

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON DECEMBER 15, 2011
RELATIVE TO A LOCAL LAW AMENDING LOCAL LAW NUMBER 3
OF 2008 THE OSWEGO COUNTY RECYCLING
AND SOID WASTE LOCAL LAW**

The public hearing was called to order by Chairman Leemann at 2:02 p.m. There were no speakers wishing to be heard. The public hearing was concluded at 2:04 p.m.

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON DECEMBER 15, 2011
RELATIVE TO A PROPOSED TAX AGREEMENT UNDER
REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW §485 CONCERNING CERTAIN
NUCLEAR POWERED ELECTRIC GENERATING FACILITIES
KNOWN AS NINE MILE POINT UNITS 1 & 2**

The public hearing was called to order by Chairman Leemann at 2:04 p.m. There were no speakers wishing to be heard. The public hearing was concluded at 2:05 p.m.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE OSWEGO COUNTY
LEGISLATURE HELD DECEMBER 15, 2011.**

Chairman Leemann called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. Roll call was taken with all legislators present, except for Leg. Fruce who was excused. The invocation was given by the Clerk of the Legislature, Wendy Falls, followed by the salute to the flag. Chairman Leemann announced that this legislature meeting will be recessed after dealing with a number of resolutions and then reconvening after the 7:00 PM Public Hearing on the Budget to address the remaining resolutions dealing with the 2012 Budget.

PRESENTATIONS OF PETITIONS, COMMUNICATION AND NOTICES: None.

RECOGNITIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

Chairman Leemann called the Health and Human Services Committee forward and invited Social Services Commissioner Gregg Heffner and Support Examiner Hope Lenhart to join them. Leg. Proud presented a certificate to Ms. Lenhart for her 25 years of service to the County and commented that Ms. Lenhart was a graduate of Mexico High School, a former student and athlete, and a long time contributor to the Mexico Community. Commissioner Heffner congratulated Ms. Lenhart commenting that her supervisor John indicated that Hope is a faithful employee who cares about helping our customers no matter what position she has held in the agency. She started as a typist, then as a community services worker and then as a support examiner. She has split her time working at the office as well as family court. She prides herself on providing excellent customer service.

Chairman Leemann called the Public Safety and Emergency Services Committee forward and invites E-911 Director Michael Allen, Caseworker Denise Stepien, Caseworker Christine Manchester, and Senior Caseworker Leanne LaRock to join them. Director Allen commented that this was a selfless act of county employees, stating that the adult services division at DSS pooled their Christmas money and made a donation to Project Lifesaver Program to the committee members. Project Lifesaver is a location technology system. There are approximately one dozen people currently in the system. The system has been in service for a little over a year. It has been used twice with 100% success rate.

MINUTES: Minutes of the November 10, 2011 were approved as corrected. Hearing no objections and/or further corrections to the minutes of the November 16 and 29, 2011 meetings, the minutes were approved.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS ON RESOLUTIONS OF THE DAY: None

REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS: None.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES: None.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES: None.

RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS:

Leg. Beardsley motion to take a 5 minute recess, Leg. Kunzwiler seconded. Recessed at 2:17 p.m.
Returned to session at 2:45 p.m.

Leg. Potter offered Resolution No. 204, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE OSWEGO COUNTY LEGISLATURE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH NEW YORK STATE FOR THE 2012 STOP-DWI PROGRAM

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Potter offered Resolution No. 205, entitled, RESOLUTION FIXING THE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE 2012 ORGANIZATION MEETING AND ALL OTHER REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE OSWEGO COUNTY LEGISLATURE FOR THE YEAR 2012

Leg. Potter motioned to amend this resolution to change the date to Tuesday, January 3, 2012 at 1:00 p.m., Leg. Flett seconded.

Motion passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Amended resolution passed, with a voice vote.
(Leg. LeClair in opposition)
YES: 23 NO: 1 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Lockwood offered Resolution No. 206, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION SHERIFF'S OFFICE SCAAP (STATE CRIMINAL ALIEN ASSISTANCE PROGRAM)

Leg. Lockwood moved to amend the resolution to pay Justice Benefits, Inc., Leg. Flett Seconded. County Administrator Church commented that adding into this resolution is the acceptance of a \$96,000 grant.

