

# +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. I. Schoenberger, 2nd VC  
Leg. H. Cornell  
Leg. T. Earl  
Leg. J. Hood, Jr.  
Leg. D. Jobson  
Leg. N. Low-Hogan  
Leg. J. Murphy

**Members Absent:**

Leg. A. Wolfe, Vice Chair  
Leg. P. Soskin

**Others Present:**

Leg. A. Paul  
Leg. R. Diaz  
E. Yeger, Esq.  
G. Rosa  
T. Humbach  
A. Kassay  
L. Farber  
B. Gruffi  
A. Connors

Leg. C. Carey  
Leg. L. Hofstein  
N. Doliner  
S. Powers  
N. DeSantis  
S. DeGroat  
A.M. Curley  
R. Hansen  
D. Phillips

MINUTES  
BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2015  
7:15 PM

ROLL CALL

ADOPTION OF MINUTES: MEETING OF JULY 28, 2015

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

**UNAN**

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

1PPW) REF. #8293 - APPROVING ACCEPTANCE OF A CONTINUATION GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,971,000 (WITH A \$2,132,000 LOCAL SHARE WHICH DOES NOT INVOLVE THE EXPENDITURE OF COUNTY TAX DOLLARS) FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR TAPPAN ZEE EXPRESS BUS SERVICE FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2015 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2015, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO ACCEPT THIS GRANT (DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION) (\$1,971,000)  
**(DOUGLAS J. SCHUETZ, ACTING COMMISSIONER, PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION)**  
**DL#: 2015-03004**

TRANSFERRED FROM PPW  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, GRANT, PAUL, MORONEY

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

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

2PPW) REF. #6394 - AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION AND FUNDING IN THE FIRST INSTANCE 100% OF THE FEDERAL-AID AND STATE "MARCHISELLI" PROGRAM-AID ELIGIBLE COSTS, OF A TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL AID PROJECT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$297,000 FRO THE RECONSTRUCTION OF RIVER ROAD FROM STEVENSON STREET TO THE TAPPAN ZEE BRIDGE IN THE VILLAGE OF GRAND VIEW ON THE HUDSON AND THE TOWN OF ORANGETOWN ROCKLAND COUNTY CAPITAL ACCOUNT NO. 3269 (PIN 8755.22) AND APPROVING EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS) (\$297,000)  
**(CHARLES H. VEZZETTI, SUPERINTENDENT, HIGHWAYS)**  
**DL#2015-03350**

TRANSFERRED FROM PPW  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, GRANT, PAUL, MORONEY

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

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

3PPW) REF. #9326 - APPROVING A FOURTH AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH BREGA TRANSPORT CORP. IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$5,638,796.22 FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF PRE-SCHOOL AND EARLY INTERVENTION CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH UNDER RFB-RC-2012-001 FOR THE PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2015 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2016 WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL ONE (1) YEAR TERM FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$19,556,232.84 FROM THE COMMENCEMENT DATE SEPTEMBER 1, 2012 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2016 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES, DIVISION OF PURCHASING) (\$19,556,232.84)  
**(PAUL J. BRENNAN, DIRECTOR, DGS-PURCHASING)**  
**DL#2015-03365**

TRANSFERRED FROM PPW  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, PAUL, MORONEY

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

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

4PPW) REF. #2825 - AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 201 OF 2014 FOR PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDERS FROM GILLIG LLC FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO (2) 29' AND TWO (2) 35' 12 YEAR HEAVY DUTY LOW FLOOR DIESEL BUSES IN THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$67,304 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,565,512 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION UNDER AN ORANGE COUNTY CONTRACT UNDER RFB-OC-091-11 (NO COUNTY TAX DOLLARS) (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES - DIVISION OF PURCHASING) (\$1,565,512)  
**(PAUL J. BRENNAN, DIRECTOR, DGS-PURCHASING)**  
**DL#2015-03427**  
**(ADDITIONAL BACK-UP WITH CLERK)**

