

# The Legislature of Rockland County



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

**Members Present:**

Leg. M. Grant, Chair  
Leg. A. Wolfe, Vice Chair  
Leg. Chairwoman Cornell  
Leg. J. Hood, Jr.  
Leg. N. Low-Hogan  
Leg. I. Schoenberger  
Leg. P. Soskin  
Leg. T. Earl

**Members Absent:**

Leg. J. Murphy  
Leg. F. Sparaco

**Others Present:**

Leg. D. Jobson  
Leg. A. Wieder  
R. McKay, Esq.  
R. Brega  
T. Vanderbeek  
D. Philips  
P. Brennan  
Leg. C. Carey  
N. Doliner  
S. DeGroat  
R. Hansen  
A. Connors  
S. Grogan

MINUTES  
BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2013  
**7:30 PM**

CHAIR GRANT OPENED THE MEETING AT 10:15 PM WITH THE ADOPTION OF MINUTES, MEETINGS OF SEPTEMBER 24 AND OCTOBER 8, 2013

**MOTION TO ADOPT:**  
**LOW-HOGAN/CORNELL**

**UNAN**

**1. BONDS/PUBLIC WORKS MATTER:**

1PPW) REF. #9252 - APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH IBI GROUP FOR CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM DEPLOYMENT PLAN FOR THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION UNDER RFB-FTA-RC-2012-022 FROM FINAL CONTRACT EXECUTION FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$165,869 WITH FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL ONE (1) YEAR OPTIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION) (\$165,869)  
**(THOMAS VANDERBEEK, COMMISSIONER, PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION) DL#2013-04270**  
*ADDITIONAL BACK-UP WITH CLERK*

*TRANSFERRED FROM PPW 11/12/13*

*ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, WOLFE, GRANT, JOBSON, PAUL*

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

**UNAN**

**ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. CORNELL, HOOD, JR. SOSKIN, EARL, LOW-HOGAN,**

2PPW) REF. #1319 - APPROVING AMENDMENT OF AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH BERGMANN ASSOCIATES IN AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$224,700 FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$544,700 TO UPDATE THE LOCAL SANITARY SEWER AND ADDITIONAL WORK TO ACCOMMODATE WATER COMPANY FACILITIES FOR THE PASCACK BROOK CULVERT FLOOD MITIGATION PROJECT FROM AUGUST 1, 2011 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2013 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE CAPITAL PROJECT ACCOUNT NO. 7001 (DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS/DRAINAGE AGENCY) (\$544,700)  
**(CHARLES VEZZETTI, CHAIRMAN, DRAINAGE AGENCY)**  
**DL#2013-04316**

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**MOTION TO APPROVE:**  
**EARL/SOSKIN**

**UNAN**

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

3PPW) REF. #1319 - AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION OF FOUR PERMANENT EASEMENTS FOR THE PASCACK BROOK BYPASS CULVERT PROJECT VILLAGE OF SPRING VALLEY CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 7113 (DRAINAGE AGENCY)  
**(CHARLES VEZZETTI, CHAIRMAN, DRAINAGE AGENCY)**  
**DL#2013-04338**

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**MOTION TO APPROVE:**  
**EARL/SOSKIN**

**UNAN**

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

4PPW) REF. #5906 - APPROVING ADDITIONAL PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 FROM H. KREVIT & CO., INC. FOR THE PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF SODIUM HYPOCHLORITE TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1 UNDER RFB-RC-2011-030 IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$88,200 FOR THE SECOND YEAR OPTION TERM FROM MAY 31, 2013 THROUGH MAY 30, 2014 AND IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$255,173.32 FOR THE FULL PERIOD FROM MAY 31, 2011 THROUGH MAY 30, 2014 WITH ALL PURCHASES TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – DIVISION OF PURCHASING) (\$255,173.32)  
**(GERRY WALSH, COMMISSIONER, DGS-PURCHASING) DL#2013-03896**

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

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

**UNAN**

5PPW) REF. #6306 - AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE CLERK TO THE LEGISLATURE TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDING L EMERGENCY GENERATOR INSTALLATION CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 2078 (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – FACILITIES MANAGEMENT)  
**(GERRY WALSH, COMMISSIONER, DGS-PURCHASING) DL#2013-04430**

