

The Legislature of Rockland County



MICHAEL M. GRANT
Legislator - District 2

Chair, Budget & Finance Committee
Vice-Chair, Government Operations Committee
2nd Vice Chair - Planning & Public Works Committee

Members Present:

Leg. M. Grant, Chair
Leg. A. Wolfe, Vice Chair
Leg. I. Schoenberger, 2nd VC
Leg. H. Cornell
Leg. T. Earl
Leg. N. Low-Hogan
Leg. J. Murphy
Leg. P. Soskin

Members Absent:

Leg. J. Hood, Jr.
Leg. F. Sparaco

Others Present:

Leg. D. Jobson
Leg. C. Carey
E. Yeger, Esq.
C. Monel
A. Connors
M. Saber
A. Curley

Leg. A. Paul
N. Doliner
S. Powers
J. Molof
D. Schuetz
L. Hogar

MINUTES
BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2014
7:30 PM

ROLL CALL

ADOPTION OF MINUTES, MEETING OF NOVEMBER 25, 2014

MOTION TO ADOPT:
LOW-HOGAN/CORNELL

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1. BONDS/PUBLIC WORKS MATTER:

1PPW) REF. #2799 - APPROVING ADDITIONAL PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH JOE LOMBARDO PLUMBING AND HEATING FOR PLUMBING SERVICES FOR EMERGENCY REPAIR REQUESTS AT VARIOUS COUNTY FACILITIES ROCKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE, COUNTY RUN SATELLITES AND SPECIFIC RESIDENTIAL AREAS COVERED UNDER SECTION 6 OF BID SPECIFICATIONS IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$195,000 AND TO EXERCISE THE ONE YEAR OPTION TERM FROM JANUARY 22, 2015 THROUGH JANUARY 21, 2016 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$273,914.68 FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 22, 2014 THROUGH JANUARY 21, 2016 UNDER RFB-RC-2014-003 WITH ALL PURCHASES TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES - DIVISION OF PURCHASING) (\$273,914.68)
(PAUL J. BRENNAN, DIRECTOR DGS-PURCHASING)
DL#2014-04710

TRANSFERRED FROM PPW

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

**MOTION TO APPROVE:
WOLFE/SCHOENBERGER**

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ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. CORNELL, EARL, SOSKIN

2PPW) REF. #6394 - AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 433 OF 2014 APPROVING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$715,000 (NO COUNTY TAX DOLLARS) FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS OF PARK AND RIDE LOTS IN THE TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2014 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2014 BY EXTENDING THE TERM THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2015 (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION) (\$715,000)
(D. SCHUETZ, ACTING COMMISSIONER PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION)
DL#2014-05077

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ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, WOLFE, JOBSON

**MOTION TO APPROVE:
SOSKIN/MURPHY**

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ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. CORNELL, EARL, SOSKIN

3PPW) REF. #6394 - AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION AND FUNDING IN THE FIRST INSTANCE OF 100% OF FEDERAL-AID AND STATE "MARCHISELLI" PROGRAM-AID ELIGIBLE COSTS OF A TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL PROJECT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR A PROJECT FOR THE BRIDGE REPLACEMENT OF OAK TREE ROAD OVER SPARKILL CREEK IN THE TOWN OF ORANGETOWN (DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS) (\$430,000)
(CHARLES VEZZETTI, SUPERINTENDENT HIGHWAY)
DL#2014-04899

TRANSFERRED FROM PPW

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

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

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ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. CORNELL, EARL, SOSKIN

4PPW) REF. #5906 - APPROVING ADDITIONAL PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$100,00 FROM NRP GROUP FOR THE INSTALLATION AND OPERATION OF ODOR CONTROL SYSTEMS AT VARIOUS PUMP STATIONS FOR THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1 IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$122,265 AND TO EXERCISE THE FIRST OPTION TERM OF THE CONTRACT FROM DECEMBER 1, 2014 THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 2015 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$244,530 FOR THE PERIOD FROM DECEMBER 1, 2013 THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 2015 WITH THREE (3) ONE (1) YEAR OPTION TERMS WITH ALL PURCHASES TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER UNDER RFB-RC-2012-025 (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES - DIVISION OF PURCHASING) ((\$244,530)
(PAUL J. BRENNAN, DIRECTOR DGS-PURCHASING)
DL#2014-04750
ADDITIONAL BACK-UP WITH CLERK

