

**Herkimer County Legislature
Public Safety/Emergency Management and Ways & Means
Committee Meeting
Thursday, August 28, 2025
Legislature Chambers
Following Human Resources and Ways & Means**

Persons Attending:

Gregory Malta, Sr. (committee member, both)
William Weakley (committee member, both)
John Brewer (Public Safety committee member)
Anthony J. Lucenti (Public Safety committee member)
Kelly Wares (Public Safety committee member)
Kurt J. Ackerman (Chairman, Ways & Means)
Mark Gaworecki, (Ways & Means committee member)
Don Haehl (Ways & Means committee member)
Peter J. Campione, Chairman of the Legislature
James Wallace, Jr., County Administrator
Brandy Serow, Secretary to Co. Administrator
Lorraine Lewandrowski, County Attorney
Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent
Steve Billings, Personnel Officer
Mike Scalise, Director of Probation
Scott Scherer, Sheriff
John Lynch, STOP-DWI Coordinator
(Non Committee Members Signed In)
Legislator Robert J. Schrader
Legislator Bob Hollum
Legislator Cynthia A. Bennett
Legislator William Keeler, Sr.
Legislator John L. Brezinski
Legislator Michael Bick

Absent:

Ray Donley (Chairman, Public Safety, Ways & Means committee member)

Mr. Malta called the meeting to order at 10:27 a.m.

Items Discussed:

PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

1. Alternatives to Incarceration Advisory Board
2. Other

PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND WAYS & MEANS:

3. Approve SRO for Herkimer Central School in Sheriff's Office
4. Approve STOP-DWI Plan for 2026
5. Other

Committee Vote Record:

PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

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

Item #2 – N/A.

PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND WAYS & MEANS:

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

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

Item #5 – N/A.

At 10:33 a.m., on motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mrs. Wares for the Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee, the committee adjourned.

The Ways & Means Committee continued.