

**BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD IN ROOM #318  
PUTNAM COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING  
CARMEL, NEW YORK 10512**

Wednesday

October 19, 2022

6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 P.M. by Chairman Sullivan who led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, Legislators Gouldman, Addonizio, Nacerino, Albano, Jonke, Castellano, Sayegh and Chairman Sullivan were present. Also present was Legislative Counsel Firriolo. Legislator Montgomery arrived at 6:12 P.M. and Legislator Albano left at 6:12 P.M.

Chairman Sullivan stated that they would now review the proposed changes submitted by each Committee.

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & ENERGY COMMITTEE  
(Chairman Gouldman, Legislators Jonke & Montgomery)**

Item #1 – Tourism – I Love NY Program County Matching Funds– Increase from \$60,000 to \$120,000. Chairman Sullivan recognized Legislator Gouldman, Chairman of the Economic Development & Energy Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Jonke and Montgomery, Legislator Gouldman moved the following:

Legislator Sayegh stated that this is just an Administrative change to account for the matching funds.

Tourism

	FROM:	TO:
I Love NY Program County Matching Funds 10641000 54328	60,000	120,000

A DIFFERENCE OF: 60,000

Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.

BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIED.

**PHYSICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE  
(Chairman Albano, Legislators Castellano & Gouldman)**

**Item #2 – Transportation Part Bus System - Central Services Chargebacks – Properly Reflect Chargeback Revenue. Chairman Sullivan recognized Legislator Albano, Chairman of the Physical Services Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Castellano and Gouldman, Legislator Albano moved the following:**

**Transportation – Part Bus System**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Central Services Chargebacks 95630000 412941</b>	<b>126,920</b>	<b>114,228</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: (12,692)**

**Central Services Admin**

<b>Central Services Chargebacks 10161000 412941</b>	<b>668,834</b>	<b>681,526</b>
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**A DIFFERENCE OF: 12,692**

**TOTAL DIFFERENCE OF: 0**

**Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIED.**

**PERSONNEL COMMITTEE  
(Chairman Jonke, Legislators Addonizio & Nacerino)**

**Item #3 – Legislature – Clerk – Increase. Chairman Sullivan recognized Legislator Jonke, Chairman of the Personnel Committee. On behalf of the members of the Committee, Legislators Addonizio and Nacerino, Legislator Jonke moved the following:**

**Legislature**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Clerk 10101001 51000 (10110)</b>	<b>108,462</b>	<b>113,637</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 5,175**

**Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Item #4 – Legislature – Administrative Assistant – Increase. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Addonizio and Nacerino, Legislator Jonke moved the following:**

**Legislature**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Administrative Assistant 10101001 51000 (10113)</b>	<b>49,486</b>	<b>50,486</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 1,000**

**Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Item #5 – County Executive – Increase 3.5% for Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA). On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Addonizio and Nacerino, Legislator Jonke moved the following:**

**County Executive**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>County Executive 10123000 51000 (10101) (3.5% COLA Increase)</b>	<b>170,070</b>	<b>176,022</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 5,952**

**Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Item #6 – County Executive – Deputy County Executive - Increase 3.5% for Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA). On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Addonizio and Nacerino, Legislator Jonke moved the following:**

**County Executive**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Deputy County Executive</b> <b>10123000 51000 (10102)</b> (3.5% COLA Increase)	<b>125,000</b>	<b>129,375</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 4,375**

**Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Item #7 – County Executive – Chief of Staff (CEO) - Increase 3.5% for Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA). On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Addonizio and Nacerino, Legislator Jonke moved the following:**

**County Executive**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Chief of Staff (CEO)</b> <b>10123000 51000 (10103)</b> (3.5% COLA Increase)	<b>83,195</b>	<b>86,107</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 2,912**

**Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Item #8 – County Executive – Director of Constituent Services - Increase 3.5% for Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA). On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Addonizio and Nacerino, Legislator Jonke moved the following:**

**County Executive**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Director of Constituent Services</b> <b>10123000 51000 (10104)</b> (3.5% COLA Increase)	<b>45,066</b>	<b>46,643</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 1,577**

Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.

BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIED.

