

**Herkimer County Legislature
Ways & Means Committee Meeting
Friday, July 31, 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
Mark Nagele, Superintendent of Highways
Kimberlee, County Treasurer

(Non-Committee Members Signed In)

Legislator Robert J. Schrader
Legislator Gene A. Wedemeyer, Jr.
Legislator John Brewer
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:

N/A.

Items discussed:

WAYS AND MEANS:

1. Approving 2027 annual estimate and apportionment for the Herkimer County Self-Insured Workers' Compensation Plan
2. Approve transfers in DSS
3. Approve increase request for Estimated Expenditure for the 2025/2026 snow and ice season and amend budget
4. Approve budget amendment due to increase in CHIPS funds in the Highway Department
5. Amend budget and create accounts in connection with the Adult Use Cannabis revenue
6. Approve transfer of funds in the County Attorney's office
7. Approve transfers in Public Health
8. Approve Retirement Reporting Resolution – Hartwell
9. Approve budget amendment and creation of accounts in connection with SWIMS Grant
10. Discussion on hours of operation
11. Approve reinstatement of temporary position in Treasurer's Office
12. Amend Salary No. III in Treasurer's Office to increase base pay rate of Accountant and authorize Chairman to enter into agreement regarding benefits
13. Other

Committee Vote Record:

WAYS & MEANS:

Mr. Ackerman was marked absent.

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

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

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

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

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

Mr. Ackerman was marked present.

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

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

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

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

Item #10 – Discussion only. No vote taken.

Item #11 – On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Weakley, Item #11 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution. Unanimous.

Item #12 – On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Weakley, the committee went into Executive Session at 10:09 a.m., under Public Officer's Law, Section 105 (f). On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Haehl, Item #12 was voted on, approved and moved for Resolution pending acceptance from candidate. Unanimous. On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Weakley, the committee came out of Executive Session at 11:01 a.m.

Item #13 – N/A.

On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, the Ways & Means committee adjourned at 11:02 a.m.