

**MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON JUNE 15, 2006
RELATIVE TO "A LOCAL LAW AMENDING LOCAL LAW NUMBER ONE OF 2005
PERMITTING ALL TERRAIN VEHICLE OPERATION ON CERTAIN ROADS WITHIN
THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO."**

Chairman Russ Johnson opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. County Attorney, Richard Mitchell, read the Public Hearing Notice. Chairman Johnson offered the floor to any wishing to speak on the matter of amending the Local Law Number One of 2005 permitting all terrain vehicle operation on certain roads within the County of Oswego.

Irene Godfrey, Richland, expressed her deep concerns regarding all terrain vehicles and their operation on County roads, stressing safety and noise issues.

There being no others wishing to speak, the public hearing was declared closed at 7:07 p.m.

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE OSWEGO COUNTY
LEGISLATURE HELD JUNE 15, 2006**

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. Roll call was taken with all legislators present, except Leg. Ospelt. The invocation was given by Clerk of the Legislature, Ted Jerrett, followed by the salute to the flag.

MINUTES:

In the absence of any objections/corrections, the minutes of May 11, 2006 were approved.

PRESENTATIONS OF PETITIONS, COMMUNICATION AND NOTICES: None.

PROCLAMATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS:

Chairman Johnson invites Leg. Proud and the Health and Human Services Committee forward, along with Commissioner Fran Lanigan and DSS Clerk, Connie Day. Leg. Proud presented a certificate to Ms. Day for 31 years of service. Ms. Lanigan offered a few comments.

Chairman Johnson invites Leg. Fred Beardsley and members of the Economic Development and Planning Committee, as well as, Leg. Proud and Mr. Mark Dryden of Mexico forward. Mr. Dryden was recognized for his outstanding contributions to the County snowmobile trails. Legs. Beardsley and Proud offered comments.

Chairman Johnson invited Cooperative Extension Executive Director Paul Forestiere, 2006 Dairy Princess Becky Revette and Dairy Ambassadors Sarah Fuller and Gabrielle Glenister to come forward. Ted Jerrett read a Proclamation declaring June as Dairy Month. Comments were made by Director Forestiere, and Legs. Doyle, Leemann, and Brown. Dairy Princess, Becky Revette also thanked the Legislature and offered a few remarks.

Chairman Johnson invited Leg. Proud, Leg. Doyle, Health Commissioner Kathleen Smith and Associate Public Health Sanitarian, Natalie Roy, and members of the Health Department to come forward. Pulaski Village May Ed Delaney was invited to join them. Commissioner Smith presented the 1st place award for the Oswego County Drinking water contest to Mayor Delaney, who offered a few comments.

PUBLIC SPEAKERS ON RESOLUTIONS OF THE DAY:

John Metelsky, Hannibal, NY, spoke regarding Res. #110 and sales tax. He suggested the County would be better off to go to a 3% sales tax on all items rather than cap the taxable price of gas and diesel.

Ed Williamson, Town of Granby, thanked the Chairman, the Administrator and the legislature for doing a good job in managing county finances and for considering capping the sales tax on fuel. He also spoke on property taxes, and lowering the cost of power.

REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICIALS:

Leg. Brown spoke about the County Fair, and her visit to the “Nina”, a ship currently docked at the Port.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES: None.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES: None.

RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS:

Leg. Leemann offered Resolution No. 100, entitled, RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NUMBER ONE OF 2006 A LOCAL LAW AMENDING LOCAL LAW NUMBER ONE OF 2005 PERMITTING ALL TERRAIN VEHICLE OPERATION ON CERTAIN COUNTY ROADS WITHIN THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO. Legs. Thomas, Beckwith and Doyle offered comments in support of this resolution.

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

Leg. Thomas offered Resolution No. 101, entitled, RESOLUTION URGING THE ADOPTION OF THE 2006-2007 REAPPROPRIATIONS/REGULATIONS OF ELECTIONS PROGRAM BY THE NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY AND SENATE.

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

Leg. Thomas offered Resolution No. 102, 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 2001,2002,2003,2004.

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

Leg. Osetek offered Resolution No. 103, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT PERTAINING TO VARIOUS TAX CERTIORARI PROCEEDINGS BROUGHT BY NIAGARA MOHAWK d/b/a NATIONAL GRID AGAINST THE TOWN OF ORWELL, ET AL.

Resolution passed, with a voice vote
Leg. Potter in opposition and Leg. Chailifoux abstaining
YES: 22 NO: 1 ABSENT 1 ABSTAIN: 1

Leg. Beardsley offered Resolution No. 104, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FROM LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE FUND - GRANT WRITING ASSISTANCE.

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

Leg. Beardsley offered Resolution No. 105, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW PURSUANT TO §970 -r OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW - BROWNFIELD OPPORTUNITY AREAS GRANTS.

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

Leg. Leemann, offered Resolution No. 106, entitled, RESOLUTION AWARDED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT "TECHNICAL CONSULTING FOR THE DIVISION OF SOLID WASTE" REGARDING SERVER FOR LANDFILL OPERATIONS.

