

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON DECEMBER 8, 2005
RELATIVE TO THE PROPOSED 2006 COUNTY BUDGET**

Chairman Russ Johnson opened the public hearing at 7:18.p.m. County Attorney, Richard Mitchell, read the Public Hearing notice on the proposed county budget for 2006. Chairman Johnson offered the floor to anyone wishing to speak on the proposed county budget.

Bill Buck, of Fulton, NY and President of the Board of Oswego Industries, spoke on behalf of Oswego Industries. He outlined the beneficial impacts that Oswego Industries has on the whole Oswego County community. Mr. Buck requested the Legislature include funding for Oswego Industries in the budget.

John Metelsky, Hannibal, NY, spoke regarding manufacturing incentives and hydrogen fuel production. His remarks also touched on taxes, energy, the steam plant in Oswego, the landfill, and suggestions to restore the tax base in the county.

Margaret Weigle, Pulaski, NY, spoke on behalf of the Oswego County Library Council, and sought to have the funding for the public libraries restored.

Ed Williamson, Granby, NY, urged the Legislature to keep the property taxes at a minimum, and make every effort to bring business and industry to the County.

Chuck Krupke, Pulaski, NY, discussed tourism in the county, the need to maintain tourism in the budget and the need to keep promoting tourism, fishing and businesses in Oswego County. He thanked the county for recognizing small business in the county, and in particular the Promotion and Tourism Department.

Selma Rowland, Phoenix, NY, sought to have the \$92,000 restored to the libraries of Oswego County in the 2006 budget. Other members of the Library Council stood up and were recognized.

There being no others wishing to speak, the public hearing was declared closed at 7:57 p.m.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE OSWEGO COUNTY
LEGISLATURE HELD DECEMBER 8, 2005
(RECESSED FROM NOVEMBER 10, 2005)**

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:59 p.m. Roll call was taken with all legislators present except Leg. Hoefer and Leg. Anson. Chairman Johnson asked if there were any persons that wanted to speak on the resolutions. There were none.

RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS:

Leg. Ospelt offered a resolution, entitled, RESOLUTION FIXING TIME AND PLACE FOR PUBLIC HEARING RELATIVE TO PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 3 OF 2005, ENTITLED, "A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND LOCAL LAW NUMBER 2 OF 1994", CONCERNING BOUNDARIES FOR THE FULTON EMPIRE ZONE. Leg. Ospelt made a motion to postpone indefinitely, seconded by Leg. Waters.

Motion was passed, by a voice vote
YES: 23 NO: 0 ABSENT: 2

Leg. Waters moved to suspend the rules, seconded by Leg. Osetek, and carried by a voice vote with no objections, in order to proceed with the next resolution.

Leg. Ospelt offered Resolution No. 168, entitled, RESOLUTION FIXING TIME AND PLACE FOR PUBLIC HEARING RELATIVE TO PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 4 OF 2005, ENTITLED, "A LOCAL LAW TO AMEND LOCAL LAW NUMBER 3 OF 1994", CONCERNING BOUNDARIES FOR THE OSWEGO EMPIRE ZONE. Leg. Waters moved to amend the resolution as follows: changing the "Local Law No. 4 of 2005" to read "Local Law No. 3 of 2005" in the title and in the first resolve make the same changes. Leg. Bullard seconded the motion.

Resolution passed, as amended, by a voice vote
YES: 23 NO: 0 ABSENT: 2

Leg. Osetek offered Resolution No. 169, entitled, RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING TIME AND PLACE FOR PUBLIC HEARING IN REGARD TO PROPOSED LOCAL LAW NO. 5 OF 2005 ENTITLED "A LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING A SALARY SCHEDULE FOR ELECTED COUNTY POSITIONS OF COUNTY CLERK, SHERIFF AND COUNTY TREASURER". Leg. Waters moved to amend the resolution to read as follows: "Local Law No. 5 of 2005" to "Local Law No. 4 of 2005" in the heading and the first resolve paragraph, as well as on the filing form, changing Local Law No. Five to Four of the year 2005, seconded by Leg. Bullard.

Resolution passed, as amended, by a voice vote
YES: 23 NO: 0 ABSENT: 2

Leg. Osetek offered Resolution No. 170, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT WITH THE CSEA OFFICE PERSONNEL UNIT. This resolution authorizes the tentative contract with the CSEA union. Leg. Seager stated that she would be abstaining from this vote.

Resolution passed, by a voice vote
YES: 22 NO: 0 ABSENT: 2 ABSTAIN: 1

UNFINISHED BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS/MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Leg. Waters moved to amend the wording of the second resolution changing Local Law No. 4 to Local Law No. 3, Leg. Ospelt seconded. This was passed with a voice vote.

Leg. Seager asked when the budget would be discussed. Chairman Johnson stated that it would come before them on December 15, 2005.

Leg. Osetek reminded the members of the Finance and Personnel Committee that it would be reconvening after the meeting.

Leg. Leemann called for a Republican caucus immediately following the Finance meeting and requested that all the newly elected people attend.

Leg. Waters moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Leg. Brown. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

OPPORTUNITY FOR THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE LEGISLATURE REGARDING COUNTY ISSUES:

There was no one wishing to speak.