TRANSFERRED FROM PPW

ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, WOLFE, JOBSON

**MOTION TO APPROVE:
WOLFE/SCHOENBERGER**

UNAN

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

5PPW) REF. #5906 - APPROVING AMENDMENT TO OUTSIDE COUNSEL AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH PANNONE LOPES DEVEREAUX & WEST LLC IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$600,000 FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$2,710,000 FOR SPECIAL COUNSEL SERVICES AND EXTENDING TERM THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (ROCKLAND COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1) (\$2,710,000)
(DIANNE T. PHILIPPS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SEWER DISTRICT)
DL#2014-04859

TRANSFERRED FROM PPW
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, WOLFE, JOBSON

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

ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. CORNELL, EARL, SOSKIN

2. GRANTS/DONATIONS:

2A) REF. #5327 - APPROVING ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000 (NCTD) FROM THE UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE TO BE USED IN CONNECTION WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF THE ROCKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF'S COMPUTER CRIME UNIT IN THE NEW YORK/ NEW JERSEY ELECTRONIC CRIMES TASK FORCE FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2015 THROUGH APRIL 20, 2015 (OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF) (\$40,000)
(LOUIS FALCO, SHERIFF)
DL#2014-05007

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

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

3. BUDGET ITEMS: **NONE**

4. AUTHORIZATIONS:

- 4A) REF. #4723 - PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE IN THE MINIMUM HOURLY WAGE FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES TRAINEES IN THE ROCKLAND COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING AND FOR YOUTH WORKERS IN THE ROCKLAND COUNTY YOUTH BUREAU AND FOR STUDENT WORKERS EMPLOYED BY THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NEW YORK STATE MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 31, 2014
(JOAN M. SILVESTRI, COMMISSIONER PERSONNEL)
DL#2014-04944

**MOTION TO APPROVE:
WOLFE/MURPHY**

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

5. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS:

- 5A) REF. #9458 - AUTHORIZING INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE VILLAGE OF NYACK (\$5,000), VILLAGE OF HAVERSTRAW (\$5,000), VILLAGE OF PIERMONT FOR FIREWORKS DISPLAY REIMBURSEMENT AND AUTHORIZING THEIR EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE)
(EDWIN J. DAY, COUNTY EXECUTIVE)
**SPONSORS: LEGS. HARRIET D. CORNELL, JAY HOOD, JR.,
NANCY LOW-HOGAN**
DL#2014-04986 rev 12/2/14

***TRANSFERRED FROM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
ADDED SPONSORS: LEG. SCHOENBERGER***

Leg. Schoenberger questioned Mr. Monel whether there were any talks about a similar plan with the villages for 2014. Mr. Monel stated they have had conversations with the villages and are negotiating amounts. The money would come from "I LOVE NY" which is 50/50 funding between State and County. Mr. Monel said the County was looking for a maximum of \$2,500 per village.

Legislative Chairman Wolfe felt if funding was intended for a contract for 2014, it should be done the beginning of the year and not addressed in the following year's budget. This is a bad pattern to get into and Leg. Schoenberger agreed. Leg. Schoenberger said he was not at all against this agreement, just the way it was being done.

ACTION:

- **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR REQUESTED TO PROVIDE LEGISLATURE WITH A WRITTEN PLAN FOR AGREEMENTS WITH VILLAGES FOR 2014. ALSO REQUESTED TO PROVIDE DETAILS FOR "I LOVE NY" FUNDING AND HOW IT WILL BE USED**

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

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ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. GRANT, WOLFE, EARL, SOSKIN, JOBSON

5B) REF. #9372 - APPROVING THE FURTHER EXTENSION OF AND AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH CROTHALL SERVICES GROUP FOR MANAGEMENT SERVICES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL HOUSEKEEPING FUNCTION FOR THE LONG-TERM ACUTE CARE HOSPITAL, ADULT HOME AND OTHER BUILDINGS AT THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND HEALTH FACILITIES AND BUILDINGS UNDER RFP-RC-2010-013 EXERCISING THE SECOND SIX (6) MONTHS OF THE SECOND YEAR OPTION TERM OF THE AGREEMENT FROM DECEMBER 1, 2014 THROUGH MAY 31, 2015 AND INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF THE AGREEMENT BY \$224,505.78 FOR THE PERIOD FROM DECEMBER 1, 2014 THROUGH MAY 31, 2015 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,761,246.80 FOR THE FULL PERIOD FROM JUNE 1, 2011 THROUGH MAY 31, 2015 WITH ONE (1) REMAINING ONE (1) YEAR OPTION TERM AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE EXTENSION/AMENDMENT (DEPARTMENT OF HOSPITALS) (\$1,761,246.80)
**(DONNA M. PAULDINE, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, HOSPITALS)
DL#2014-04562**

Anne Marie Curley explained this is the six month balance of the second option year with one (1) additional one (1) year option left. The Dept. of Hospitals has requested the additional six months pending the sale of the hospital. Upon the sale this agreement will be renegotiated.

