

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
JULY 15, 2010

The Finance Committee of the Broome County Legislature met on Thursday, July 15, 2010 in the Legislative Conference Room, Sixth Floor, Edwin L. Crawford County Office Building, Binghamton, New York.

Members Present: M. Whalen, S. Buchta for S. Herz, B. Klipsch, J. Merrill for G. LaBare, J. Marinich

Members Absent: None

Others Present: B. Chellis, Emergency Services; W. Gibson, DPW/Law; M. Gerchman, M. Kalka, Budget; P. Brennan, D. Fauci, B. Fiala, County Exec's Office; J. Sluzar, Law; F. Evangelisti, Planning; S. Pufky, RPTS; C. Beardsley, D. Hickling, Aviation; M. Klein, T. Behan, Personnel; R. Murphy, Risk & Insurance; C. Edwards, Health; J. Kamin, Youth Bureau; S. Reagan, WPNH; L. Wise, Library; S. Zimmerman, Inflection Energy; J. Marchione, Property Owner; L. Garber, FOX 40; D. Jensen, K. Miller, D. Pixton, K. Pixton, J. Ievins, D. Roe, Public; J. Quain, N. Kulick, A. Watts, Legislative Intern; M. Diffendorf, R. Materese, S. Messina, D. Moran, C. Marion, E. Denk, C. Hall, Legislature

The Committee meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 4:22 P.M. Mr. Marinich moved the agenda, seconded by Ms. Buchta. The Committee took the following action with regard to the matters before it:

#1 RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR BROOME COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR 2010-2011

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#5 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERSONNEL CHANGE REQUEST FOR THE BROOME COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#6 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2010 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FOR AIRPORT SNOW REMOVAL EQUIPMENT (SRE) BUILDING IMPROVEMENT PROJECT TO INCLUDE FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEM

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#7 RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW INTRODUCTORY NO. 8 OF 2010, ENTITLED: "A LOCAL LAW AMENDING CHAPTER 185 OF THE BROOME COUNTY CHARTER AND CODE TO ADD ARTICLE XVII-EXEMPTION FOR COLD WAR VETERANS"

Failed in prime committee. No action taken

#8 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF FUNDS FOR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#9 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF STAP WOMENS OUTREACH SERVICES PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2010-2011

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#10 RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CREDENTIALING AND REAPPOINTMENT OF MEDICAL STAFF AT THE BROOME COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#11 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE TO BIOTERRORISM PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2010-2011

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#12 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REVISION OF THE CANCER SERVICES PROGRAM OF BROOME, TIOGA AND CHENANGO COUNTIES GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ADOPTING A REVISED PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2010-2011

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#13 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REVISION OF THE CANCER SERVICES PROGRAM OF CHEMUNG AND SCHUYLER COUNTIES GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ADOPTING A REVISED PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2010-2011

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#15 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH C & S DESIGN BUILD, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT'S INTERMODAL TRANSIT TERMINAL PROJECT 2007-2010

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#16 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH TIOGA COUNTY FOR HOUSING OF BROOME COUNTY PRISONERS FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF FOR 2010-2011

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#17 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH WATCH SYSTEMS FOR A CENTRAL SEX OFFENDERS REGISTRY FOR THE OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF FOR 2010-2011

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#18 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AID TO PROSECUTION GRANT FOR THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2010-2011

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#19 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE BOOKS WITH SENATOR LIBOUS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH MORRISVILLE STATE COLLEGE PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE BROOME COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2010-2011

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#20 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CANCELLATION OF REAL PROPERTY TAXES ON PARCELS IN THE VARIOUS CITY, TOWNS AND VILLAGES AS SHOWN IN EXHIBIT A

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#21 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADJUSTMENT TO DELINQUENT TAXES IN THE TOWN OF NANTICOKE AND THE TOWN OF UNION

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#22 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH SCS ENGINEERS, PC FOR CONSTRUCTION REVIEW SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS-DIVISION OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FOR 2003-2009

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#23 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR A JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT JOINTLY WITH THE CITY OF BINGHAMTON

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#24 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A FEDERAL AVIATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION'S MAIN AIRCRAFT PARKING APRON REHABILITATION CAPITAL PROJECT AT THE GREATER BINGHAMTON AIRPORT

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#25 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MCFARLAND-JOHNSON, INC. FOR ENGINEERING DESIGN FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION FOR 2010-2011

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#26 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MCFARLAND-JOHNSON, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION OBSERVATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION FOR 2010-2011

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#27 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH MCFARLAND-JOHNSON, INC. FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF AVIATION FOR 2010

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#28 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BROOME COUNTY VETERANS DISPLAY CASE FUND

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#29 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LABOR AGREEMENT WITH THE AMALGAMATED TRANSIT UNION FOR 2010-2013

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#30 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF UNION FOR DEMOLITION AND SITE REMEDIATION OF A FORMER INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 46 CORLISS AVENUE IN THE VILLAGE OF JOHNSON CITY AND AUTHORIZING A TRANSFER OF FUNDS AND PAYMENT TO THE TOWN OF UNION FOR SAID ACTIVITY

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#31 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TRUST ACCOUNT FOR FUNDS DONATED TO THE BROOME COUNTY YOUTH BUREAU

This resolution was withdrawn in the prime committee. No action taken

#32 RESOLUTION APPROVING SALE OF COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY IN VARIOUS TOWNS AND VILLAGES IN BROOME COUNTY

It was the consensus of the committee to defer this resolution to a special Finance meeting on June 22, 2010.