Motion passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Amended resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Lockwood offered Resolution No. 207, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE FROM CAPITAL RESERVE NO. 146 – HIGHWAY & AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT.

Leg. Kunzwiler moved to amend the resolution to reduce the resolution to 9 vehicles as opposed to 12 vehicles.

Motion failed, with a roll call vote.
(Leg. Kastler, Potter, Mulcahey, Tresidder, Kunzwiler and Malone in favor)
YES: 6 NO: 18 ABSENT: 1

Resolution passed, with a roll call vote.
(Leg. Tresidder, Kunzwiler and Malone in opposition)
YES: 21 NO: 3 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Oldenburg offered Resolution No. 208, entitled, RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 97 – PSC DOMESTIC WATER BOOST PUMP STATION AND BYPASS

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Oldenburg offered Resolution No. 209, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXTENSION OF SNOW AND ICE CONTRACT HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Oldenburg offered Resolution No. 210, entitled, RESOLUTION TO TRANSFER FUNDS FROM ACCOUNT 1325.4268.0 (INSURANCE RECOVERY FUND) INTO ACCOUNT 5110.5454 (HIGHWAY SUPPLIES AND EXPENSES)

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Oldenburg offered Resolution No. 211, entitled, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE A MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH DIG SAFELY NEW YORK, INC.

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Oldenburg offered Resolution No. 212, entitled, RESOLUTION AWARDDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR SAFETY CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Oldenburg offered Resolution No. 213, entitled, RESOLUTION AWARDDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING – BRISTOL HILL QUARTERLY MONITORING SERVICES FOR THE SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Oldenburg offered Resolution No. 214, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF AN APPLICATION FOR A STATE GRANT-IN-AID FOR A MUNICIPAL WASTE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING PROJECT AND SIGNING OF THE ASSOCIATED STATE CONTRACT, UNDER THE APPROPRIATE LAWS OF NEW YORK STATE

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Oldenburg offered Resolution No. 215, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION DEPARTMENT OF SOLID WASTE

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Oldenburg offered Resolution No. 216, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION CAPITAL PROJECTS DEPARTMENT OF SOLID WASTE

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Oldenburg offered Resolution No. 217, entitled, RESOLUTION DETERMINING THAT THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE OSWEGO COUNTY SOLID WASTE LOCAL LAW CONSTITUTES AN UNLISTED ACTION UNDER SEQRA AND ISSUING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION THEREUNDER

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Oldenburg offered Resolution No. 218 entitled, RESOLUTION ADOPTING COUNTY OF OSWEGO LOCAL LAW NUMBER 2 OF 2011 ENTITLED "A LOCAL LAW AMENDING LOCAL LAW NUMBER 3 OF 2008 THE 'OSWEGO COUNTY RECYCLING AND SOLID WASTE LOCAL LAW'. Leg. Malone back in 2008 we were concerned about flow control, explain it to me. Leg. Kunzwiler asked if this law will put us in compliance. County Attorney Richard Mitchell stated that flow control is still applicable; the new law will address the concern of the federal court. Flow control exists in the county except for one individual. Flow control is in place.

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Beardsley offered Resolution No. 219, entitled, RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 122 OF THE AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS LAW AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO IMPOSE A DOG QUARANTINE IN THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Beardsley offered Resolution No. 220, entitled, RESOLUTION ALLOCATING HOTEL OR MOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX REVENUES AND PROVIDING DISTRIBUTION OF OCCUPANCY TAX REVENUES FOR 2012

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Beardsley offered Resolution No. 221, entitled, RESOLUTION CALLING ON CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO ENSURE THE FUTURE OF ECONOMICALLY VITAL CORMORANT MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES ON LAKE ONTARIO, ONEIDA LAKE AND IN THE CENTRAL NEW YORK REGION. Leg. Brown commented that the committee for fish and wild life would support this resolution, the birds kill off all the vegetation on the island and clean fish out in one day.

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 222, entitled, A RESOLUTION FIXING TIME AND PLACE FOR PUBLIC HEARING RELATIVE TO PROPOSED COUNTY OF OSWEGO LOCAL LAW NUMBER 1, OF 2012, ENTITLED "A LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING A PERMIT REQUIREMENT FOR DEMONSTRATIONS AT FUNERAL EVENTS WITHIN THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO"

Leg. Proud moved to amend the resolution to read that the public hearing be held on January 3, 2012 at 1p.m., seconded by Leg. Brown.