TRANSFERRED FROM PPW  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, GRANT, PAUL, MORONEY

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

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

5PPW) REF. #6306 - BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND, NEW YORK, AUTHORIZING FINANCING FOR COSTS OF IMPROVEMENTS TO BUILDING L-ROOF AND EXTERIOR BUILDING REPAIRS (CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 2097), STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$900,000, APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$900,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY TO PAY THE COST THEREOF  
**(ROBERT H. GRUFFI, P.E. LEED AP, DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES MANAGEMENT)**  
**DL#2015-02502**

TRANSFERRED FROM PPW

**MOTION TO APPROVE:  
SCHOENBERGER/MURPHY**

**UNAN**

6PPW ) REF. #7442 - BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND, NEW YORK, AUTHORIZING FINANCING FOR COSTS OF ACQUISITION OF COMPUTER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE TO UPGRADE THE COUNTY'S INTEGRATED FINANCIAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES SOFTWARE SYSTEM (CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 2906), STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF SUCH PROJECT IS \$3,500,000, APPROPRIATING \$1,800,000 THEREFOR, IN ADDITION TO THE \$1,700,000 PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,800,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION  
**(ROBERT H. GRUFFI, P.E. LEED AP, DIRECTOR OF FACILITIES MANAGEMENT)**  
**DL#2015-02495**

TRANSFERRED FROM PPW

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

**UNAN**

7PPW) REF. #5906 - APPROVING AMENDMENT AND EXTENSION OF AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH VEOLIA WATER NORTH AMERICA-NORTHEAST LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,039,759 FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT SUM NOT TO EXCEED \$5,919,983 (AMOUNTS SUBJECT TO 2016 CPI AND PPI ADJUSTMENTS) AND EXTENDING THE AGREEMENT ON A MONTH TO MONTH BASIS FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 2015 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2016 FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2010 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2016 FOR THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF WESTERN RAMAPO ADVANCED WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (ROCKLAND COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1 ("DISTRICT")) (\$5,919,983) (SUBJECT TO 2016 CPI AND PPI ADJUSTMENTS) **(DIANNE PHILIPPS, PE., EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, RC SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1**  
**DL#2015-03074**

TRANSFERRED FROM PPW  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, PAUL, MORONEY

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** **UNAN**  
**JOBSON/SCHOENBERGER**

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

8PPW) REF. #5906 - APPROVING AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH METRA INDUSTRIES, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$7,465,155 FOR CONTRACT WR03-06, FOR THE WESTERN RAMAPO SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM PROJECT - OVERLOOK DRIVE, EAGLE VALLEY ROAD, JOHNSONTOWN ROAD AND GRINDER PUMPS AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (ROCKLAND COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1) (\$7,465,155) **(DIANNE PHILIPPS, PE., EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, RC SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1**  
**DL#2015-03683**

TRANSFERRED FROM PPW  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, PAUL, MORONEY

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

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

**2. GRANTS/DONATIONS:**

2A) REF. #8024 - APPROVING ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FOR AN ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF \$14,000 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$73,400 (NCTD) FROM THE STATE OF NEW YORK GOVERNOR'S TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE TO BE USED FOR STOP-DWI CRACKDOWN ENFORCEMENT FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2014 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY GRANT DOCUMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (STOP DWI-DEPARTMENT) (\$73,400)  
**(LESLIE CHERNIN, COORDINATOR STOP-DWI)**  
**DL#2015-03348**

TRANSFERRED FROM PUBLIC SAFETY  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. HOOD, JR., EARL, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN,  
MURPHY, PAUL

