

**Herkimer County Legislature  
Ways & Means Committee Meeting  
Wednesday, August 1, 2018  
Legislature Chambers**

**Follows Public Safety & Emergency Management and Ways & Means**

**Persons Attending:**

Patrick E. Russell (Committee Chairman)  
Vincent J. Bono (committee member)  
Frederick J. Shaw, Jr. (committee member)  
Raymond Smith (committee member)  
Kurt J. Ackerman (committee member)  
Raymond Johnson (committee member)  
Bernard Peplinski, Sr., Chairman of the Legislature  
James W. Wallace, Jr., County Administrator  
Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent  
Rob Malone, County Attorney  
Steve Billings, Personnel Officer  
Garry Murphy, Director of Probation  
Kim Enea, County Treasurer  
Jeff Carpenter, District Attorney  
Chris Farber, Sheriff  
Scott Scherer, Undersheriff

**(Non Committee Members Signed In)**

Legislator Gregory Malta, Sr.  
Legislator Mark Gaworecki  
Legislator Robert J. Schrader  
Legislator Bob D. Hollum  
Legislator John P. Stephens  
Legislator William E. Keeler, Sr.  
Legislator Peter Campione  
Legislator William Weakley

**Absent:**

N/A.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

**Items discussed:**

**WAYS AND MEANS:**

1. Accept Reconciliations – County Treasurer
2. Overview of budget – Discussion
3. Approve retirement reporting resolution
4. Set Public Hearing for Mortgage Tax
5. Approve DA request to increase salary for Assistant DA

6. Approve Probation Dept. – Training
7. Approve appropriation for Sheriff’s Dept. – Police Officer Training
8. Approve appropriation for elevator in jail
9. Approve appropriation for Court Ordered Payment
10. Approve 2019 Self Insured Plan
11. Approve Board of Trustees Resolution, #17-24 approving proposed operating budget for 2018-19
12. Approve memorandum of agreement with CSEA regarding campus safety officers
13. Approve settlement for Matter of White v. Herkimer County
14. Gravity Renewables Hydro Project with HCCC – **No Action**
15. Accept offer for Damages to County Guide Rail
16. Approve contract with NYS Canal Corporation for Multi-Purpose Recreational Trail
17. Other – Discussion on purchase of land

**Committee Vote Record:**

**WAYS & MEANS:**

Item #1 – On motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Johnson, Item #1 was voted on and approved. Unanimous.

Item #2 – Discussion Only.

Item #3 – On motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Shaw, Item #3 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #4 – On motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Johnson, Item #4 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #5 – On motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Shaw, Item #5 was removed from the table. Unanimous. On motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Shaw, Item #5 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #6 – On motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Shaw, Item #6 was voted on and approved. Unanimous.

Item #7 – On motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Johnson, Item #7 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #8 – On motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Peplinski, motion was made to go with Option A. Yes: Johnson (1). No: Russell, Bono, Shaw, Smith, Ackerman, Peplinski (6). Defeated. On motion of Mr. Peplinski, seconded by Mr. Smith, motion was made to go with Option B. Yes: Russell, Bono, Shaw, Smith, Ackerman, Peplinski (6). No: Johnson (1). Item #8 was then moved for Resolution.

Item #9 – On motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Bono, Item #9 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #10 – On motion of Mr. Shaw, seconded by Mr. Smith, Item #10 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #11 – On motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Peplinski, Item #11 motion was made for County Sponsorship to be \$200,000. Yes: Bono, Peplinski (2). No: Russell, Shaw, Smith, Ackerman, Johnson (5). Defeated. On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, motion was made for County Sponsorship to be \$100,000. Yes: Russell, Bono, Smith, Ackerman, Peplinski (5). No: Shaw, Johnson (2). Item #11 was then moved for Resolution.

Item #12 & #13 – On motion of Mr. Russell, seconded by Peplinski, the Committee went into executive session at 8:10 p.m. for Items #12 & #13. On motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Smith, Item #12 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. On motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Peplinski, Item #13 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. On motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Russell, the Committee came out of executive session at 8:19 p.m.

Item #14 – No action.

Item #15 – On motion of Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Peplinski, Item #15 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #16 – On motion of Mr. Peplinski, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, Item #16 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Yes: Bono, Shaw, Smith, Ackerman, Johnson, Peplinski (6). No: Russell (1).

Item #17 – On motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Peplinski, the Committee went into executive session at 8:19 p.m. Discussion only, no vote taken. On motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Peplinski, the Committee came out of executive session at 8:27 p.m.

On motion of Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Peplinski, the Ways & Means Committee was adjourned at 8:28 p.m.