

**Herkimer County Legislature
Ways & Means Committee Meeting
Thursday, September 3, 2026
Legislature Chambers**

Follows Public Safety & Emergency Management and Ways & Means

Persons Attending:

Kurt J. Ackerman (Committee Chairman)
Ray Donley (committee member)
William Weakley (committee member)
Mark Gaworecki (committee member)
Gregory Malta, Sr. (committee member)
Don Haehl (committee member)
Peter J. Campione, Chairman of the Legislature
Alvin H. Montana II, County Administrator
Brittney Viscomi, Clerk of the Legislature
Lorraine Lewandrowski, County Attorney
Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent
Steve Billings, Personnel Officer
Albert Moxham, Jr., Director of Emergency Services
Mark Nagele, Superintendent of Highways
Kimberlee Enea, County Treasurer
James Fresco, Jr., Director of Real Property Tax Services
Jennifer DeMetro, County Clerk
Holly Catalina, County Treasurer

(Non-Committee Members Signed In)

Legislator Robert J. Schrader
Legislator Gene A. Wedemeyer, Jr.
Legislator Cynthia A. Bennett
Legislator William E. Keeler, Sr.
Legislator John L. Brezinski
Legislator Rodney Swartz
Legislator Anthony J. Lucenti
Legislator Kelly Wares

Absent:

N/A.

Mr. Weakley called the Highways Committee to order at 10:35 a.m.

Items discussed:

HIGHWAYS AND WAYS AND MEANS:

1. Approve purchase of Etnyre Trailer and Freightliner fuel truck using CHIPS monies, amend budget and create project in Highways

WAYS AND MEANS:

2. Discussion on Flu shots
3. Approve contract with Risk Strategies Consulting Service in the Personnel Office
4. Amend Resolution No. 374 of 2025 to add conference in Emergency Services
5. Amend Resolution No. 373 of 2026 to add a membership to the Government Financial Officers Association and Resolution No. 374 to include training fees
6. Authorize advance of funds to the County Road Fund
7. Approve electrical upgrades, create project and appropriate funds in Highways
8. Approve proposal and appropriate funds for Highway Roof
9. Amend Salary Schedule III in Real Property

10. Discussion on hours of operation
11. Approve to move Payroll to Personnel
12. Amend contract with The Answer in the Treasurer's Office
13. Amend Salary Schedule II in the Treasurer's Department
14. Upgrade position in Auditor's Department – Deputy Auditor
15. Upgrade position in Auditor's Department - Principal Account Clerk

COUNTY PROPERTIES AND WAYS & MEANS:

16. Other - Discussion on home on Higby Road built on county property

Committee Vote Record:

HIGHWAYS AND WAYS AND MEANS:

Item #1 – On motion of Mr. Lucenti, seconded by Mr. Donley for Highways, and on motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Malta for Ways & Means, Item #1 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

At 10:36 a.m., on motion of Mr. Lucenti, seconded by Mr. Donley, the Highways Committee adjourned.

The Ways & Means Committee continued.

WAYS & MEANS:

Item #2 – On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Item #2 was voted on and approved. Unanimous.

Item #3 – On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Weakley, Item #3 was voted on and approved. Unanimous.

Item #4 – On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Item #4 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #5 – On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Haehl, Item #5 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #6 – On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Weakley, Item #6 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #7 – On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Donley, Item #7 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #8 – On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Donley, Item #8 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #9 – On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Weakley, Item #9 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #10 – On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Malta, Item #10 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #11 – On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Haehl, Item #11 was voted on and approved with discussion on timeline to be at a later date. Unanimous.

Item #12 – On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Campione, Item #12 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #13 – On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Item #13 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #14, Item #15 and Item #16 - On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Weakley, the committee went into Executive Session at 11:15 a.m., under Public Officer's Law, Section 105 (f).

Item #14 – On motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Donley, Item #14 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #15 – On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Item #15 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

COUNTY PROPERTIES AND WAYS & MEANS:

The County Properties meeting reconvened at 11:27 a.m.

Item #16 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Wedemeyer for the County Properties Committee, the committee went into Executive Session at 11:27 a.m., under Public Officer's Law, Section 105 (d). Discussion only. No vote taken. On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Schrader for the County Properties Committee, the committee came out of Executive Session at 11:33.

On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Weakley, the committee came out of Executive Session at 11:34 a.m.

On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Donley, the Ways & Means committee adjourned at 11:34 a.m.