

**Herkimer County Legislature
Public Safety/Emergency Management and Ways & Means
Committee Meeting
Thursday, June 1, 2023
Legislature Chambers
4:15 p.m.**

Persons Attending:

Gregory Malta, Sr. (Public Safety committee member)
Kurt J. Ackerman (committee member, both)
Ray Donley (committee member, both)
Peter J. Campione (committee member, both)
Rodney Swartz (Public Safety committee member)
Patrick E. Russell (Ways & Means Committee Chairman)
Raymond Johnson (Ways & Means committee member)
Vincent J. Bono, Chairman of the Legislature
James Wallace, Jr., County Administrator
Steve Billings, Personnel Officer
John Raymond, Emergency Services Director

(Non Committee Members Signed In)

Legislator Robert J. Schrader
Legislator Bob Hollum
Legislator Peter F. Manno
Legislator Frederick J. Shaw, Jr.

Absent:

John P. Stephens (Chairman, Public Safety/W&M committee member)

Mr. Malta for the Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee and Mr. Russell for the Ways & Means Committee called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

Items Discussed:

PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND WAYS & MEANS:

1. Part time salary for dispatchers
2. Other – Approve to rescind previous motion approving raises at the 911 Center for dispatchers dated May 24, 2023
3. Other – Approve salary increases for Public Safety Telecommunicator hire/training rate of \$37,584, Public Safety Telecommunicator base rate of \$41,760, and Senior Public Safety Telecommunicator base rate of \$47,804

WAYS & MEANS:

4. Amend Res. No. 353 of 2022 relating to the rules and regulations governing the Herkimer County Employees Health Insurance Plan
5. Other

Committee Vote Record:

PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND WAYS & MEANS:

On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Swartz for the Public Safety & Emergency Management Committee and on motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Johnson for the Ways & Means Committee, the committees went into Executive Session at 4:15 p.m., under Public Officer's Law, Section 105 (f).

Item #1 – On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Swartz for the Public Safety & Emergency Management Committee and on motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Donley for the Ways & Means Committee the committees voted to increase inexperienced part time dispatchers to \$20 per hour and experienced part time dispatchers to \$22 per hour. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #2 – On motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Swartz for Public Safety & Emergency Management, and on motion of Mr. Bono, seconded by Mr. Campione for Ways & Means, Item #2 was voted on and approved. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #3 – On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Bono for Public Safety & Emergency Management, and on motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Bono for Ways & Means, Item #3 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

On motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Bono for the Public Safety & Emergency Management Committee and on motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Bono for the Ways & Means Committee, the committees came out of Executive Session at 5:45 p.m.

At 5:46 p.m., on motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Swartz for the Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee, the Committee adjourned.

The Ways & Means Committee continued.

WAYS & MEANS:

Item #4 – On motion of Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Bono for Ways & Means, Item #4 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #5 - N/A.

At 5:51 p.m., on motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Donley for the Ways & Means Committee, the committee adjourned.