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

**UNAN**

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

2B) REF. #9252 - APPROVING ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,147 (NCTD) FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (DHSES) HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS (HMEP) GRANT TO ENHANCE THE COUNTY'S CAPABILITY TO MITIGATE POTENTIAL HAZARDS AND RESPOND TO AND RECOVER FROM EMERGENCIES AND DISASTERS FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 2014 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2016 AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY GRANT DOCUMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (OFFICE OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES) (\$17,147)  
**(GORDON W. WREN, JR., DIRECTOR FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES)**  
**DL#2015-02878**

TRANSFERRED FROM PUBLIC SAFETY  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. HOOD, JR., EARL, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN,  
MURPHY, PAUL

**MOTION TO APPROVE:  
EARL/CORNELL**

**UNAN**

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

2C) REF. #9252 - APPROVING ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$122,276 (NCTD) FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (DHSES) EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT (EMPG) TO PROVIDE THE COUNTY WITH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS ASSISTANCE FOR THE PROTECTION OF LIFE AND PROPERTY FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 2014 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2016 AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF ALL NECESSARY GRANT DOCUMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (OFFICE OF FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES) (\$122,276) (**GORDON W. WREN, JR., DIRECTOR FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES**) **DL#2015-02879**

TRANSFERRED FROM PUBLIC SAFETY  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. HOOD, JR., EARL, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN, MURPHY, PAUL

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

**UNAN**

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

2D) REF. #8634 - APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,250,000 (NCTD) WITH A POTENTIAL COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT (COLA) AWARD OF NO MORE THAN \$125,000 (NCTD), RESULTING IN A TOTAL GRANT AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,375,000 FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE CREATING HEALTHY SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD FROM OCTOBER 1, 2015 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2020 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS INCLUDING THE ACCOMPANYING AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH) (\$1,375,000) (**PATRICIA S. RUPPERT, COMMISSIONER HEALTH**) **DL#2015-02848**

TRANSFERRED FROM MULTI-SERVICES  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. EARL, PAUL, HOFSTEIN, MORONEY, DIAZ

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

**UNAN**

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

2E) REF. #8862 - APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$564,475 (NCTD) WITH A POTENTIAL COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT (COLA) AWARD OF NO MORE THAN \$56,448 (NCTD), RESULTING IN A TOTAL GRANT AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$620,923 FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE DRINKING WATER ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD FROM APRIL 1, 2015 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2020 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS INCLUDING THE ACCOMPANYING AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH) (\$620,923)  
**(PATRICIA S. RUPPERT, COMMISSIONER HEALTH)**  
**DL#2015-03029**

TRANSFERRED FROM MULTI-SERVICES  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. EARL, PAUL, HOFSTEIN, MORONEY, DIAZ

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** UNAN  
**CORNELL/HOOD, JR.**

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

2F) REF. #4124 - ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION FROM THE SIERRA CLUB LOWER HUDSON GROUP TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY TASK FORCE ON WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING (\$4,500)  
**(DOUGLAS J. SCHUETZ, ACTING COMMISSIONER, PLANNING)**

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

**ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. GRANT, SCHOENBERGER, CORNELL, EARL, HOOD, JR., JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN**

### **3. BUDGET ITEMS:**

3A) REF. #9500 - AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF FUNDS IN VARIOUS AMOUNTS TO NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS PURSUANT TO COUNTY LAW §224  
**(HONS. ALDEN H. WOLFE, ILAN S. SCHOENBERGER, LEGISLATURE)**  
**LG#2015-90**

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

**ADDED CO-SPONSORS: LEGS. GRANT, CORNELL, EARL, HOOD, JR., JOBSON,**

**4. AUTHORIZATIONS:**

**NONE**

**5. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS:**

5A) REF. #7493 - APPROVING PURCHASES IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH GARELICK FARMS, LLC FOR THE PURCHASE OF MILK AND MILK PRODUCTS FOR THE COUNTY'S HOSPITAL AND CORRECTIONAL CENTER IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$117,057.33 FOR THE PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 28, 2015 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 27, 2016 UNDER RFB-RC-F2015-910 WITH ALL PURCHASES TO BE MADE BY FORMAL PURCHASE ORDER (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES-DIVISION OF PURCHASING) (\$117,057.33)  
**(PAUL J. BRENNAN, DIRECTOR, DGS PURCHASING)**  
**DL#2015-03345**