Motion passed, with a voice vote.
(Leg. Fruce absent and Leg. Kunzwiler stepped away)
YES: 23 NO: 0 ABSENT: 2

Amended resolution passed, with a voice vote.
(Leg. Fruce absent and Leg. Kunzwiler stepped away)
YES: 23 NO: 0 ABSENT: 2

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 223, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT DSS ADMINISTRATION/FURNITURE & FURNISHINGS

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
(Leg. Malone in opposition)
YES: 23 NO: 1 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 224, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT COURT ORDERED SERVICES

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 225, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT FAMILY ASSISTANCE

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 226, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT/MENTAL HYGIENE DIVISION FEDERAL MENTAL HEALTH FUNDING

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 227, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT DSS ADMINISTRATION/EQUIPMENT

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
(Leg. Flett in opposition)
YES: 23 NO: 1 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 228, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT SAFETY NET

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 229, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT DSS ADMINISTRATION/OTHER SUPPLIES AND EXPENSES

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 230, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPOINTMENT OF OSWEGO COUNTY HIPAA PRIVACY OFFICER. Ms. Inga Back is appointed.

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 231, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION HEALTH DEPARTMENT – ACCEPT AMERICAN RECOVERY AND INVESTMENT (ARRA) GRANT FUNDS FOR IMMUNIZATION BILLING

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 232, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH HARBOR PHARMACY PRODUCTS AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Wilbur offered Resolution No. 233, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 556 OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW, SUBDIVISIONS 8 & 9 RELATIVE TO THE REFUNDS OF FUNDS DUE TO TAX CORRECTIONS

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Ospelt offered Resolution No. 234, entitled, RESOLUTION INCREASING EXISTING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS FUNDS IN SEVERAL OFFICES AND DEPARTMENTS

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Ospelt offered Resolution No. 235, entitled, RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN THE 2012 BUDGET IN REGARD TO FULL FUNDED GRANT PROJECTS

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Ospelt offered Resolution No. 236, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION PLANNING DEPARTMENT – FULTON COUNTY BUS PURCHASE

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Ospelt offered Resolution No. 237, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION E-911 – PROJECT LIFESAVER

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Potter offered Resolution No. 238, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH COUNTY OF ONONDAGA REGARDING AIR ONE FUNDING GRANT

Leg. Potter motioned to amend the resolution to change wording to include mutual aid services. Leg. Brown seconded.

Motion passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Amended resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 239, entitled, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE LEGISLATURE TO EXECUTE A PROPOSED TAX AGREEMENT REGARDING NINE MILE POINT UNIT 1 AND UNIT 2 ON CERTAIN TERMS PURSUANT TO RPTL§485 WITH NINE MILE POINT NUCLEAR STATION, LLC

Leg. Tresidder motion to amend the resolution by substituting the draft agreement with the executed agreement. Leg. Karasek seconded.

Motion passed, with a voice vote.
(Leg. Kunzwiler and Oldenburg abstained)
YES: 22 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 2

Leg. Kunzwiler thanked and commended the team for the agreement and the product that they put together and also thanked the Chairman also.

Amended resolution passed, with a voice vote.
(Leg. Kunzwiler and Oldenburg abstained)
YES: 22 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 2

Leg. Ospelt offered Resolution No. 240, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PUBLIC SAFETY GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE NINE MILE POINT NUCLEAR STATION, LLC. County Administrator Church commented that this is a \$500,000 grant each year for 2012, 2013 and 2014 restricted to public safety programs.

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
(Leg. Kunzwiler and Oldenburg abstained)
YES: 22 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1 ABSTAIN: 2

Leg. Kunzwiler motioned to waive the rules to add two additional resolutions. Leg. Beardsley seconded.

Motion passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Wilbur offered Resolution No. 241, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF DEEDS FOR PROPERTY SOLD BY THE OSWEGO COUNTY LEGISLATURE, TITLES TO WHICH WERE ACQUIRED BY THE TAX FORECLOSURES OF 2005, 2008 AND 2009

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Ospelt offered Resolution No. 242, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE SETTLEMENT DOCUMENTS WITH ACTAVIS GROUP ON CERTAIN TERMS RELATIVE TO THE MATTER OF COUNT OF OSWEGO V. ABBOT LABS, ET AL

Leg. Ospelt motioned to amend the resolution to correct the language accepting payment in the amount of \$100,000 as approved through committee. Leg. Kunzwiler seconded.