Item #9 – County Executive – Confidential Secretary - Increase 3.5% for Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA). On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Addonizio and Nacerino, Legislator Jonke moved the following:

County Executive

	FROM:	TO:
Confidential Secretary 10123000 51000 (10106) (3.5% COLA Increase)	60,000	62,100

A DIFFERENCE OF: 2,100

Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.

BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIED.

Item #10 – Highway – Engineering – Project Manager Reclass to Chief Project Manager – Move to Subcontingency. On behalf of the members of the Personnel Committee, Legislators Addonizio and Nacerino, Legislator Jonke moved the following:

Highway - Engineering

	FROM:	TO:
Reclass to Chief Project Manager 10144000 51000 (10902)	38,309	0

A DIFFERENCE OF: (38,309)

Move to Subcontingency 10199000 54982	0	38,309
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A DIFFERENCE OF: 0

Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.

**BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIED.**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Item #11 - Sheriff – Contracts – NYS Park and Rec – Properly Reflect County Portion of State Aid of Marine Patrol Grant. Chairman Sullivan moved the following; seconded by Legislator Jonke.**

**Sheriff**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b>Contracts</b>		
<b>17003000 54646</b>	<b>22,575</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>A DIFFERENCE OF: (22,575)</b>		
<b>NYS Park and Rec</b>		
<b>17003000 433891</b>	<b>22,575</b>	<b>25,000</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 2,425**

**Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR MONTGOMERY WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION CARRIED.**

**At 6:12 P.M., Legislator Montgomery arrived at the meeting and Legislator Albano left.**

**Chairman Sullivan made a motion to accept this item #12; seconded by Legislator Montgomery.**

**Item #12 – Proposal by Legislator Montgomery – Funding for Philipstown Behavioral Health Hub \$25,000.**

**Legislator Montgomery stated that the Philipstown Behavioral Health Hub had previously come before the Legislature and presented their program. She stated that she also provided statistics and data with this request. She stated that this program is meeting a need on the westside of the County. She believed this mental health first aid program could go a long way in serving all of Putnam County. She stated that the Behavioral Health Hub have already been in the schools implementing this program and they would like to expand it and tweak it to meet the needs of different populations from seniors, young adults and children, to training police departments. She stated that she did not bring this particular program to the County Executive, however, various programs have**

been brought to the County Executive throughout the years and none were ever acknowledged. She stated that when the Behavioral Health Hub went before the County Executive for ARPA funding, the County Executive made a comment that she never heard of the HUB. She stated that she often needs to strategize how she makes proposals to the Legislature, and nothing has worked. She stated that she is now presenting a proposal to help increase resources for mental health in the County.

Legislator Jonke stated that there was a motion and a second on this item. He questioned if there was a vote to put this on for other business.

Legislative Counsel Firriolo stated that it did not need to be moved on for other business because it was pre-filed as a resolution. He understood that the motion and the second was on the resolution itself and now it proceeds to a vote after discussion.

Chairman Sullivan stated that he thought it was a motion to put it on as other business.

Legislative Counsel Firriolo stated that anything that came from a Committee does not need to be moved forward and anything that was on the agenda, but not from a Committee would need a second for the resolution but not to get on the agenda. It is automatically on the agenda because the topic is budget, and it is a budget item and did not need to be accepted as other business. However, if that was the intent of your motion, then a motion and a second on the resolution still needs to be made before it can be voted on. He stated that you cannot be held to a motion that you did not intend to make.

Chairman Sullivan questioned if Legislator Montgomery wanted to make the motion for the item to be considered.

Legislator Montgomery made a motion to adopt the change to the budget for this item; seconded by Legislator Gouldman.

Philipstown Behavioral Health Hub

	FROM:	TO:
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Adjust fringes & revenue accordingly.