***TRANSFERRED FROM MULTI-SERVICES
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SOSKIN, EARL, PAUL, WIEDER, JOBSON***

**MOTION TO APPROVE:
SOSKIN/MURPHY**

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

6. ALLOCATION/RECLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS: **NONE**

7. BIDS: **NONE**

8. TRANSFER OF FUNDS/OTHERS:

8A) REF. #9495 - TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM THE 2014 CONTINGENCY FUND TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO COVER COURT ORDERED CONFINEMENT EXPENSE (DEPARTMENTS OF BUDGET AND FINANCE) (\$100,000)
(STEPHEN F. DEGROAT, COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE)
DL#2014-05041

Leg. Schoenberger questioned why this money was being taken from contingency. Legislative Fiscal Analyst Nicole Doliner explained that there is a tab called Mental Health contracts and one of these is specifically for these court-ordered expenses. There is \$600,000 budgeted for 2014 and they need another \$100,000 year-to-date.

MOTION TO APPROVE: **UNAN**
MURPHY/GRANT

ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, CORNELL, EARL, SOSKIN, JOBSON

ACTION:

- **FINANCE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE EXPLANATION AS TO WHY FUNDS MUST COME FROM CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT AND WHETHER OR NOT THERE ARE ALTERNATE DEPARTMENTS FROM WHERE FUNDS COULD BE TRANSFERRED**

9. TAX ITEMS:

9A) REF. #5906 - AUTHORIZING THE RELEVY OF 2013-2014 SEWER RENTS ON 2015 TAX LEVY
(DIANNE T. PHILIPPS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SEWER DISTRICT)
DL#2014-05097

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MOTION TO APPROVE: **UNAN**
CORNELL/SOSKIN

ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. WOLFE, SCHOENBERGER, CORNELL, EARL, SOSKIN, JOBSON

10. PUBLIC HEARINGS: **NONE**

11. LOCAL LAWS/HOME RULES: **NONE**

12. PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS: NONE
13. MISCELLANEOUS: NONE
14. RECEIVE & FILE: NONE
15. CORRESPONDENCE/REVIEW AND DISCUSSION: NONE

ADDENDUM

1. REF. #9495 - APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$1,250 TO AMERICAN LEGION SLOATSBURG MEMORIAL POST NO. 1643, SLOATSBURG, NEW YORK FOR PATRIOTIC OBSERVANCES IN 2014
(HON. DOUGLAS J. JOBSON, LEGISLATURE)
LG#3381

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNAN
SOSKIN/MURPHY

ADDED CO-SPONSORS: LEGS. GRANT, SCHOENBERGER, WOLFE, CORNELL, EARL, SOSKIN

2. REF. #2973 - APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FROM THE NEW YORK OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH (DMH) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$224,834 (NCTD) FOR A MOBILE CRISIS UNIT FOR THE PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2014 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS (DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH) (\$224,834)
(MICHAEL LEITZES, COMMISSIONER, MENTAL HEALTH)
DL#2014-05259
(SPONSOR: HON. JOHN MURPHY, LEGISLATURE)

*TRANSFERRED FROM MULTI-SERVICES
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SOSKIN, EARL, PAUL, JOBSON, WIEDER
GRANT, SCHOENBERGER, CAREY*

MOTION TO APPROVE: UNAN
MURPHY/EARL, WOLFE, SOSKIN, SCHOENBERGER

ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. WOLFE, CORNELL

ACTIONS:

DISCUSSIONS ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON FUTURE AGENDA OF MULTI-SERVICES COMMITTEE TO ADDRESS THE FOLLOWING:

- **DISCUSSION WITH NYACK HOSPITAL AND THE COUNTY DMH TO PROVIDE STATUS OF THE EMERGENCY IN-PATIENT UNIT AT NYACK HOSPITAL**
- **DISCUSSION WITH ACTING MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSIONER TO EXPLAIN AND CLARIFY THE MOBILE CRISIS UNIT. THE MOBILE UNIT SERVICE PROVIDER AS WELL AS MEMBERS OF THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE COMMUNITY TO BE INVITED TO PARTAKE IN THE DISCUSSION.**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN: 8:15 PM
SCHOENBERGER/EARL**

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