

**Herkimer County Legislature
Committee on Human Resources and Ways & Means
Committee Meeting
Friday, August 1, 2025
Legislature Chambers
Following Administration/Veterans' Affairs and Ways & Means**

Persons Attending:

William Weakley (Chairman, Human Resources and Ways & Means committee member)
Robert J. Schrader (Human Resources committee member)
John L. Brezinski (Human Resources committee member)
Cynthia A. Bennett (Human Resources committee member)
John Brewer (Human Resources committee member)
Anthony J. Lucenti (Human Resources committee member)
Ray Donley (Ways & Means committee member)
Mark Gaworecki (Ways & Means committee member)
Gregory Malta, Sr. (Ways & Means committee member)
Don Haehl (Ways & Means committee member)
Peter J. Campione, Chairman of the Legislature
Steve Billings, Personnel Officer
Jennifer Williams, Deputy Clerk of the Legislature
Lorraine Lewandrowski, County Attorney
Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent
Christina Cain, Public Health Director
Timothy Seymour, Commissioner, DSS
Kathy Fox, Director, Office for the Aging

(Non Committee Members Signed In)

Legislator Bob Hollum
Legislator William E. Keeler, Sr.
Legislator Michael Bick
Legislator Rodney Swartz
Legislator Kelly Wares

Absent:

Kurt J. Ackerman (Chairman, Ways & Means)

Mr. Weakley called the meeting to order at 9:44 a.m.

Items discussed:

HUMAN RESOURCES AND WAYS & MEANS:

1. Approve extension for Rabies Program and authorize Chairman to e-sign in Public Health
2. Approve agreement with Townsquare Media in DSS
3. Approve authorization to submit plan to OCFS for funding and renew contract with ICAN for detention/early intervention services in DSS
4. Accept funds and approve contract for Family Centered Support Program in DSS
5. Approve changes in Foster Care contracts in DSS
6. Accept funds, amend budget and create project in connection with System of Care Grant in Public Health
7. Approve Age Friendly Action Plan in OFA
8. Update on Children's Center
9. Other

Committee Vote Record:

HUMAN RESOURCES AND WAYS & MEANS:

Item #1 – On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Lucenti for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Weakley for Ways & Means, Item #1 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #2 – On motion of Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Schrader for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Malta for Ways & Means, Item #2 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #3 – On motion of Mr. Brewer, seconded by Mr. Schrader for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki for Ways & Means, Item #3 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #4 – On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Ms. Bennett for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki for Ways & Means, Item #4 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #5 – On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Brewer for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Campione for Ways & Means, Item #5 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #6 – On motion of Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Lucenti for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Haehl for Ways & Means, Item #6 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #7 – On motion of Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Lucenti for Human Resources and on motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki for Ways & Means, Item #7 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous. Absent: 1.

Item #8 - On motion of Mr. Brewer, seconded by Mr. Haehl for the Human Resources Committee, the committee went into Executive Session at 10:10 a.m., under Public Officer's Law, Section 105 (h). Discussion only. No vote taken. On motion of Mr. Brewer, seconded by Mr. Schrader for the Human Resources Committee, the committee came out of Executive Session at 10:26 a.m.

Item #9 – N/A.

At 10:27 a.m., on motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Brewer, the Human Resources Committee adjourned.

The Ways & Means Committee continued.