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**MOTION TO APPROVE:  
CORNELL/SCHOENBERGER**

**UNAN**

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

6PPW) REF. #8593 - RATIFYING AN AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH COLONIAL ENERGY INC. FOR THE SUPPLY OF NATURAL GAS (INTERRUPTIBLE ACCOUNTS) FOR THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$520,000 AND ROCKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$320,000 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$840,000 FOR THE PERIOD FROM NOVEMBER 1, 2013 THROUGH OCTOBER 31, 2015 WITH ALL PURCHASES TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASING ORDER (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – DIVISION OF PURCHASING) (\$840,000) (GERRY WALSH, COMMISSIONER, DGS-PURCHASING) DL#2013-04079

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ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, WOLFE, JOBSON, PAUL*

**MOTION TO APPROVE:  
EARL/SOSKIN**

**UNAN**

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

7PPW) REF. #6795 - APPROVING THE PURCHASES OF SERVICES IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 FROM KEN'S TREE CARE, INC. FOR TREE CUTTING AND REMOVAL SERVICES ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS INCLUDING THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – FACILITIES MANAGEMENT, THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DRAINAGE AGENCY AND THE DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES UNDER RFB-RC-2013-079 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$195,208 FOR THE PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 13, 2013 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 12, 2014 WITH FOUR (4) ADDITIONAL ONE (1) YEAR OPTION TERMS (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – DIVISION OF PURCHASING) (\$195,208) BACK-UP WITH CLERK (GERRY WALSH, COMMISSIONER, DGS-PURCHASING) DL#2013-04016  
*ADDITIONAL BACK-UP WITH CLERK*

*TRANSFERRED FROM PPW 11/12/13  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, WOLFE, GRANT, JOBSON, PAUL*

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

**UNAN**

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

8PPW) REF. #9252 - APPROVING THE PURCHASE IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 FROM BETTER POWER, INC. OF A GENERAC MOBILE POWER 45KW GENERATOR UNDER NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF GENERAL SERVICES CONTRACT NO. PC62003 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$29,533 AND FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$108,852 WHICH PURCHASE IS TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – DIVISION OF PURCHASING) (\$108,852)  
**(GERRY WALSH, COMMISSIONER, DGS-PURCHASING) DL#2013-04386**

*TRANSFERRED FROM PPW 11/12/13*

*ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, WOLFE, GRANT, JOBSON, PAUL*

**MOTION TO APPROVE:  
WOLFE/CORNELL**

**UNAN**

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

9PPW) REF. #6803 - APPROVING ADDITIONAL PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 FROM TILCON NEW YORK INC. FOR SUBBASE MATERIAL, CRUSHED STONE, GRAVEL, SAND AND STONE FOR BANK AND CHANNEL PROTECTION FOR USE BY THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DRAINAGE AGENCY UNDER RFB-RC-2012-065 IN AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 DURING THE OPTION TERM FROM SEPTEMBER 20, 2013 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 19, 2014 AND FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000 FROM THE FULL PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 20, 2012 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 19, 2014 WITH ALL PURCHASES TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES – DIVISION OF PURCHASING) (\$500,000)  
**(GERRY WALSH, COMMISSIONER, DGS-PURCHASING) DL#2013-04383**

*TRANSFERRED FROM PPW 11/12/13*

*ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, WOLFE, GRANT, JOBSON, PAUL*

**MOTION TO APPROVE:  
SCHOENBERGER/HOOD, JR.**

**UNAN**

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

**2. GRANTS/DONATIONS:**

- 2A) REF. #8886 - APPROVING ACCEPTANCE OF A CONTINUATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$376,735 (NCTD) WITH A POTENTIAL C.O.L.A. AWARD ESTIMATED TO BE \$30,138 (NCTD) FOR A TOTAL GRANT AWARD OF \$406,873 (NCTD) FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR ACTIVITIES RELATED TO ADOLESCENT TOBACCO ENFORCEMENT FOR THE PERIOD APRIL 1, 2013 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2018 AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY GRANT DOCUMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH) (\$406,873)  
**(DR. PATRICIA S. RUPPERT, COMMISSIONER, HEALTH DEPT.) DL#2013-04145**