**BY ROLL CALL VOTE: TWO AYES – LEGISLATORS GOULDMAN & MONTGOMERY. FIVE NAYS – LEGISLATORS CASTELLANO, JONKE, NACERINO, SAYEGH & CHAIRMAN SULLIVAN. ONE ABSTENTION – LEGISLATOR ADDONIZIO. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE. MOTION FAILS.**

**Item #13 – Sheriff – Buckle Up 2012-2013 Grant.**

**Chief Deputy Commissioner of Finance, Michael Lewis explained that he received a letter last night about the Police Traffic Services Program and Buckle Up program. He stated that this is to adjust those lines for the 2023 allocation.**

**Legislator Jonke made a motion to move the following; seconded by Chairman Sullivan.**

**Sheriff**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b><u>Buckle Up 2012-2013</u></b>		
<b>Overtime</b>		
<b>17311002 51093 10024</b>	<b>8,500</b>	<b>3,480</b>
<b>State Retirement</b>		
<b>17311002 58001 10024</b>	<b>1,934</b>	<b>792</b>
<b>Social Security</b>		
<b>17311002 58002 10024</b>	<b>650</b>	<b>266</b>
<b>Workers Comp</b>		
<b>17311002 58004 10024</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>70</b>
<b>Buckle Up Grant</b>		
<b>17311002 443899 10024</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,480</b>

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 3,143**

**Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Item #14 – Sheriff – Police Traffic Services Program. Chairman Sullivan made a motion to move the following; seconded by Legislator Jonke.**

**Sheriff**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
<b><u>PTS – Police Traffic Services Program</u></b>		
<b>Overtime</b>		
<b>17311002 51093 10021</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>11,484</b>



<b>State Retirement</b>		
17311002 58001 10021	0	2,612
<b>Social Security</b>		
17311002 58002 10021	0	879
<b>Workers Comp</b>		
17311002 58004 10021	0	230
<b>Police Traffic Grant</b>		
17311002 443893 10021	8,500	11,484

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 12,221**

**Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Item #15 – District Attorney – Vacant Assistant District Attorney Line. Chairman Sullivan made a motion to discuss the following; seconded by Legislator Jonke.**

**Chief Deputy Commissioner of Finance, Michael Lewis stated that during the Personnel Budget Committee meeting it was mentioned there was \$75,000 for a vacant Assistant District Attorney position in the budget. He stated that District Attorney Tandy told him that they have a candidate and that they wanted to offer the candidate \$80,000. He stated that there is a salary subcontingency for \$10,000. He stated that they would like to use \$5,000 of the \$10,000 to bring the position up to \$80,000 and place the remaining \$5,000 back into the general fund.**

**Legislator Jonke questioned if the remaining \$5,000 should be left in subcontingency at the discretion of the District Attorney to use for other employees.**

**Legislator Nacerino wanted clarification that the District Attorney recently requested the vacant position to increase from \$70,000 to \$75,000 because he could not attract a candidate. She questioned if we recently hired an ADA at \$75,000 and now we are bumping it up to \$80,000.**

**Chairman Sullivan believed it was.**

**Legislator Jonke questioned if that was the position we discussed.**

Chief Deputy Commissioner of Finance Lewis believed it was.

Legislator Jonke questioned if the \$5,000 should be left in the District Attorney's line.

Legislator Nacerino disagreed.

Chairman Sullivan made a motion to approve the following; seconded by Jonke.

**District Attorney**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
Assistant District Attorney 10116500 51000 (10126)	75,000	80,000
Sub contingency 10199000 54982	10,000	0

**A DIFFERENCE OF: (5,000)**

Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.

**BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.**

Item #16 – Probation – Stop DWI Fines – Increase in Stop DWI Fines. Chairman Sullivan made a motion to accept this item; seconded by Legislator Jonke.

Chief Deputy Commissioner of Finance Lewis explained that this is a correction to increase the revenue to match the grant appropriation.

Legislator Nacerino wanted clarification on Item #15 regarding the ADA position. She questioned if it was the same candidate that was hired for \$75,000 and is now receiving the 3.5% plus \$5,000 increase.

Personnel Director Paul Eldridge stated that the person is starting in November of this year.

Legislator Nacerino believed it was a different candidate.

**Probation**

	<b>FROM:</b>	<b>TO:</b>
Stop DWI Fines 10331500 426151	75,325	75,806

**A DIFFERENCE OF: 481**

**Adjust fringes and revenue accordingly.**

**BY POLL VOTE: EIGHT AYES. LEGISLATOR ALBANO WAS ABSENT. MOTION CARRIED.**

**There being no further business, at 6:28 P.M., Chairman Sullivan made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Legislator Jonke. All in favor.**

**Respectfully submitted by Diane Schonfeld, Clerk.**