#33 RESOLUTION APPROVING SALE OF 2010 IN REM FORECLOSURE PROPERTIES TO FORMER OWNERS

The committee was provided Exhibit "A" listing 18 parcels to be sold back to the former owners and a letter from Josephine Marchione requesting that tax ID 049.03-1-20, for which a hardship sell back request was denied by RPTS, be sold back to her for back taxes and fees. Mr. Klipsch made a motion seconded by Mr. Marinich to amend the resolution to include Exhibit "A" and to add tax ID 049.03-1-20 to the list of sell backs.

Amendment carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0.

Resolution as amended carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0.

#34 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SUSQUEHANNA VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE COLLECTION AND ENFORCEMENT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TAXES

Mr. Marinich made a motion, seconded by Ms. Buchta to amend the resolution to include a paragraph to read "Further Resolved, that in consideration of said agreement \$3,900 will be credited to budget line 1700001.5000803 (Property Tax Administration) and \$6,400 will be credited to budget line 1700001.5000185, and be it"

Amendment carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0.

Resolution as amended carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0.

#35 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE BINGHAMTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR BROOME COUNTY TO PROVIDE COLLECTION SERVICES FOR SCHOOL TAXES FOR A PORTION OF THE DISTRICT WHICH IS IN TOWN OF DICKINSON FOR THE 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR

Ms. Buchta made a motion, seconded by Mr. Klipsch to amend the resolution to include a paragraph to read "Further Resolved, that in consideration of said agreement \$600 will be credited to budget line 1700001.5000803 (Property Tax Administration) and \$364 will be credited to budget line 1700001.5000185, and be it"

Amendment carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0.

Resolution as amended carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0.

#36 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EASEMENT AGREEMENT WITH NYSEG IN CONNECTION WITH RELOCATING TRANSMISSION LINES IN THE VICINITY OF THE HIGHWAY GARAGE

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#37 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH UNITED HEALTH SERVICES HOSPITALS, INC. FOR DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING SERVICES FOR THE PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT FOR 2010 THROUGH 2012

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#38 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF CHENANGO FOR TREATMENT OF LEACHATE FROM THE NANTICOKE LANDFILL FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FOR 2010-2012

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#39 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LABOR AGREEMENT WITH THE BROOME COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR 2010-2014

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#40 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LABOR AGREEMENT WITH CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (CSEA) FOR 2010-2014

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#41 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERSONNEL CHANGE REQUEST FOR THE BROOME COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#42 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERSONNEL CHANGE REQUEST FOR THE BROOME COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#43 RESOLUTION AMENDING BOND RESOLUTION 05-742 DATED DECEMBER 28, 2005 HERETOFORE ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF BROOME, AS AMENDED BY BOND RESOLUTION 2010-37 DATED FEBRUARY 18, 2010, WITH RESPECT TO THE MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COST AND PLAN OF FINANCING THEREFORE

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#44 BOND RESOLUTION DATED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$2,000,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY OF BROOME, NEW YORK TO PAY THE COST OF VARIOUS CAPITAL PROJECTS

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#47 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING LEASE AGREEMENTS WITH INFLECTION ENERGY LLC FOR OIL AND NATURAL GAS RIGHTS ON COUNTY PROPERTY

Mr. Sluzar introduced Mr. Zimmerman, Executive Vice President of Inflection Energy, LLC. Mr. Sluzar stated that the administration set up a gas lease team and that this resolution is presented as an integrated proposal, which includes the essential terms of a lease agreement including a signing bonus, royalty payments, the environmental monitoring. They are asking the Legislature to consider the entire package along with the potential for economic development, and the potential for the energy corridor. A map was shown with private properties that have gas leases along with the county properties proposed for gas leases. He noted that the County is also subject to compulsory integration.

It is the hope that this will spark economic development in other areas other than gas drilling. At 4:58 PM Mr. Marinich made a motion, seconded by Mr. Merrill to recess until the conclusion of the BCC budget public hearing. Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

The Finance Committee reconvened at 5:20 PM.

Mr. Sluzar stated he has addressed many questions and concerns and that some of the recommendations have been incorporated in to the lease agreement.

The committee was provided with Exhibit "A" and amendments to the resolution as recommended by the County Attorney.

Mr. Marinich made a motion, seconded by Ms. Buchta to include Exhibit "A" and amend the first Resolved paragraph to read "... the final acreage of each parcel may or may not be adjusted following title searches before any payment herein,..." and amend the 6th Further Resolved paragraph to read "...by the Commissioner of Public Works pursuant to department guidelines,; any natural gas pipelines will be constructed of steel and according to the best practices of the industry;the \$1.00 per foot and \$2,000.00 per acre limits shall be subject to a Consumer

Price Index adjustment after five years and every three years thereafter,..."

Amendment carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

Resolution as amended carried. Ayes-4, Nays-1 (Marinich)

#48 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE OPERATION IMPACT VII PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2010-2011

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

There being no further business to come before the Committee at this time, Mr. Marinich made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Buchta. The meeting adjourned at 5:41 PM.