**MOTION TO APPROVE:  
EARL/SOSKIN**

**UNAN**

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

- 2B) REF. #9340 - ACCEPTANCE OF A CONTINUATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$78,919 WITH A POTENTIAL C.O.L.A. AWARD ESTIMATED TO BE \$6,314 FOR A TOTAL GRANT AWARD OF \$85,233 FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2013 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2014 WITH A LOCAL SHARE OF \$5,000 ASSOCIATED WITH THIS GRANT AND \$1,408 OF ESTIMATED EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT, MAKING TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS NEEDED FOR THIS PROGRAM FOR SAID PERIOD \$91,641 AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE NECESSARY GRANT DOCUMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH) (\$91,641)  
**(DR. PATRICIA S. RUPPERT, COMMISSIONER, HEALTH DEPT.) DL#2013-04373**

**MOTION TO APPROVE:  
CORNELL/SCHOENBERGER**

**UNAN**

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

**3. BUDGET ITEMS:**

**NONE**

**4. AUTHORIZATIONS:**

**NONE**

**5. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS:**

- 5A) REF. #7342 - APPROVING LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE HAVERSTRAW MARINA FOR RENTAL OF A WINTER SLIP FOR A 28' PATROL VESSEL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$546.00 AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF) (\$546.00)  
**(LOUIS FALCO, SHERIFF) DL#2013-04260**

**MOTION TO APPROVE:  
HOOD, JR./EARL**

**UNAN**

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

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

- 6A) REF. #6546 - ESTABLISHING THREE POSITIONS AND ABOLISHING THREE POSITIONS IN CONNECTION WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IPA (IN PERSON ASSISTOR)/NAVIGATOR GRANT (NCTD) ACCEPTED BY RESOLUTION NO. 482 OF 2013 (DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH)  
**(JOAN SILVESTRI, COMMISSIONER, PERSONNEL) DL#2013-04312**

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

**UNAN**

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

**7. BIDS:**

**NONE**

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

- 8A) REF. #4817 - TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,386,374 TO OFFSET THE LOSS OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE CHARGE BACK INCOME BUDGETED TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE TOWNS IN ROCKLAND COUNTY FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013 DUE TO THE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 532 OF 2013 (\$1,386,374)  
**(HON. C. SCOTT VANDERHOEF, COUNTY EXECUTIVE) DL#2013-04401**

Chair Grant stated the taxpayers had already been taxed for this money in their 2013 property tax bill and the towns are not planning on refunding them. Chair Grant said he would vote no on this tonight as he believes this is a very political resolution.

Leg. Wolfe agreed with Chair Grant stating no matter what the Legislature does, the hole still remains in the County budget. Leg. Wolfe said his no vote was personal and felt it was a sham to transfer funds as he wanted to reflect what it really is.

**MOTION TO APPROVE:  
SCHOENBERGER/HOOD, JR.**

**FAILED  
4 AYES/4 NAYS**

**4 AYES: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, SOSKIN, EARL, HOOD, JR.  
4 NAYS: LEGS. GRANT, WOLFE, CORNELL, LOW-HOGAN**

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| <b>9. <u>TAX ITEMS:</u></b>                               | <b>NONE</b> |
| <b>10. <u>PUBLIC HEARINGS:</u></b>                        | <b>NONE</b> |
| <b>11. <u>LOCAL LAWS/HOME RULES:</u></b>                  | <b>NONE</b> |
| <b>12. <u>PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS:</u></b>              | <b>NONE</b> |
| <b>13. <u>MISCELLANEOUS:</u></b>                          | <b>NONE</b> |
| <b>14. <u>RECEIVE &amp; FILE:</u></b>                     | <b>NONE</b> |
| <b>15. <u>CORRESPONDENCE – REVIEW AND DISCUSSION:</u></b> | <b>NONE</b> |

**MOTION TO ADJOURN: 10:35 PM  
SOSKIN/LOW-HOGAN**

**UNAN**

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