Motion passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 22 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Amended resolution passed, with a voice vote.

YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

UNFINISHED BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS/MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: Clerk of the Legislature, Wendy Falls reminded all legislators that applications for inclusions in the County wide agricultural district will be accepted in the Clerk of the Legislature's Office from January 2 through January 31, 2012. Applications can be acquired from Cooperative Extension.

Chairman Leemann called Leg. Brown forward to recognize her for her 20 years, 1992 – 2011 in District 8. She has seen a lot of things transpire during those years. She has served on many committees. Very involved with NYSAC, has done an excellent job advocating for farmers. I have enjoyed your friendship, and wish you the best of health and happiness. On behalf of the legislature and all of the people of Oswego County thank you for all you have done in your 20 years for making our community a little stronger and families a little safer and our hopes for a better tomorrow a little more reachable. Leg. Brown commented that it has been fun and she will miss everyone. Thank you for all the wishes this past year for all of my troubles.

Leg. Proud recognized Chairman Leemann for his 10 years of service as a District 4 Legislator. Barry has served on many committees, we have attended many meetings together, I have a great deal of respect for him, I have enjoyed our friendship, your sense of decency, and your heartfelt commitment to the people of Oswego County. I wish you all the best of health and happiness and thank you for all you have done to make our community a little greener, a little stronger and our hope for tomorrow a little more reachable.

Holly Carpenter from Senator Ritchie's Office presented Chairman Leemann, Legislator Brown and Ted Jerrett with floor resolutions from the New York State Senate.

Chairman Leemann thanked the legislature, stating that he learned a lot. He is going to do other things, fun things. He asked that we please keep green team going, through grants and green initiative we have saved \$7 ½ million dollars replacing stuff. He thanked County Administrator Phil Church and County Attorney Rich Mitchell for their support.

Clerk of the Legislature invited everyone to a reception in honor of Legislator Brown and Chairman Leemann.

Leg. Mulcahey commented on what a pleasure it has been working with Barry.

At 3:30 p.m. Leg. Ospelt moved to recess the meeting until 7:00 p.m. It was seconded by Leg. Brown. All were in favor. Meeting was recessed.

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON DECEMBER 15, 2011
RELATIVE TO TENTATIVE COUNTY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012**

The public hearing was called to order by Chairman Leemann at 7:00 p.m.

Bev Ripka, President of the Oswego County Library Council thanked the legislature for their support, without it they do not know what they would do. They appreciate the support.

The public hearing was concluded at 7:03 p.m.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE OSWEGO COUNTY
LEGISLATURE HELD DECEMBER 15, 2011.
(RECESSED FROM 2:00 p.m.)**

The December meeting of the Legislature was reconvened at 7:03 p.m. All legislators were present, with

the exception of Leg. Fruce, who was excused.

Chairman Leemann commented that he and County Attorney Rich Mitchell just returned from a meeting at the school district board meeting. Where they signed and approved the tax agreement. It is executed and signed by all parties.

RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS:

Leg. Ospelt offered Resolution No. 243, entitled, RESOLUTION ADOPTING COUNTY BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2012

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 20 NO: 4 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Ospelt offered Resolution No. 244, entitled, RESOLUTION MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR THE CONDUCT OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2012

Leg. Chalifoux motioned to amend the budget to increase revenue line 1325.4108.1 by \$10 million due to the acceptance of the Constellation tax agreement, and make the correspondent downward adjustment to the property tax levy. Seconded by Leg. Ospelt.

Motion passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Ospelt motioned to amend the budget to create the following revenue lines and fund them at the following levels due to acceptance of the public safety grant, and make the corresponding \$500,000 downward adjustment to the property tax levy. 1165.4270.6 Public Safety Grant \$161,453 for the District Attorney Drug Task Force; 3110.4270.6 Public Safety Grant \$169,274 for the Sheriff's Department; 3642.4270.6 Public Safety grant \$169,273 for E-911. Leg. Hayes seconded. Leg. Mulcahey asked where we were with the drug task force. County Administrator Church commented that the District Attorney hired three veteran undercover officers who operate out of the public safety center and who are working with law enforcement and share information.

