

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 11, 2010

The County Administration Committee of the Broome County Legislature met on Thursday, March 11, 2010 in the Legislative Conference Room, Sixth Floor, Edwin L. Crawford County Office Building, Binghamton, New York.

Members Present: G. LaBare, R. Keibel, D. Moran, M. Nirchi, M. Whalen

Members Absent: None

Others Present: P. Brennan, D. Fauci, County Exec's Office; M. Gerchman, Budget; J. Sluzar, Law; D. Schofield, SWM; D. Harder, Sheriff; C. Beardsley, Aviation; K. McKinney, K. Andrews, A. Garcia, IT; J. Dadamio, Security; A. Fagerstrom, M. Mauro, City of Binghamton; J. Hess, Greater Binghamton Chamber of Commerce; T. Hatton, Residence Inn by Marriott, C. Madden, Comfort Inn; D. Husch, Binghamton University; O. Rivera, Neighborhood Taxi; L. May, Best Taxi; R. Pornbeck, R. Murn, A1 Courtesy Cab; S. Abdulkarim, S.T. Taxi; N. Husellin, Express Taxi; Y. Saleh, Safe Taxi; D. Conklin, Royal Couch Limousine & Taxi Service; G. Grace, A1 Limo; R. Avdel, Allstar Taxi Co.; S. Barwari, Master Taxi Co.; T. Ming, ACE Taxi; B. Dreud, FLJ BAJ NAJ Taxi; D. Moran, S. Buchta, J. Marinich, S. Herz, S. Messina, E. Denk, C. Marion, C. Hall, Legislature

The Committee meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 4:02 P.M. Mr. Moran moved the agenda, seconded by Mr. Nirchi. The Committee took the following action with regard to the matters before it:

#1 RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW INTRODUCTORY NO. 3 OF 2010, ENTITLED: "LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 85 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LOCAL LAWS, AS AMENDED, REGARDING TAXICAB REGULATIONS."

Responding to a question from Mr. Keibel, Mr. Marion stated that the licensing period in the City of Binghamton expires June 30, 2010 and the County would like to take over at that time. Currently, there are three sets of municipal regulations and another set of regulations for the Greater Binghamton Airport. This local law would establish a single uniform regulation for the whole County, rather than four. Judy Hess stated that the business community and the Hotel Motel Association approached the Chamber of Commerce about having a standardized set of regulations throughout the County where the taxi industry would provide a clean, safe and reliable service. Angela Fagerstrom provided the committee with a memo from the City Clerk in support of the transfer of taxi licensing and regulations to Broome County (On file with the minutes). Mr. Denk stated that the Mayor of Johnson City expressed his support of the County regulating the taxi cab industry in Broome County and would ask the Village Board to adopt a resolution to rescind its current regulations and transfer the taxi cab regulations to the County. Mr. Pornbeck stated that the proposed law is intrusive and not business friendly and that the fees for drivers are too high and limousines should not be included.

Carried. Ayes-4, Nays-1 (Keibel)

#37 RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT ELECTRONICS RECYCLING AND EXTENDED PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY LEGISLATURE FOR ELECTRONIC WASTES AND URGING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS IN BROOME COUNTY TO DO THE SAME

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#39 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ASSIGNMENT OF AN AGREEMENT WITH JSJ ASSOCIATES TO SOUND MANAGEMENT LLC FOR THE LEASE OF OFFICE/WAREHOUSE SPACE FOR THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS FOR 2008-2013

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#44 RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW INTRODUCTORY NO 4 OF 2010, ENTITLED: "A LOCAL LAW CREATING CHAPTER 100 OF THE BROOME COUNTY CHARTER AND CODE PROVIDING THAT A SPECIAL HAULING PERMIT SHALL BE REQUIRED FOR USE OF COUNTY ROADS BY CERTAIN VEHICLES THAT EXCEED THE WEIGHT OR DIMENSIONAL LIMITS IN SECTION 385 OF THE VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK."

After receiving feedback from Towns and committee meetings throughout the week, Mr. Sluzar requested that the resolution be deferred to next month to give time to expore changes to the local law. It was the consensus of the committee to defer the resolution to next month.

#45 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE BINGHAMTON METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION STUDY (BMTS) GRANT AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2010-2011

Carried for lateness. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#46 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE RETAIL INSTALLMENT AGREEMENT WITH KEY GOVERNMENT FINANCE, INC., FOR EQUIPMENT AND HARDWARE AND AUTHORIZE A STATEMENT OF WORK AGREEMENT WITH CDW-G FOR TRAVEL EXPENSES RELATED TO THE INSTALLATION OF A NEW PHONE SYSTEM FOR THE DIVISION OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FOR 2009-2014

Carried for lateness Ayes-5, Nays-0. Responding to a question from Mr. Keibel, Ms. McKinney stated this item is budgeted for 2010. Resolution carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#47 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH THE DORMITORY AUTHORITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK (DASNY) FOR THE GREATER BINGHAMTON HEALTH CENTER SITE STUDY (PHASE II) FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Carried for lateness. Ayes-5, Nays-0

There being no further business to come before the Committee at this time, Mr. Whalen made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Keibel. The meeting adjourned at 5:00 P.M.