**MOTION TO APPROVE:  
MURPHY/EARL**

**UNAN**

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

5B) REF. #8894 - APPROVING THE AGREEMENTS, EACH OF WHICH IS IN EXCESS OF \$100,000, WITH THE PROVIDERS LISTED ON THE ANNEXED SCHEDULE A TO PROVIDE SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL SERVICES IN PRE-SCHOOL AND EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAMS IN A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$19,450,000 FOR THE PERIOD FROM JULY 1, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENTS (DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH) (\$19,450,000)  
**(HON. PATRICIA S. RUPPERT, COMMISSIONER HEALTH)**  
**DL#2015-03414**

TRANSFERRED FROM MULTI-SERVICES  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. EARL, PAUL, HOFSTEIN, MORONEY, DIAZ

**MOTION TO APPROVE:  
EARL/JOBSON**

**UNAN**

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

5C) REF. #9372 - APPROVING THE EXTENSION OF AND AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT IN EXCESS OF \$100,000 WITH ROCKLAND ACUTE SERVICES, LLC TO PROVIDE DIALYSIS SERVICES FOR PATIENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOSPITALS UNDER RFP-RC-2014-001 EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT FROM MAY 1, 2015 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 AND INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF THE AGREEMENT BY \$126,892.72 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$606,892.72 FOR THE FULL PERIOD FROM MARCH 1, 2014 THROUGH SEPT. 30, 2015 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (DEPARTMENT OF HOSPITALS) (\$606,892.72) **(HON. DAVID H. FREED, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER HOSPITALS)**  
**DL#2015-02597**

TRANSFERRED FROM MULTI-SERVICES  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. EARL, PAUL, HOFSTEIN, MORONEY, DIAZ

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

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

5D) REF. #9361 - AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE TOWN OF CLARKSTOWN FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR PORTABLE RADIOLOGICAL DEVICE (PRD) AND PACEYE TRAINING AS OUTLINED IN THE SECURING THE CITIES INITIATIVE SUPPORTED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, STATE OF NEW YORK AND THE NEW YORK STATE POLICE, FOR THE PERIOD FROM MAY 13, 2014 THROUGH MAY 15, 2014 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$6,955.15 AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT) (\$6,995.15)  
**(HON. LOUIS FALCO III, SHERIFF)**  
**DL#2015-00693**

TRANSFERRED FROM PUBLIC SAFETY  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. HOOD, JR., EARL, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN, MURPHY, PAUL

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** **UNAN**  
**JOBSON/HOOD, JR.**

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

5E) REF. #9252 - APPROVING AN INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE COUNTY OF ULSTER FOR \$43,000 (NCTD) OF HAZMAT EQUIPMENT FOR ITS USE AS PART OF THE REGIONAL HAZMAT TEAM FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 2014 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2016 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES) (\$43,000)  
**(GORDON WREN, JR., DIRECTOR, FIRE & EMERGENCY)**  
**DL#2015-03508**

TRANSFERRED FROM PUBLIC SAFETY  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. HOOD, JR., EARL, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN,  
MURPHY, PAUL

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

**UNAN**

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

5F) REF. #9252 - APPROVING AN INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE COUNTY OF ORANGE FOR \$33,000 (NCTD) OF HAZMAT EQUIPMENT FOR ITS USE AS PART OF THE REGIONAL HAZMAT TEAM FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 2014 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2016 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES) (\$33,000)  
**(GORDON WREN, JR., DIRECTOR, FIRE & EMERGENCY)**  
**DL#2015-03383**

TRANSFERRED FROM PUBLIC SAFETY  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. HOOD, JR., EARL, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN,  
MURPHY, PAUL

