTMENT - Melanie Mullins**

- 3) **Resolution - Draft** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The With New York State Division Of Probation And Correctional Alternatives For The Rockefeller Drug Law Stimulus Funding - Amending The 2009 Budget - Department Of Probation

Motion offered by Legislator Maloney, Seconded by Legislator Briggs, All in Favor, Carried.

Discussion: None

- 4) **Resolution - Draft** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Division Of Criminal Justice Services For Funding For The Establishment Or Continuation Of A County Re-Entry Task Force And Enhanced Services Program And Amending The 2009 Ulster County Budget - Department Of Probation

Motion offered by Legislator Briggs, Seconded by Legislator Parete, All in Favor, Carried.

Discussion: None

- **STOP DWI - John Miller**

- 5) **Resolution - Draft** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into Agreements With Various Municipalities For STOP DWI Task Force Patrols For 2010 - Ulster County Stop DWI

Motion offered by Legislator Briggs, Seconded by Legislator Maloney, All in Favor, Carried.

Discussion: None

- 6) **Resolution - Draft** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Enter Into Agreements With Various Municipalities For Supplying Ulster County With Information and Data Concerning DWI Cases In 2010 - Ulster County Stop DWI

Motion offered by Legislator Briggs, Seconded by Legislator Maloney, All in Favor, Carried.

Discussion: None

- 7) **Resolution - Draft** - Approving The Ulster County Stop DWI Program Plan For 2010

Motion offered by Legislator Briggs, Seconded by Legislator Maloney, All in Favor, Carried.

Discussion: None

- **DISTRICT ATTORNEY - SHERIFF - PROBATION**

- 8) **Resolution - Draft** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services - Operation Impact VI - Amending The 2009 Ulster County Budget - District Attorney - County Sheriff - Probation

Motion offered by Legislator Briggs, Seconded by Legislator Maloney, All in Favor, Carried.

Discussion: None

- **EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS / EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - Art Snyder**

- 9) **Resolution - Draft** - Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement And Any Amendments To The Agreement With The New York State Department Of State For Participation In The 2009 Local Enhanced Wireless 911 Program - Department Of Emergency Communications / Emergency Management

Motion offered by Legislator Briggs, Seconded by Legislator Maloney, All in Favor, Carried.

Discussion: None

- **REFERRED BACK TO COMMITTEE**

- 10) **Resolution - Draft** - Requesting Transfer Of Funds From The Contingent Account For Inmate Medical Services - Amending The 2009 Ulster County Budget

Motion offered by Legislator Parete, Seconded by Legislator Briggs, All in Favor, Carried.

Discussion: Deputy County Executive Robert Sudlow and Corrections Superintendent James Hanstein updated the Committee on the above Resolution. (See attached letter dated October 27, 2009 from Deputy County Executive Robert Sudlow addressing inmate Passero's medical costs)

Legislator Briggs asked the question again if the hospital is billing the County at a Medicaid rate. Mr. Sudlow explained that there has been some discussion and the issue is whose responsibility is it to argue that point. His position is that it should be Correctional Medical Care's (CMC) responsibility, and their stance is that it is not in their contract to negotiate the Medicaid rate with the hospital. Mr. Sudlow will address this question to the County Attorney and will update the Committee as to the answer. It appears that the billings are above the Medicaid rate.

- **OLD BUSINESS** - None

- **NEW BUSINESS** - None

Motion to adjourn meeting @ 5:13 PM

Motion offered by Legislator Ronk, Seconded by Legislator Briggs, All in Favor, Carried.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Tammy Wilson,
Senior Legislative Employee**
