

The Legislature of Rockland County



PHILIP SOSKIN
LEGISLATOR-DISTRICT 7
CHAIR, MULTI-SERVICES COMMITTEE

MINUTES
MULTI-SERVICES COMMITTEE
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2016
6:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:
LEG. P. SOSKIN, CHAIR
LEG. T. EARL, VICE CHAIR
LEG. A. PAUL, 2ND VICE CHAIR
LEG. I. SCHOENBERGER

MEMBERS ABSENT:
LEG. A. WIEDER
LEG. V. TYER
LEG. C. FALCIGLIA

OTHERS PRESENT:
LEG. J. HOOD, JR.
LEG. C. CAREY
LEG. M. GRANT
LEG. N. LOW-HOGAN
E. YEGER, ESQ.
A. SILVA-EXIAS, ESQ.
B. BOTTA, ESQ.
L. INCALCATERRA

CHAIR SOSKIN CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT: 6:35 PM.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 30, 2016 MEETING
MOTION TO ADOPT:
EARL/PAUL

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1. REF. #9505 A APPROVING THE AGREEMENT WITH ROCKLAND IRISH AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTER TO PROVIDE PROGRAMS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,747 FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2016 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016 WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR TWO (2) ADDITIONAL ONE (1) YEAR OPTION TERMS AND TRANSFERRING THE FUNDS NECESSARY TO PAY FOR THIS AGREEMENT FROM DEPARTMENT NO. 7568 TO DEPARTMENT NO. 6772 [OFFICE FOR THE AGING] (\$13,747)
(T. CARDOZA-IZQUIERDO DIRECTOR OFFICE FOR THE AGING) DL#: 2016-03099

MOTION TO APPROVE:
SOSKIN/EARL, SCHOENBERGER

TRANSFERRED TO B&F 9/13/16
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Chair Soskin confirmed that no one was present from the Department of Aging to any questions or to discuss the amount appropriated for Rockland Irish American Cultural Center as a contract agency.

Chair Soskin wanted to know if the County was getting any money back. He decided in the absence of a representative from the administration he would still approve this resolution.

2. REF. #9505B APPROVING THE AGREEMENT WITH VENTURE FOUNDATION, LTD. TO PROVIDE A MEANS AND METHOD FOR SELF-ADVOCACY AND SUPPORTIVE PEER RELATIONSHIPS THROUGH PARTICIPANT FORUM AND SOCIAL RECREATION ACTIVITIES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$48,146 FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2016 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016 WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR TWO (2) ADDITIONAL ONE (1) YEAR OPTION TERMS AND TRANSFERRING THE FUNDS NECESSARY TO PAY FOR THIS AGREEMENT FROM DEPARTMENT NO. CA-8031 TO DEPARTMENT NO. DMH-M999 [DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH] (\$48,146) (MICHAEL LEITZES COMMISSIONER OF MENTAL HEALTH) DL#: 2016-02791

MOTION TO APPROVE:
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ACTION: Legal Counsel to consult with Assistant County Attorney, Brigitte Botta, Esq. To change the language in the Resolution by deleting the word “vehicle” and inserting another descriptive term or phrase.

Chair Soskin explained that this is a contract with a not-for-profit, Venture foundation LTD., and by transferring to one of the departments there is the possibility for the County to get some money.

Leg Schoenberger stated that he is voting in favor of this resolution, but also advised that they are prohibited under a NYS law to provide money to agencies for private funding capital.

Mrs. Brigitte Botta, Esq. explained that she helped prepare the resolution and will clarify it. This agreement has nothing to do with the actual purchase of a vehicle, but rather a terminology used to mean it’s a way, a mean that will lead this program to its goals, which are self-advocacy and social recreation.

Mrs. Botta confirmed that the modification will follow.

3. REF # 2973 AMENDING THE 2016 BUDGET BY APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF ADDITIONAL FUNDS FROM THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES (OASAS) TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,895 [NCTD] AND FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$238,420 FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2016 WHICH ARE TO BE DISTRIBUTED TO COMMUNITY AWARENESS NETWORK FOR A DRUG-FREE LIFE AND ENVIRONMENT, INC. (C.A.N.D.L.E.) AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS INCLUDING THE APPLICABLE CONTRACT AMENDMENT [DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH] (\$238,420) (MICHAEL LEITZES COMMISSIONER OF MENTAL HEALTH) DL#: 2016-02634

MOTION TO APPROVE:
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Chair Soskin stated that the County is always in favor of receiving funds. The funding from the New York State Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services will surely go to good used for great programs at the Rockland County Department Health.

4. REF #9019 APPROVING AN INTERMUNICIPAL HOST SITE AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,800 BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND ON BEHALF OF ITS YOUTH BUREAU AND THE VILLAGE OF HAVERSTRAW FOR THE ROCKLAND CONSERVATION AND SERVICE CORPS ENVIRONMENTAL CORPS PROGRAM FROM JUNE 1, 2016 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2016 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE INTERMUNICIPAL HOST SITE AGREEMENT [YOUTH BUREAU] (\$4,800)
(MARIANNE McCARNEY ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF YOUTH BUREAU) DL#: 2026-03061

MOTION TO APPROVE:
SOSKIN/SCHOENBERGER, PAUL, EARL

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Chair Soskin stated that he hopes in the near future that Commissioners and/or department heads come before the committees to please answer questions.

5. REF. #3179 CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF GAIL GOLDEN, NEW CITY, NEW YORK TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY YOUTH BUREAU BOARD OF DIRECTORS
(EDWIN J. DAY COUNTY EXECUTIVE) DL#: 2016-02671

MOTION TO APPROVE:
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Amended "Formerly" added to fifth whereas, clause.

Chair Soskin confirmed Mrs. Golden appointment and thanked her for wanting to serve the County even as she is a retiree.

6. REF. #8148 CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF JUDITH ESTEROW, SUFFERN, NEW YORK TO THE ARTS IN PUBLIC PLACES COMMITTEE
(EDWIN J. DAY COUNTY EXECUTIVE) DL#: 2016-02625

MOTION TO APPROVE:
SOSKIN/EARL, PAUL, Schoenberger

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Mrs. Esterow came before the committee and advised that she has a strong background in arts and she is very happy for this opportunity and is pleased to serve. Mrs. Esterow added that she has already met with most of the Committee members.

Chair Soskin thanked Mrs. Esterow for her willingness to work for the County and added that he read her resume and found it very impressive.

Leg. Schoenberger congratulated Mrs. Esterow and added that he believes she would be a very good addition to the Committee.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: 6:55 PM.
Schoenberger/Earl

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Respectfully, Submitted

Lesly Senatus, Committee Clerk