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

**UNAN**

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

- 5G) REF. #9252 - APPROVING AN INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE COUNTY OF SULLIVAN FOR \$33,000 (NCTD) OF HAZMAT EQUIPMENT FOR ITS USE AS PART OF THE REGIONAL HAZMAT TEAM FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 2014 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2016 AND AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE (FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES) (\$33,000)  
**(GORDON WREN, JR., DIRECTOR, FIRE & EMERGENCY)**  
**DL#2015-03506**
- TRANSFERRED FROM PUBLIC SAFETY  
ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. HOOD, JR., EARL, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN, MURPHY, PAUL

**MOTION TO APPROVE:**  
**MURPHY/EARL**

**UNAN**

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

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

- 6A) REF. #9162 - ABOLISHING POSITIONS IN THE ROCKLAND COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HOSPITALS  
**(JOAN SILVESTRI, COMMISSIONER OF PERSONNEL)**  
**DL#2015-03708**

Commissioner of Personnel Joan Silvestri explained that the abolishment of positions is what begins the notification process and this needs legislative approval. Commissioner Silvestri said there are 428 positions involved and they anticipate that 38 people will be displacing others positions in the County by enacting "bumping rights" and others will opt for retirement. Civil service regulations state that jobs must be eliminated before the workforce reduction can move forward.

Leg. Schoenberger said he is not comfortable with this resolution. There are a lengthy list of conditions to fulfill prior to granting approval to close the hospital and many of them are not under the County's control. The buyer does not have employees to fill the jobs; how can he run the facility? This confirms this resolution is not timely. If there is no staff, the State won't approve the sale. If we abolish these positions it is sending the wrong message. It is counterproductive if the employees leave to find another job, where will the new owner get the personnel it needs to run the hospital. It is the County's hope and intention that the new purchaser hire our personnel (as many as he can). I want to know our options. What will the County do if buyer cannot close by Sept. 30th? Keep the down payment?? Sue?? What about the patients? Does the County Executive have a fall-back plan? Will it get extended? We can't not fund the hospital; we have serious obligations.

County Attorney Humbach stated they had negotiated terms in the contract to look at staff but they cannot force them to do so.

Dr. Freed stated that Counsel for the buyer said the process of interviewing for jobs should start at the beginning of September.

Leg. Grant noted that this would have tremendous appeal to the legislators if that process was started.

Dr. Freed stated from his experience the buyers don't have a warehouse full of people to fill these jobs and therefore, will need the present staff to run the facility. Mr. Freed said the county is more ready to do the exiting than the buyer is to do the entrancing.

Commissioner Silvestri agreed stating there is anxiety in the hospital and many calls being made to Dr. Freed. The buyer needs our employees more than they need him. Patient care is of the utmost importance. We are plodding and pushing along.

DCE Rosa stated the contract between the LDC and Sympaticare expires on September 30, 2015. Any month beyond Sept. 30 is a loss of \$1.5 million.

Leg. Hood, Jr. said we need to have our ducks in a row and if we need another month, pay the \$1.5 million. It is already budgeted and he would be OK with that.

Leg. Diaz said although he is not a voting member of the B&F committee, he does not think the employees should be left in limbo; they need to let the employees know, especially those close to retirement.

Leg. Hood said he knows how hard Commissioner Silvestri, DCE Rosa and Dr. Freed have been working on this; his frustration is with the buyer, not them.

DCE Rosa stated this is the best shot we have - we are very, very close to fulfilling what the Legislature voted for in 2012 when they created the LDC.

Dr. Freed noted in terms of the employees, caretakers and patients that after nearly 5 years, uncertainty was worse than adversity. Dr. Freed appealed to the Legislators to keep the ball rolling.

Leg. Grant stated he wanted to insure civil service rights to those who have suffered long enough. We are at a crossroads right now and this is the right thing to do. He stated he doesn't support people losing their jobs but I does support the process moving forward.

