Herkimer County Legislature
Ways & Means Committee Meeting
Friday, October 16, 2026
Legislature Chambers
Follows Public Safety & Emergency Management and Ways & Means

Persons Attending:
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
Linda Jaquays, County Property Agent
(Non-Committee Members Signed In)
Legislator Robert J. Schrader
Legislator Cynthia A. Bennett
Legislator William E. Keeler, Sr.
Legislator John L. Brezinski
Legislator Michael Bick
Legislator Rodney Swartz
Legislator Anthony J. Lucenti
Legislator Kelly Wares

Absent:
Kurt J. Ackerman (Committee Chairman)

Items discussed:
WAYS AND MEANS:

1. Adopt Introductory Local Law C of 2026 - Salaries
2. Approve transfer of funds in Public Health
3. Authorizing appropriation of funds for College Corps Program
4. Authorize contract with Excellus Blue Closs Blue Shield for the County's Self-Insured Dental Plan
5. Approve cancelled and rejected taxes
6. Approve cancelled and rejected taxes for the Land Bank
7. Ratifying agreement between the County of Herkimer and Teamsters Local 294
8. Other – Vote on salary increase
9. Other – Approve new positions in Mental Health and Public Health

Committee Vote Record:
WAYS & MEANS:
Item #1 – On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Weakley, Item #1 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

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

Item #3 – On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Item #3 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #4 – On motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Haehl, Item #4 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #5 – On motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Campione, Item #5 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #6 – On motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Campione, Item #6 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

On motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Malta, the committee went into Executive Session at 10:08 a.m., under Public Officer's Law, Section 105 (f) for item #7, Item #8, and a revote for Item #1 due to a small change.

Item #7 – On motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Weakley, Item #7 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #8 – On motion of Mr. Haehl, seconded by Mr. Malta, Item #8 was voted on and approved. Yes: Donley, Gaworecki, Malta, Haehl, Campione (5). No: Weakley (1). Absent: Ackerman (1).

Item #1 revote – On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Malta, Item #1 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Weakley, the Ways & Means Committee came out of Executive Session at 10:34 a.m.

Item #9 - On motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Haehl, Item #9 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

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