

**Herkimer County Legislature  
Public Safety/Emergency Management and Ways & Means  
Committee Meeting  
Friday, January 9, 2026  
Legislature Chambers  
Following Human Resources and Ways & Means**

**Persons Attending:**

Gregory Malta, Sr. (committee member, both)  
John Brewer (Public Safety committee member)  
Kelly Wares (Public Safety committee member)  
Anthony J. Lucenti (Public Safety committee member)  
Kurt J. Ackerman (Chairman, Ways & Means)  
Mark Gaworecki, (committee member, both)  
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  
Scott Scherer, Sheriff  
Albert Moxham, Director of Emergency Services  
Michael Scalise, Probation Director

**(Non Committee Members Signed In)**

Legislator Robert J. Schrader  
Legislator Gene A. Wedemeyer, Jr.  
Legislator Cynthia A. Bennett  
Legislator John L. Brezinski  
Legislator Michael Bick  
Legislator Rodney Swartz

**Absent:**

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

Mr. Malta called the meeting to order at 11:03 a.m.

**Items Discussed:**

**PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

1. Approve monthly report of the Sheriff – November 2025
2. Other

**PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND WAYS & MEANS:**

3. Accept SICG 2024-2025 Targeted Grant, amend budget, and create project in Emergency Services
4. Accept grant for the Ignition Interlock Device Monitoring Program and authorize Chairman to e-sign in Probation
5. Other – Discussion on Sheriff's Road Patrol

**Committee Vote Record:**

**PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:**

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

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. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Malta for Ways & Means, Item #3 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 2.

Item #4 - On motion of Mr. Brewer, seconded by Mrs. Wares for Public Safety & Emergency Management, and on motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Haehl for Ways & Means, Item #4 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 2.

Item #5 – Discussion only. No vote taken.

At 11:15 a.m., on motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Lucenti for the Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee, the committee adjourned.

The Ways & Means Committee continued.