Motion passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Karasek motion to amend the budget to delete \$60,000 from 1621.5438 in buildings and grounds department due to the takeover of code enforcement, and make the corresponding downward adjustment to the property tax levy. Leg. Ospelt seconded.

Motion passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Mulcahey motioned to amend the budget to add \$6,000 to 3150.5110.1 and create 3150.5830.1 and fund at \$459 for Social Security. Leg. Malone seconded.

Motion passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Kunzwiler motioned to amend the budget which results in \$2,653 decrease in the tax levy while providing for an additional ADA to focus on welfare fraud prosecutions. 1165.5110 decrease position number 12875006, Asst. DA to \$70,490; decrease position number 11650908, Sp Asst. DA to \$0; create position number 11650901, Asst. DA at \$31,761; increase 1165.5830 social security to \$55,200; in 1166.5110 decrease position number 12875004 Stop-DWI Coordinator to \$40,184; decrease position

number 11650906 Asst. DA to \$31,761; decrease position number 11650902, Asst. DA to \$31,761; decrease 1166.5830 social security to \$12,900; decrease 1166.4151.7 Stop-DWI Program to \$3000,150; decrease 1167.5110 position number 11670901 Asst. DA, to \$31,761; decrease 1167.5830 social security to \$2,600; in 1185.5110 decrease 3 position numbers 11850905, 11850906, and 11850907, Dep. Coroner(s) to \$5,495; decreased position number 11850909, Sr Dep Coroner to \$10,990; decrease 1185.5830 social security to \$2,200. Leg. Flett seconded.

Leg. Kunzwiler asked how much money have we saved on the crackdown? County Administrator Church stated approximately \$46,000. Leg. Mulcahey commended the District Attorney Elect and Commissioner Heffner for making this move.

Motion passed, with a voice vote.
YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

County Administrator Church stated that with the changes just made the tax levy should be down to \$42 million and a generic tax rate of \$6.95 which is \$.04 lower than 2011.

Leg. Malone motioned to eliminate all health care insurance and mileage for all legislators. Leg. Kunzwiler seconded.

Leg. Mulcahey commended that Oneida County legislators just downsized their legislature and if legislators want health insurance they pay for it out of pocket.

Motion failed, with a roll call vote.
(Leg. Mulcahey, Tresidder, Kunzwiler and Malone in favor)
YES: 4 NO: 20 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Tresidder motion to reduce travel from \$14,000 to \$7,000, seconded by Leg. Kunzwiler.

Leg. Brown commented that legislators should not be restricted with their travel. She has brought more money home for this County by attending the NYSAC meetings, more than her pay. She encourages people to go and learn from NYSAC. Leg. Doyle commented that he couldn't agree with Leg. Brown enough.

Leg. Kunzwiler \$6,000 spent this year? County Administrator Church stated \$6,211 so far. I don't see the economy turning around. They may be small cuts but we have to start somewhere. Starting with the legislature ourselves shows going forward we are going to have to make decisions. There are ways to do it. Leg. Tresidder asked if legislators have been denied attendance to NYSAC due to the budget. Chairman Leemann said yes. Leg. Proud the travel budget looking back at last years figures it really doesn't reflect the amount for the people who actually travel. I don't think the majority of legislators went to NYSAC. We would be taking away the opportunity for everybody to go to NYSAC, these are the places to connect, legislators should be attending. Don't hamstring by making a token cut. Leg. Kunzwiler I don't think any cut is ever token. This would send a message that we are willing to sacrifice on our behalf, we make choices through tough times. People from both sides of the isle there are still ways to do it. Leg. LeClair since Leg. Kunzwiler is so concerned about this the majority and minority leader to not make the same amount of money. Leg. Kunzwiler could hold caucus in his car. The majority leader has 20 legislators. Why doesn't Leg. Kunzwiler reduce his cost and put it in the travel budget. Leg. Beardsley corporate American doesn't cut, they send for training, large percent of allocated funds multi billion companies, no amount is too small to look at. We are looking at our people who make the laws when you cut it too short then you pay for it. Leg. Tresidder commented that \$14,000 would not be enough for al legislators to attend the Blue Ribbon Task Force and NYSAC meeting. Leg. Brown reminded Leg. Kunzwiler that the total for mileage and travel may not all be turned in yet.