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

Leg. Leemann offered Resolution No. 107, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE FROM CAPITAL RESERVE NO. 18 - ROAD CONSTRUCTION.

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

Leg. Leemann offered Resolution No. 108, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS - SEWER REMEDIATION - PSC.

Resolution passed, with a voice vote
Leg. Gearsbeck opposing
YES: 24 NO: 1 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Leemann offered Resolution No. 109, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS - DSS ROOF REPLACEMENT.
Leg. Brown spoke in favor of this resolution.

Resolution passed, with a voice vote
Leg. Gearsbeck opposing
YES: 23 NO: 1 ABSENT: 1

Leg. Osetek offered Resolution No. 110, entitled, RESOLUTION OF THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO ELECTING A CENTS PER GALLON RATE OF SALES AND COMPENSATING USE TAXES ON MOTOR FUEL AND DIESEL MOTOR FUEL, IN LIEU OF THE PERCENTAGE RATE OF SUCH TAXES, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF ARTICLE 29 OF THE TAX LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK. Legs. Thomas, Brown, Beardsley, Seager, Kunzwiler, Proud, Santore, Gardner, Leemann, Potter, French and Bryant offered comments. After a lengthy discussion, a roll call vote was requested.

Resolution passed with a roll call vote
Leg. Seager opposing
YES: 23 NO: 1 ABSENT: 1

YES: THOMAS, POTTER, DOYLE, LEEMANN, BRYANT, GEARSBECK, PROUD, BROWN, BEARDSLEY, NATOLI, GARDNER, BULLARD, OSETEK, SANTORE, PONZI, KUNZWILER, CHALIFOUX, MALONE, BECKWITH, VASHO, FRENCH, BREWER, JOHNSON.

NO: SEAGER.
ABSENT: OSPELT.

Leg. Osetek offered Resolution No. 111, entitled, RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO, NEW YORK, APPROVING THE COUNTY OF OSWEGO INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY CIVIC FACILITY REVENUE BOND (OSWEGO SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC LIBRARY PROJECT) ISSUE IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000,000. Leg. Santore offered few supportive comments.

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

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 112, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION OFFICE FOR THE AGING - EISEP FUNDS

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

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 113, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION YOUTH BUREAU - REALITY CHECK.

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

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 114, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION YOUTH BUREAU - LEADERSHIP OSWEGO COUNTY YOUTH PROGRAM.

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

Leg. Proud offered Resolution No. 115, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES TANF ALLOCATION FOR SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM.

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

Leg. Beardsley offered Resolution No. 116, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION PLANNING DEPARTMENT - TOURISM PUBLICATION.
Legs. Brown and Seager offered supportive comments.

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

Leg. Osetek offered Resolution No. 117, entitled, RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGETARY MODIFICATION PURCHASING DEPARTMENT - TRANSFER SALARY LINE FROM ADMINISTRATION TO PURCHASING. Leg. Malone asked if the executive position would stay in the budget. County Administrator, Steve Lyman, stated that the position has been eliminated.

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

Leg. Leemann offered Resolution No. 118, entitled, RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT "ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS & GROUNDS" REGARDING DSS ROOF REPLACEMENT. Leg. Malone asked if this was the lowest bid. The response was yes. After a lengthy discussion, Leg. Brown moved to call the question, which was seconded and passed with a show of hands, Leg. Bryant opposing. A roll call vote was requested with the following results:

Resolution passed, with a roll call vote
Legs. Bryant, Gearsbeck and Seager in opposition
YES: 21 NO: 3 ABSENT: 1

YES: THOMAS, POTTER, DOYLE, LEEMANN, PROUD, BROWN, BEARDSLEY, NATOLI, GARDNER, BULLARD OSETEK, SANTORE, PONZI, KUNZWILER, CHALIFOUX, MALONE, BECKWITH, VASHO, FRENCH, BREWER, AND JOHNSON.

NO: BRYANT, GEARSBECK, SEAGER.

ABSENT: OSPELT.

Leg. Leemann offered Resolution No. 119, entitled, RESOLUTION AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT "ENGINEERING CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS & GROUNDS" REGARDING PSC SEWER SYSTEM. Leg. Malone asked whether it was the lowest bid. Purchasing Director Phil Church explained that although it was not, the company's superior qualifications made it the best choice.

Resolution passed, with a voice vote
Legs. Malone and Gearsbeck opposing
YES: 22 NO: 2 ABSENT: 1

UNFINISHED BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS/MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS: None.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting, and seconded, all in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

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

Cheryl Holmes, Town of Granby and mother of Joshua Dunn, urged the legislators to take a serious look at the E-911 system do all that it can to ensure response time is as short possible.

Sandy Althouse, Pulaski, discussed public transportation and urged the legislature to get communities to use it more fully.

Irene Godfrey, Richland, expressed her deep disappointment with the passage of Res.#100. There was no one else wishing to speak.