

The Legislature of Rockland County



MICHAEL M. GRANT
LEGISLATOR – DISTRICT 2
CHAIR, BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE

MINUTES
BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2013
7:15 PM

Members Present:

Leg. M. Grant, Chair
Leg. A. Wolfe, Vice Chair (left 7:55)
Legislative Chair Cornell
Leg. N. Low-Hogan
Leg. J. Hood, Jr., 1st Vice Chair
Leg. I. Schoenberger (left 7:55)
Leg. P. Soskin
Leg. J. Murphy

Members Absent:

Leg. T. Earl
Leg. F. Sparaco

Others Present:

Leg. J. Meyers
Leg. E. Day
Leg. A. Paul
N. Doliner
K. Henry
R. Caunitz
P. Tucker
C. Apotheker
F. Calise
K. Sincerbox
Leg. C. Carey
Leg. D. Jobson
R. McKay, Esq.
S. DeGroat
R. Hansen
D. Troy
M.A. Walsh-Tozer
L. Chernin
Media

Chair Grant called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM.

1. BONDS/PUBLIC WORKS MATTER:

1PPW) REF. #6394-APPROVING PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 FOR THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT UNDER VARIOUS NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES CONTRACTS FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013 WITH ALL PURCHASES TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – DIVISION OF PURCHASING) (GERRY WALSH, COMMISSIONER, DGS-PURCHASING) DL#2013-00131

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ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. HOOD, JR., CORNELL, SOSKIN,

MOTION TO APPROVE:
LOW-HOGAN/WOLFE

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2PPW) REF. #7493-APPROVING PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 FOR VARIOUS COUNTY DEPARTMENTS UNDER VARIOUS NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES CONTRACTS FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013 WITH ALL PURCHASES TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – DIVISION OF PURCHASING) (GERRY WALSH, COMMISSIONER, DGS-PURCHASING) DL#2013-00132

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SCHOENBERGER/WOLFE**

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3PPW) REF. #5906-APPROVING PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 FROM CLEAN WATERS, INC. FOR POLYMER FOR CENTRIFUGES FOR THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1 UNDER RFB-RC-2013-001 IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$31,000 FOR THE PERIOD FROM MARCH 7, 2012 THROUGH MARCH 6, 2013 AND FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$531,022.50 FOR THE FULL PERIOD FROM MARCH 7, 2010 THROUGH MARCH 6, 2013 WITH ALL PURCHASES TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES- DIVISION OF PURCHASING) (\$531,022.50) (GERRY WALSH, COMMISSIONER, DGS-PURCHASING) DL#2013-00404

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WOLFE/SCHOENBERGER**

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2. GRANTS/DONATIONS:

2A) REF. #9173 - APPROVING ACCEPTANCE OF CONTINUATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$300,000 (NCTD) FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CREATING HEALTHY PLACES TO LIVE, WORK AND PLAY GRANT FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1, 2013 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2014 WHICH MAY BE FOLLOWED BY A COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT (COLA) AWARD OF NO MORE THAN 10% OR \$30,000 MAKING TOTAL GRANT AWARD \$330,000 AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY GRANT DOCUMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH) (\$330,000) (DR. JOAN FACELLE, COMMISSIONER, HEALTH DEPT.) DL#2013-00359

ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. GRANT, HOOD, JR., WOLFE, CORNELL, LOW-HOGAN, SCHOENBERGER, SOSKIN, JOBSON

**MOTION TO APPROVE:
LOW-HOGAN/SOSKIN**

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2B) REF. #8634 - APPROVING ACCEPTANCE OF CONTINUATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$276,389 (NCTD) {\$247,473 BASE AWARD + POTENTIAL COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT (COLA) OF NO MORE THAN 10% OR \$24,747 AND A ONE-TIME ADD ON AWARD OF \$4,169} FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE FAMILY HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAM WITH BASE AWARD AND POTENTIAL COLA BEING FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND ONE-TIME ADD ON AWARD BEING FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2013 AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS AND AGREEMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH) (\$276,389)
(DR. JOAN FACELLE, COMMISSIONER, HEALTH DEPT.) DL#2013-00420

ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. GRANT, HOOD, JR., WOLFE, CORNELL, SCHOENBERGER, SOSKIN, JOBSON

**MOTION TO APPROVE:
CORNELL/SOSKIN**

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2C) REF. #8896 - APPROVING ACCEPTANCE AND APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,250 (NCTD) FROM CONTINGENCY MANAGEMENT CONSULTING GROUP, LLC TO REIMBURSE THE COUNTY FOR 2012 EXPENSES INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH TRAINING SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS IN EVACUATION PROCEDURES (OFFICE OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES) (\$6,250)
(GORDON W. WREN, DIRECTOR, FIRE & EMERGENCY) DL#2012-04809

(TRANSFERRED FROM PUBLIC SAFETY 2/26/13)

(ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. CORNELL, CAREY, DAY, PAUL, WOLFE)

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ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. GRANT, SCHOENBERGER, SOSKIN, JOBSON

2D) REF. #6546- APPROVING ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,000 (NCTD) FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CREATING HEALTHY PLACES TO LIVE, WORK AND PLAY – WORKSITE WELLNESS GRANT TO PERFORM CANCER RELATED ACTIVITIES WITH \$5,000 BEING FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH JUNE 29, 2013 AND \$5,000 BEING FOR THE PERIOD JUNE 30, 2013 THROUGH JUNE 29, 2014 AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY GRANT DOCUMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH) (\$10,000)
(DR. JOAN FACELLE, COMMISSIONER, HEALTH DEPT.) DL#2013-00415

(TRANSFERRED FROM MULTI-SERVICES 2/26/13)

(ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SOSKIN, HOOD, JR., PAUL, JOBSON)

ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. GRANT, WOLFE, CORNELL, SCHOENBERGER

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3. BUDGET ITEMS:

3A) REF. #9481 - APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,500.00 VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA, NEW CITY, NEW YORK FOR PATRIOTIC OBSERVANCES IN 2013
(HON. JOHN A. MURPHY, LEGISLATURE) LG#3200

ADDED CO-SPONSORS: LEGS. GRANT, HOOD, JR., WOLFE, CORNELL, SCHOENBERGER, SOSKIN, JOBSON, DAY

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNAN
MURPHY/SOSKIN

3B) REF. #9481 - APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,500 TO THE JOHN M. PERRY AMERICAN LEGION POST 1044, SPARKILL, NEW YORK FOR PATRIOTIC OBSERVANCES IN 2013
(HON. JOHN A MURPHY, LEGISLATURE) LG#3202

ADDED CO-SPONSORS: LEGS. GRANT, HOOD, JR., WOLFE, CORNELL, SCHOENBERGER, SOSKIN, JOBSON

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNAN
MURPHY/SOSKIN

3C) REF. #9481 - APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,500 TO MARINE CORPS LEAGUE DEPARTMENT OF NEW YORK – ROCKLAND COUNTY DETACHMENT, HAVERSTRAW, NEW YORK FOR PATRIOTIC OBSERVANCES IN 2013
(HON. JOHN A. MURPHY, LEGISLATURE) LG#3201

ADDED CO-SPONSORS: LEGS. GRANT, HOOD, JR., WOLFE, CORNELL, LOW-HOGAN, SCHOENBERGER, SOSKIN, JOBSON

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNAN
MURPHY/SCHOENBERGER

3D) REF. #2973 - APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FROM THE STOP-DWI RESERVE ACCOUNT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,750 IN ORDER TO CONTRACT WITH LEXINGTON CENTER FOR RECOVERY, INC. SO THAT THIS ORGANIZATION CAN HIRE A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL TO PROVIDE CASE MANAGEMENT, ADDICTION COUNSELING AND DRUG TESTING SERVICES TO FELONY DWI OFFENDERS IN ROCKLAND COUNTY DRUG COURT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013 (STOP-DWI) (\$34,750)
(LESLIE CHERNIN, COORDINATOR, STOP-DWI) DL#2013-00256