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

**FAILED  
5 AYES/3 NAYS**

**5 AYES: LEGS. GRANT, CORNELL, HOOD, JR., LOW-HOGAN, MURPHY  
3 NAYS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, EARL, JOBSON**

**7. BIDS:** **NONE**

**8. TRANSFER OF FUNDS/OTHERS:** **NONE**

**9. TAX ITEMS:**

9A) REF. #5614 - CORRECTION OF 2012 TAX ROLLS - TOWN OF RAMAPO  
CONGREGATION CHEVRA SHAS KEREN YESHUA  
PROPERTY ID# 56.8-2-55, 196 MAPLE AVENUE, MONSEY,  
NEW YORK 10952 (DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE)  
**(STEPHEN DEGROAT, COMMISSIONER BUDGET & FINANCE)**  
**DL#2015-03780**

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

**ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, CORNELL, EARL, HOOD, JR., JOBSON,**

9B) REF. #5614 - CORRECTION OF 2011 TAX ROLLS - TOWN OF RAMAPO  
CONGREGATION CHEVRA SHAS KEREN YESHUA  
PROPERTY ID# 56.8-2-55, 196 MAPLE AVENUE, MONSEY,  
NEW YORK 10952 (DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE)  
**(STEPHEN DEGROAT, COMMISSIONER BUDGET & FINANCE)**  
**DL#2015-03781**

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

**ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, CORNELL, EARL, HOOD, JR., JOBSON,**

**10. PUBLIC HEARINGS:** **NONE**

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

11A) REF. #6155 - URGING THE NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE AND GOVERNOR TO AMEND SECTION 214 OF NEW YORK STATE COUNTY LAW REGARDING THE PUBLISHING OF LAWS AND LEGAL NOTICES TO ALLOW FOR THE ELECTRONIC PUBLISHING OF LAWS AND LEGAL NOTICES ON OFFICIAL COUNTY WEBSITES  
**(HON. ILAN S. SCHOENBERGER, LEGISLATURE)**  
**LG#2015-92**

Leg. Schoenberger explained that presently NYS County Law requires that the Legislature must annually select two newspapers within the County as the official newspaper for publishing local laws, notices and other matters. In 2005 the fee for a single Local Law by the two official newspapers cost the County over \$16,000,00. This law was created at a time when the general public has no access to computers. The internet now facilitates the access of information by anyone with a computer or other electronic device and the County should be given the option to publish laws and legal notices on official County websites.

**MOTION TO APPROVE:  
SCHOENBERGER/MURPHY**

**UNAN**

**ADDED CO-SPONSORS: LEGS. GRANT, CORNELL, EARL, HOOD, JR., JOBSON,**

**12. PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS:**

12A) REF. #9505 - DISCUSSION ITEM: 2016 FUNDING OF CONTRACT AGENCIES  
**(HON. ALDEN H. WOLFE, CHAIR OF THE LEGISLATURE)**

Legislative Fiscal Analyst Doliner updated the committee on the status of the contract agencies as of August 25, 2015.

County Attorney Humbach stated they will follow the process as they have been doing. CA Humbach explained that Paul Brennan sends out a public notice the same as with all contracts. In some cases there may be other qualified bidders and the County would pick the best. Leg. Grant questioned whether it would be the lowest bidder or best value? CA Humbach stated that Paul Brennan would be the best person to speak to on this subject and he was not able to attend the meeting this evening.

Leg. Schoenberger questioned where the monies were allocated in the budget. Steve DeGroat said the monies were put into the departments. Leg. Schoenberger stated this was not a good practice; the County Executive can unilaterally award it or not. He also the right to move the money around; it should be a line budget item. Otherwise, this can lead to favoritism, etc. and he would not approve it.

DEC Rosa said their intention was to attempt to bring about a stabilizing factor; treat agencies as other contractors and have them justify their performance.

Leg. Schoenberger said he thought this was doing just the opposite. They would be withholding to the County Executive and cutting out the Legislature. This is the worst kind of politics and he would fight the Administration and will not go along with it.

