

**Herkimer County Legislature**  
**Committee on Human Resources and Ways & Means**  
**Committee Meeting**  
**Friday, February 6, 2026**  
**Legislature Chambers**  
**Following Public Safety/Emergency Management and Ways & Means**

**Persons Attending:**

Anthony J. Lucenti (Chairman, Human Resources)  
William Weakley (Human Resources committee member and Ways & Means committee member)  
Robert J. Schrader (Human Resources committee member)  
Cynthia A. Bennett (Human Resources committee member)  
Gene A. Wedemeyer, Jr. (Human Resources committee member)  
Kurt J. Ackerman (Chairman, Ways & Means)  
Ray Donley (Ways & Means committee member)  
Gregory Malta, Sr. (Ways & Means committee member)  
Peter J. Campione, Chairman of the Legislature  
Steve Billings, Personnel Officer  
Brandy Serow, Secretary to County Administrator  
Lorraine Lewandrowski, County Attorney  
Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent  
Kathy Fox, Director, Office for the Aging  
Kristen Snyder-Branner, Director of Community Services  
Christina Cain, Director of Public Health  
Timothy Seymour, Commissioner of Social Services  
**(Non Committee Members Signed In)**  
Legislator William E. Keeler, Sr.  
Legislator John L. Brezinski  
Legislator Rodney Swartz  
Legislator Kelly Wares

**Absent:**

John Brewer (Human Resources committee member)  
Mark Gaworecki (Ways & Means committee member)  
Don Haehl (Ways & Means committee member)

Mr. Lucenti called the meeting to order at 10:19 a.m.

**Items discussed:**

**HUMAN RESOURCES:**

1. Approve Annual Report for Office of the Aging
2. Approve Annual Report of Mental Health
3. Approve reappointment to Community Services Board
4. Approve contracts for the provision of education/related services in Public Health
5. Other

**HUMAN RESOURCES AND WAYS & MEANS:**

6. Approve renewal of contract for the purpose of court ordered Competency Evaluations in Mental Health
7. Approve renewal of HIICAP contract with Catholic Charities in Office for the Aging
8. Approve renewal of EISEP & Unmet Need Program contracts in Office for the Aging
9. Approve MOU with Health Net for Age Friendly Deliverables in Office for the Aging
10. Accept grant for Children and Youth with Special Healthcare needs, create accounts and amend budget in Public Health
11. Approve contract amendment with CFLR to update internal budget in DSS
12. Accept funding, approve contract and amend budget for SAEF program in DSS
13. Appropriate funds for opioid contract in DSS
14. Up to \$5000 to the Food Bank of Central NY to do a study on Distribution Hub
15. Other

**Committee Vote Record:**

**HUMAN RESOURCES AND WAYS & MEANS:**

Item #1 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Wedemeyer for Human Resources, Item #1 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #2 – On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Schrader for Human Resources, Item #2 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #3 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Weakley for Human Resources, Item #3 was voted on and approved. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #4 – On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Schrader for Human Resources, Item #4 was voted on and approved. Unanimous. Absent: 2.

Item #5 – N/A.

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Item #6 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Weakley for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Donley for Ways & Means, Item #6 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

Item #7 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Wedemeyer for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Malta for Ways & Means, Item #7 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

Item #8 – On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Schrader for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Ackerman for Ways & Means, Item #8 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

Item #9 – On motion of Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Schrader for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Weakley for Ways & Means, Item #9 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

Item #10 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Ms. Bennett for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Donley for Ways & Means, Item #10 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

Item #11 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Ms. Bennett for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Weakley for Ways & Means, Item #11 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

Item #12 – On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Schrader for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Ackerman for Ways & Means, Item #12 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

Item #13 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Wedemeyer for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Donley for Ways & Means, Item #13 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

Item #14 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Ms. Bennett for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Campione for Ways & Means, Item #14 was voted on and approved. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

Item #15 – N/A.

At 10:41 a.m., on motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Lucenti, the Human Resources Committee adjourned