

**Herkimer County Legislature**  
**Public Safety/Emergency Management and Ways & Means**  
**Committee Meeting**  
**Friday, March 6, 2026**  
**Legislature Chambers**  
**Following Information Services and Ways & Means**

**Persons Attending:**

Ray Donley (Chairman, Public Safety, Ways & Means committee member)  
Gregory Malta, Sr. (committee member, both)  
William Weakley (committee member, both)  
John Brewer (Public Safety committee member)  
Kelly Wares (Public Safety committee member)  
Anthony J. Lucenti (Public Safety committee member)  
Mark Gaworecki, (Ways & Means member)  
Peter J. Campione, Chairman of the Legislature  
Steve Billings, Personnel Officer  
Brandy Serow, Secretary to Co. Administrator  
Lorraine Lewandrowski, County Attorney  
Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent  
Scott Scherer, Sheriff  
Michael Scalise, Director of Probation

**(Non Committee Members Signed In)**

Legislator Robert J. Schrader  
Legislator Cynthia A. Bennett  
Legislator William E. Keeler, Sr.  
Legislator John L. Brezinski  
Legislator Rodney Swartz

**Absent:**

Kurt J. Ackerman (Chairman, Ways & Means)  
Don Haehl (Ways & Means committee member)

Mr. Donley called the meeting to order at 10:25 a.m.

**Items Discussed:**

**PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:**

1. Approve monthly reports of the Sheriff – December 2025 and January 2026
2. Other

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

3. Approve title change in the Probation Department
4. Accept Emergency Services IP Network Readiness Grant, approve Chairman to e-sign, create project and amend budget in Emergency Services
5. Other

**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.

Item #2 – N/A.

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

Item #3 - On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Lucenti for Public Safety & Emergency Management, and on motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki for Ways & Means, Item #3 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 2.

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

Item #5 – N/A.

At 10:35 a.m., on motion of Mr. Brewer, seconded by Mr. Weakley for the Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee, the committee adjourned.

The Ways & Means Committee continued.