Leg. Earl concurred with Leg. Schoenberger on this point. He spoke on how he was told last year in good faith from the County Executive that he was not going to cut contract agencies and he went ahead and cut them to \$0. What is the rationale for this; Why change something that is not broken? He saw what good faith got them last year.

Leg. Grant stated that the notion of stability is a good idea if you can get over the trust issue. Want to always be in compliance with the Procurement Policy. Most critical issue is the agencies get the money and get it on time.

Leg. Schoenberger said there was a tremendous human factor with the agencies; not just buying and selling. The RFP is the wrong way to go. Send them the same amount of money but let them know they are being audited.

CA Humbach said they are bound by law to do it this way; cannot change the procurement policy. Leg. Schoenberger disagreed saying he thinks it can be and should be changed - it gives way too much money to the County Executive and Purchasing.

**ACTION:  
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST TO PROVIDE SUMMARY OF CONTRACT AGENCIES  
DETAILING CATEGORIES BEING USED TO DETERMINE SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS**

12B) REF. #9500 - DISCUSSION ITEM: LOCAL LAW #10  
ROCKLAND COUNTY DEFICIT REDUCTION ACT  
(HON. MICHAEL M. GRANT, LEGISLATURE)

Leg. Grant stated the current law dictates the County Executive is obligated to allocate a sum of no less than \$4 million in the budget for the reduction of the deficit. Counsel is to review.

**13. MISCELLANEOUS: NONE**

**14. RECEIVE & FILE:**

14A) REF. #5050 - REPORTS AND MANAGEMENT LETTER OF KPMG LLP  
ROCKLAND COUNTY INFIRMARY/SUMMIT PARK HOSPITAL  
FISCAL YEARS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014 AND 2013  
(HON. MICHAEL M. GRANT, LEGISLATURE)

**COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY RECEIVED REPORT AND MANAGEMENT LETTER OF KPMG**

**15. CORRESPONDENCE/REVIEW AND DISCUSSION: NONE**

**ADDENDUM**

1. REF. #9361A - AMENDING 2015 ADOPTED CAPITAL BUDGET TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$325,000 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW MARINE UNIT BOAT AND TO INCREASE THE TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET FROM \$1,500,000 TO \$1,825,000 FOR CAPITAL PROJECT 1475 - VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT (DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES - FACILITIES MANAGEMENT) (\$1,825,000)  
**(ROBERT H. GRUFFI, DIRECTOR DGS - FACILITIES MANAGEMENT)**  
**DL#2015-03787**

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ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. SCHOENBERGER, GRANT, PAUL, MORONEY

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**JOBSON/MURPHY**

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

2. REF. #9361B - BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OR ROCKLAND, NEW YORK AUTHORIZING FINANCING FOR COSTS OF ACQUISITION OF VEHICLES, A NEW MARINE UNIT BOAT AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT (CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 1475) STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF SUCH PROJECT IS \$1,825,000 STATING THE PLAN OF FINANCING SAID COST INCLUDES THE ISSUANCE OF \$325,000 BONDS HEREIN AUTHORIZED; IN ADDITION TO THE \$1,500,000 BONDS PREVIOUSLY AUTHORIZED; PROVIDING FOR A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BONDS; AND AUTHORIZING \$296,317 EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND/OR THE STATE OF NEW YORK TO BE EXPENDED TOWARDS THE COST OF SAID OBJECTS OR PURPOSES OR REDEMPTION OF THE COUNTY'S OBLIGATIONS ISSUED THEREFOR, OR TO BE BUDGETED AS AN OFFSET TO THE TAXES FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SAID BOND  
**(ROBERT H. GRUFFI, DIRECTOR DGS - FACILITIES MANAGEMENT)**  
**DL#2015-03788**

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**SCHOENBERGER/HOOD, JR.**

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**EARL/HOOD, JR.**