Leg. Chalifoux motioned to call the question. Leg. LeClair seconded.

Motion to call the question passed, with a voice vote.
(Leg. Mulcahey, Tresidder, Kunzwiler, Wilbur, Flett, Karasek and Malone in opposition)
YES: 17 NO: 7 ABSENT: 1

Motion to reduce travel from \$14,000 to \$7,000 failed, with a roll call vote.
(Leg. Mulcahey, Tresidder, Kunzwiler, and Malone in favor)
YES: 4 NO: 20 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Malone motioned to eliminate the position of Sr. Index Clerk for the County Clerk's Office. Leg. Kunzwiler seconded. Leg. Kunzwiler there is no contract, we should wait until next year before any act in the department. Leg. Beardsley commented that he does not know of any major problems in the Clerk's Office. Leg. Flett didn't we eliminate two part time positions in the Clerk's Office? If so we are going to need this index clerk. Leg. Kunzwiler the County Clerk stated that they didn't need the position. There were already people in the Clerk's Office with ethical violations, there are issues with that. That is a fact, not fiction. December and still no contract. Let's get this cleaned up next year and look at the position, no need for it. Leg. Beardsley it wasn't persons on ethical violations, it was a person with \$2,500 or less and that individual does not run the County Clerk's Office. Changes have been made, steps being made and changed the game plan. Leg. Kunzwiler I concur, glad there are going to be changes. Leg. Chalifoux – Leg. Malone wanted this done in house, it can be done in-house. Leg. Wilbur RFP has been sent out with changes, Phil it will be filled in-house, removed and revised to put index clerk back in the budget.

Motion to eliminate the Sr. Index Clerk position failed, with a roll call vote.
(Leg. Mulcahey, Tresidder, Kunzwiler, Doyle and Malone in favor)
YES: 5 NO: 19 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Mulcahey motioned to eliminate the life insurance for each legislator. It is a cost of \$11,850 per year. Seconded by Leg. Brown.

Leg. Brown reminded Leg. Mulcahey that his wife and children will be the one to receive the benefit.

Motion to eliminate life insurance for each legislator failed, with a roll call vote.
(Leg. Mulcahey, Tresidder, Kunzwiler, and Malone in favor)
YES: 4 NO: 20 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Mulcahey I have no personal issue with this organization, I received a phone call from a constituent questioning the legality of the County Legislature funding the Sportsman Federation Club but not Mercy Flight. I have some case law, is it legal that we fund the Club? County Attorney Rich Mitchell stated that it depends on the purpose. Conservation programs could be one reason, promotion and tourism could be another reason. Leg. Brown stated that the organization provides gun training for children receiving hunting licenses, fish and wildlife, DEC. Rich Mitchell stated that all legislative accounts require written memorandums with the funding. If they don't spend all the money it must be returned. Leg. Beardsley stated that he has attended their annual dinner for approximately 10 years, at that dinner they go over the budget and take the time to show what they do with the money to show that those funds are spent.

Leg. Karasek commented that looking at the budget I am pleased in the fact that we have a \$0.04 reduction which turns into \$4.00 for me coming off of my taxes in 2012. We have got to drive the economic engine in this county. \$0.04 does not keep people from losing their homes. We as a body need to get a little bit more unified with NYS stating that these mandates are killing us, we have to make some hard decisions at home. We need to be proactive to attract businesses and growth in the businesses that are here. We have a lot of great program, phenomenal infrastructure. Leg. Chalifoux that is a beautiful speech, I challenge Leg. Karasek if he has some suggestions to entertain the cuts tonight. Leg. Karasek commented he has made them in committee and was turned down.

Leg. Beardsley motioned to call the question. Leg. Kunzwiler seconded.

Motion to call the question passed, with a voice vote.

YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.

(Leg. Malone, Mulcahey, Tresidder and Kunzwiler in opposition)

YES: 20 NO: 4 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Ospelt offered Resolution No. 244, entitled, RESOLUTION MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR THE CONDUCT OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2012

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.

YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Potter offered Resolution No. 245, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN AND CLERK TO HANDLE ALL UNFINISHED BUSINESS THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2011

Resolution passed, with a voice vote.

YES: 24 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE LEGISLATURE REGARDING COUNTY ISSUES: There were none wishing to speak.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.