

**Herkimer County Legislature
Administration/Veterans' Affairs and Ways & Means
Committee Meeting
Friday, September 19, 2025
Legislature Chambers
Following Education and Ways & Means**

Persons Attending:

Robert J. Schrader (Chairman, Administration/Veterans' Affairs)
John L. Brezinski (Administration/Veterans' Affairs committee member)
Cynthia A. Bennett (Administration/Veterans' Affairs committee member)
Ray Donley (Ways & Means committee member)
William Weakley (Ways & Means committee member)
Mark Gaworecki (Ways & Means committee member)
Gregory Malta, Sr. (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 County Administrator
Lorraine Lewandrowski, County Attorney
Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent
Steve Billings, Personnel Officer
Teresa Robotham, Board of Elections Commissioner
Jennifer DeMetro, County Clerk

(Non Committee Members signed in)

Legislator Bob Hollum
Legislator William E. Keeler, Sr.
Legislator Rodney Swartz
Legislator Anthony J. Lucenti
Legislator Kelly Wares

Absent:

Kurt Ackerman (Chairman, Ways & Means, Admin./Veterans' Affairs committee member)
Michael Bick (Administration/Veterans' Affairs committee member)
John Brewer (Administration/Veterans' Affairs committee member)

Mr. Schrader for the Administration/Veterans' Affairs Committee called the meeting to order at 9:51 a.m.

Items Discussed:

ADMINISTRATION/VETERANS' AFFAIRS/WAYS & MEANS:

1. Accept 2025 Election Grant, create project and amend budget in Board of Elections
2. Accept Vote by Mail Grant, create project and amend budget in Board of Elections
3. Authorize contract with C&D Advertising
4. Approve proposal with WKTV for advertising for Herkimer County
5. Other

ADMINISTRATION/VETERANS' AFFAIRS:

6. County Clerks request for upgrades
7. Other

Committee Vote Record

ADMINISTRATION/VETERANS' AFFAIRS AND WAYS & MEANS:

Item #1 – On motion of Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Brezinski for Administration/Veterans' Affairs, and on motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Malta for Ways & Means, Item #1 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

Item #2 – On motion of Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Brezinski for Administration/Veterans' Affairs, and on motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki for Ways & Means, Item #2 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

The committee on Administration/Veterans' Affairs recessed at 9:54 a.m. and reconvened at 10:59 a.m.

On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Brezinski for the Administration/Veterans' Affairs Committee, and on motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Weakley for the Ways & Means Committee, the committees went into Executive Session at 11:01 a.m., under Public Officer's Law, Section 105 (f) for Item #3, Item #4 and Item #6.

Item #3 – Item #4 On motion of Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Brezinski for Administration/Veterans' Affairs, and on motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki for Ways & Means, Item #3 and Item #4 were voted on not to renew contracts once expired. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

Item #5 – N/A.

ADMINISTRATION/VETERANS' AFFAIRS:

Item #6 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Ms. Bennett for Administration/Veterans' Affairs, Item #6 was voted on to move forward with a recommendation for some type of salary adjustments. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

On motion of Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Brezinski for the Administration/Veterans' Affairs Committee and on motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Weakley for the Ways & Means Committee, the committees came out of Executive Session at 11:30 a.m.

Item #7 – N/A.

At 11:30 a.m., on motion of Mr. Brezinski, seconded by Ms. Bennett for the Administration/Veterans' Affairs Committee, the committee adjourned.

The Ways & Means Committee continued.