

Strategic Planning and Government Committee
Monday, January 26, 2009
10:00 A.M.
County Office Building

PRESENT: Milferd Potter, Chairman; Legislators Bob Hayes, Lee Walker, James Oldenburg, Jack Proud, James Bryant

STAFF & GUESTS: Legislator Paul Santore, Legislature Chairman Barry Leemann, Legislator Art Gearsbeck , County Administrator Phil Church, Terri Somers

EXCUSED: Mike Kunzwiler

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 A.M. by Chairman Potter.

MINUTES

The minutes of the November 24, 2008 and January 6 2009 meetings were approved upon motion by Legislator Walker, seconded by Legislator Proud, with all in favor.

RESOLUTIONS

Rules and Order of Business – Review and Proposed Changes to Rule 11, Section 3; Rule 15 and Rule 16. Administrator Church provided the members with an updated copy of the Minutes. He explained that the Legislature needs to adopt the rules before March 31st of each year. There are only three changes. Motion to approve and send to the Legislature by Legislator Walker, seconded by Legislator Proud with all in favor.

Resolution Urging Support for the Executive’s Proposal to Base Indigent Legal Services Funding on a Three-Year Average... The current funding criteria punishes counties that strive to lower costs and increase efficiencies because 100 percent of the funding is removed if counties lower their cots. It was noted that during the past two years twelve counties became ineligible for funding because they responsibly spent less, and Oswego County could potentially lose its funding for the same reason. Therefore a resolution has been prepared to support the Governor’s executive budget proposal in regard to reforming the maintenance –of-effort calculation for indigent defense funding for counties. Motion to approve the resolution by Legislator Oldenburg, seconded by Legislator Bryant with all in favor.

Resolution Changing the Location of the August 13, 2009 Meeting of the Oswego County Legislature. Each August, the Legislature meets at the Pulaski Court House in Pulaski, New York. Motion to approve the change by Legislator Proud, seconded by Legislator Walker with all in favor.

Chairman Potter welcomed Bob Hayes to the Legislature and to this committee.

Legislator Kunzwiler arrived at adjournment. The committee meeting lasted 10 minutes.

Motion to adjourn by Legislator Oldenburg, seconded by Legislator Walker with all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 10:10 A.M.