

# The Legislature of Rockland County



**JAY HOOD, JR.**

*Legislator – District 3*

Chair, Public Safety Committee

**Members Present:**

Leg. J. Hood, Jr. Chair  
Leg. T. Earl, Vice Chair  
Leg. D. Jobson  
Leg. N. Low-Hogan  
Leg. A. Paul  
Leg. P. Soskin

**Members Absent:**

**Others Present:**

Leg. M. Grant  
E. Yeger  
L. Falco

Leg. R. Diaz  
L. Bolson  
M. Barbera

J. Rosenthal  
A. Volpe  
M. Lietzes

MINUTES  
***PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE***  
TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2015  
6:00 PM

ROLL CALL  
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADOPTION OF MINUTES, MEETING OF MAY 12, 2015

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

**UNAN**

1. REF. #9361 - AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE VILLAGE OF PIERMONT FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR PACKEYE 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 MAY 14, 2014 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$1,567.76 AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE  
[SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT] (\$1,567.76)  
**(LOUIS FALCO, SHERIFF)**  
**DL# 2015-01758**

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

**UNAN  
TRANSFER TO B&F 6/9/15**

**ADDED SPONSORS: LEGS. HOOD, EARL, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN, PAUL, SOSKIN**

2. REF. #9361 - AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE TOWN OF RAMAPO FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR PERSONAL RADIATION DETECTOR (PRD) AND PACKEYE 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 \$4,337.76 AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE  
[SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT] (\$4,337.76)  
**(LOUIS FALCO, SHERIFF)**  
**DL# 2015-01752**

Sheriff Falco said Packeye is a radiation detection program. This is done in cooperation with the City of New York. Sheriff's officers drive around with the radiation detectors, and data is fed back to the city who alerts the county if radiation levels ever get to high.

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** **UNAN**  
**EARL/PAUL** **TRANSFER TO B&F 6/9/15**

**ADDED SPONSORS:** **LEGS. HOOD, EARL, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN, PAUL, SOSKIN**

3. REF. #9361 - AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE TOWN OF STONY POINT FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR PERSONAL RADIATION DETECTOR (PRD) AND PACKEYE 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 14, 2014 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$2,640.96 AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE  
[SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT] (\$2,640.96)  
**(LOUIS FALCO, SHERIFF)**  
**DL# 2015-01764**

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** **UNAN**  
**LOW-HOGAN/PAUL** **TRANSFER TO B&F 6/9/15**

**ADDED SPONSORS:** **LEGS. HOOD, EARL, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN, PAUL, SOSKIN**

4. REF. #9361 - AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE VILLAGE OF SOUTH NYACK FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR PACKEYE 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 MAY 14, 2014 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$1,368.64 AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE  
[SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT] (\$1,368.64)  
**(LOUIS FALCO, SHERIFF)**  
**DL# 2015-01754**

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** **UNAN**  
**LOW-HOGAN/PAUL, SOSKIN** **TRANSFER TO B&F 6/9/15**

**ADDED SPONSORS:** **LEGS. HOOD, EARL, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN, PAUL, SOSKIN**

5. REF. #9361 - AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ROCKLAND AND THE VILLAGE OF SUFFERN FOR REIMBURSEMENT FOR PACKEYE 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 MAY 14, 2014 IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$1,428.32 AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE  
[SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT] (\$1,428.32)  
**(LOUIS FALCO, SHERIFF)**  
**DL# 2015-01762**

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** **UNAN**  
**JOBSON/SOSKIN** **TRANSFER TO B&F 6/9/15**

**ADDED SPONSORS:** **LEGS. HOOD, EARL, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN, PAUL, SOSKIN**

6. REF. #9361 - APPROVING ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS TOTALING \$11,343.44 (NCTD) FROM THE CITY OF NEW YORK TO REIMBURSE VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES FOR PACKEYE AND/OR PERSONAL RADIATION DETECTOR (PRD) TRAINING THEY COMPLETED UNDER THE SECURE THE CITIES PROGRAM [OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF] (\$11,343.44)  
**(LOUIS FALCO, SHERIFF)**  
**DL# 2015-01840**

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** **UNAN**  
**EARL/SOSKIN, PAUL** **TRANSFER TO B&F 6/9/15**

**ADDED SPONSORS:** **LEGS. HOOD, EARL, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN, PAUL, SOSKIN**

7. REF. #3147 - CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF LAWRENCE C. BOLSON, NEW CITY, NY TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD  
**(EDWIN J. DAY, COUNTY EXECUTIVE)**  
**DL# 2015-02274**

Larry Bolson said he appreciated his appointment to the board.

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

**ADDED SPONSORS:** **LEGS. HOOD, EARL, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN, PAUL, SOSKIN**

8. REF. #5506 - CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF STEPHEN BARRY NEW CITY, NY TO THE ROCKLAND COUNTY TRAFFIC SAFETY BOARD  
**(EDWIN J. DAY, COUNTY EXECUTIVE)**  
**DL# 2015-01940**

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

**ADDED SPONSORS:** **LEGS. HOOD, EARL, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN, PAUL, SOSKIN**

9. REF. #2973 - IN SUPPORT OF "STEPPING UP: A NATIONAL INITIATIVE TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES IN JAILS," BROUGHT BY THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES, THE COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS JUSTICE CENTER AND THE AMERICAN PSYCHIATRIC FOUNDATION, TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES IN THE ROCKLAND COUNTY JAIL  
**(HON. JOHN A. MURPHY, LEGISLATURE)**  
**LG# 2015-65**

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Legislator Murphy said a big crisis we have in Rockland is the number of people with mental health issues in jail. A lot of work was done on this over the years, but the District Attorney's office will be involved in implementing better practices on this issue.

Judy Rosenthal said that this resolution is intended to spur action in the county. Those offenders who are eligible can now be in a diversion program, where they get treatment instead of going to jail.

Sheriff Falco said a great number of people in the county jail suffer from mental illness, and we need a good program to address their needs.

Legislator Murphy said with the growing number of those with mental illness, it is important that the county have teams in place to address the issue of those with such illnesses going through the criminal justice system.

Michael Lietzes talked about the issue of drugs and its use by those with behavioral health issues.

**MOTION TO APPROVE:** **UNAN**  
**HOOD/JOBSON, EARL, PAUL, SOSKIN**  
**ADDED CO-SPONSORS:LEGS. HOOD, EARL, GRANT, JOBSON, LOW-HOGAN, PAUL, SOSKIN**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN: 6:30 PM** **UNAN**  
**LOW-HOGAN/JOBSON**

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