

Herkimer County Legislature
Public Safety/Emergency Management and Ways & Means
Committee Meeting
Friday, January 12, 2024
Legislature Chambers
Following Human Resources and Ways & Means

Persons Attending:

Ray Donley (Chairman, Public Safety/W&M committee member)
Gregory Malta, Sr. (Public Safety committee member)
Patrick E. Russell (Chairman, Ways & Means, Public Safety committee member)
Peter J. Campione (committee member, both)
William Weakley (committee member, both)
John Brewer (Public Safety committee member)
Mark Gaworecki, (Ways & Means committee member)
Bob Hollum, Chairman of the Legislature
James Wallace, Jr., County Administrator
Brandy Serow, Secretary to Co. Administrator
Lorraine Lewandrowski, County Attorney
Steve Billings, Personnel Officer
Scott Scherer, Sheriff
John Raymond, Director, Emergency Services
Mike Scalise, Director of Probation

(Non Committee Members Signed In)

Legislator Robert J. Schrader
Legislator Cynthia A. Bennett
Legislator John L. Brezinski
Legislator Michael Bick
Legislator Rodney Swartz
Legislator Vincent J. Bono

Absent:

Kurt J. Ackerman (Ways & Means committee member)

Mr. Donley called the Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee to order at 11:29 a.m.

Items Discussed:

PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

1. Approve monthly reports of the Sheriff – October, November and December 2023
2. Other

PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND WAYS & MEANS:

3. Amend Honey Hill Communications Tower Lease Agreement with Tarpon Towers in Emergency Services
4. Requesting payment for expenses from an extradition
5. Accept SCAAP funds, approve 2024 budget amendment and authorize chairman to e-sign in the Sheriff's Department
6. Amend Salary Schedule III to change from Probation Officer to Probation Officer Trainee in the Probation Department
7. Other – To discuss particular individuals and positions

Committee Vote Record:

PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Item #1 – On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Campione for Public Safety & Emergency Management, Item #1 was voted on and approved. Unanimous.

Item #2 – N/A.

PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND WAYS & MEANS:

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

Item #4 – On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Malta for Public Safety & Emergency Management, and on motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Weakley for Ways & Means, Item #4 was voted on and approved. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #5 – On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Brewer for Public Safety & Emergency Management, and on motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki for Ways & Means, Item #5 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #6 – On motion of Mr. Hollum, seconded by Mr. Weakley for Public Safety & Emergency Management, and on motion of Mr. Hollum, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki for Ways & Means, Item #6 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

This meeting recessed for the Ways & Means committee and then reconvened at 12:01 p.m.

Item #7 - On motion of Mr. Hollum, seconded by Mr. Brewer for the Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee and on motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Hollum for the Ways & Means committee, the committees went into Executive Session at 12:01 p.m., under Public Officer's Law, Section 105 (f). Discussion only. No vote taken. On motion of Mr. Brewer, seconded by Mr. Weakley for the Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee and on motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Weakley for the Ways & Means committee, the committees came out of Executive Session at 12:28 p.m.

At 12:28 p.m., on motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Campione, the Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee adjourned.