

**Herkimer County Legislature  
Public Safety/Emergency Management and Ways & Means  
Committee Meeting  
Friday, October 11, 2024  
Legislature Chambers  
Following Human Resources and Ways & Means**

**Persons Attending:**

Gregory Malta, Sr. (committee member, both)  
Peter J. Campione (committee member, both)  
William Weakley (committee member, both)  
John Brewer (Public Safety committee member)  
Kurt J. Ackerman (Chairman, Ways & Means)  
Mark Gaworecki, (Ways & Means committee member)  
Bob Hollum, 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  
Michael Scalise, Director of Probation  
John Lynch, STOP-DWI Coordinator  
Keith Bowers, Esq.

**(Non Committee Members Signed In)**

Legislator Cynthia A. Bennett  
Legislator William E. Keeler, Sr.  
Legislator John L. Brezinski  
Legislator Rodney Swartz  
Legislator Ron Beach, Jr.  
Legislator Don Haehl

**Absent:**

Ray Donley (Chairman, Public Safety/W&M committee member)  
Chris Conover (Public Safety committee member)

Mr. Malta called the Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee to order at 10:08 a.m.

**Items Discussed:**

**PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:**

1. Approve monthly report of the Sheriff – August 2024
2. Approve 2024/2025 Probation Plan
3. Other

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

4. Approve purchase of protective vests, create accounts, transfer funds, and amend budget in Probation
5. Accept SHSP and SLETPP grant funding, authorize e-signature, create project, and amend 2024 Budget in Emergency Services
6. Accept Domestic Terrorism Prevention Grant, create project and amend budget in Emergency Services
7. Approve purchase of vehicle and transfer of funds in the Sheriff's Department
8. Approve purchase of Pistol Permit Software and transfer funds in Sheriff's Department
9. Accept HVEC grant and amend budget in STOP-DWI
10. Approve proposed agreement regarding Indigent Representation Improvements
11. Amending Salary Schedule to remove Executive Assistant for ILS
12. Other

**Committee Vote Record:**

**PUBLIC SAFETY/EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:**

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

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

Item #3 – N/A.

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

Mr. Ackerman was marked absent.

Item #4 – On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Brewer for Public Safety & Emergency Management, and on motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Malta for Ways & Means, Item #4 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

Item #5 – On motion of Mr. Brewer, seconded by Mr. Malta for Public Safety & Emergency Management, and on motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Malta for Ways & Means, Item #5 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

Item #6 - On motion of Mr. Hollum, seconded by Mr. Campione for Public Safety & Emergency Management, and on motion of Mr. Hollum, seconded by Mr. Campione for Ways & Means, Item #6 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

Mr. Ackerman was marked present.

Item #7 – On motion of Mr. Brewer, seconded by Mr. Malta for Public Safety & Emergency Management, and on motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Hollum for Ways & Means, Item #7 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 2.

Mr. Ackerman and Mr. Gaworecki were marked absent.

Item #8 – On motion of Mr. Hollum, seconded by Mr. Campione for Public Safety & Emergency Management, and on motion of Mr. Hollum, seconded by Mr. Campione for Ways & Means, Item #8 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 4.

Mr. Ackerman was marked present.

Item #9 – On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Hollum for Public Safety & Emergency Management, and on motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Campione for Ways & Means, Item #9 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 3.

Mr. Gaworecki was marked present.

Item #10 - On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Brewer for Public Safety & Emergency Management, and on motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Weakley for Ways & Means, Item #10 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Public Safety/Emergency Management: Yes: Malta, Campione, Weakley, Brewer, Hollum (5). No: (0). Absent: Donley, Conover (2). Ways & Means: Ackerman, Campione, Weakley, Malta, Hollum (5). No. Gaworecki (1). Absent: Donley (1).

Item #11 – On motion of Mr. Brewer, seconded by Mr. Weakley for Public Safety & Emergency Management, and on motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Campione for Ways & Means, Item #11 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 2.

Item #12 - N/A.

At 10:22 a.m., on motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Weakley for the Public Safety/Emergency Management Committee the committee adjourned.

The Ways & Means Committee continued.