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CORNELL/SOSKIN

4. **AUTHORIZATIONS:**

5. **CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS:**

5A) REF. #2973 - APPROVING THE EXTENSION OF AND AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH LEXINGTON CENTER FOR RECOVERY, INC. FOR A METHADONE TREATMENT SERVICES MANAGEMENT CONTRACT FOR OUTPATIENT CLIENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH UNDER RFP-RC-06-022 EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT FROM JANUARY 1, 2013 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2013 AND INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF THE CONTRACT BY \$302,936 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$908,809 FOR THE FULL PERIOD FROM APRIL 1, 2012 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2013 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE EXTENSION/AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT (DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH) (\$908,809)
(MARY ANN WALSH TOZER, COMMISSIONER, MENTAL HEALTH) DL#2012-00362)

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ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. GRANT, WOLFE, CORNELL, LOW-HOGAN, SCHOENBERGER

**MOTION TO APPROVE:
MURPHY/SOSKIN & LOW-HOGAN**

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6. **ALLOCATION/RECLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS:**

7. **BIDS:**

8. **TRANSFER OF FUNDS/OTHERS:**

9. **TAX ITEMS:**

10. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

11. **LOCAL LAWS/HOME RULES:**

12. **PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS:**

12A)- REF. #9491 -*DISCUSSION ITEM*: MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SYSTEMS MISSION AND SUPPORT IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF HOSPITAL, MENTAL HEALTH AND HEALTH
(HON. JOHN A. MURPHY, LEGISLATURE)

Leg. Murphy thanked Chair Grant for bringing this discussion to the attention of the Budget and Finance committee members. Leg. Murphy explained that by October of 2014 all Department of Health records must be updated to fully-electronic record-keeping systems in line with Federal Medicaid protocol.

Leg. Murphy emphasized the necessity of these updates and urged the Committee to support the financial requests of the MIS in order to complete this task.

Denis Troy, Assistant Director MIS, presented a general overview of the project, which has been in planning since 2001 and will replace the current legacy systems with new systems that will accommodate electronic billing. The plan is to bring in a consultant in the next week to evaluate the current system over a period of six months and assist the Department of Health develop sales requirements, find vendors, look at prices and select vendor candidates.

Also included will be technology updates for technicians and nurses to ensure easy access to up-to-date medical records.

Mr. Troy also noted that even if Summit Park is sold, this study would still be an asset since it will provide crucial information on the system to potential buyers. Also the Department of Health, the Mental Health outpatients and other departments will still be left in the hospital.

Mr. Troy also suggested a Steering Committee be put in place composed of representatives from the affected departments, MIS, CE and the Legislature. Members of the committee could go out to various sites where this software exists.

Chair Grant stated the execution was critical. With people leaving the County, most departments have been stretched very thin.

ACTION:
CHAIR REQUESTED THE MIS DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE A NARRATIVE OUTLINING WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED THUS FAR AND A TIME LINE FOR THE STEPS NEEDED TO COMPLETE THIS PROJECT

12B)- REF. #9490 –*DISCUSSION ITEM*: VOLUNTARY SEPARATION INCENTIVE PROGRAM
(HON. MICHAEL M. GRANT)

ACTIONS:
CHAIR REQUESTED THAT THE FISCAL ANALYST UPDATE THE PROJECTED SALARY SAVINGS FROM THIS INCENTIVE

CHAIR REQUESTED LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL TO REVIEW THE LANGUAGE IN THE RESOLUTION AND COMPARE IT TO THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

CHAIR REQUESTED THE COMMITTEE CLERK INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING OPERATIONAL REVIEWS ON FUTURE AGENDAS:

1. BUDGET/MGT. & FINANCE (MARCH 12)
2. HOSPITAL (APRIL 9)
3. INSURANCE (MAY 14)

13. MISCELLANEOUS:

14. RECEIVE & FILE:

15. CORRESPONDENCE – REVIEW AND DISCUSSION:

MOTION TO ADJOURN: 9:05 PM
HOOD, JR./SOSKIN

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