

WAYS AND MEANS
COMMITTEE
of the
SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATURE
Minutes

A regular meeting of the Ways and Means Committee of the Suffolk County Legislature was held in the Rose Y. Caracappa Legislative Auditorium of the William H. Rogers Legislature Building, Veterans Memorial Highway, Smithtown, New York, on Wednesday, June 16, 2016.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Legislator Steven Stern - Chairman
Legislator Tom Barraga - Vice-Chairman
Legislator Sarah Anker
Legislator Al Krupski
Legislator Tom Muratore

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Amy Ellis - Chief Deputy Clerk of the Legislature
George Nolan - Counsel to the Legislature
Alyssa Turano – Aide to the Majority Leader
Jill Moss - Budget Review Office
Katie Horst - County Executive's Office
Lynne Bizzarro – County Attorney's Office
Rick Brand, Newsday
All other interested parties

MINUTES TAKEN BY:

Gabrielle Severs - Court Stenographer

(The meeting was called to order at 12:37 p.m.)

CHAIRWOMAN FLEMING:

Good afternoon, everyone. Welcome to a regular meeting of the Ways and Means committee. I will begin with the Pledge of Allegiance, if we could all stand. If you could lead us, Legislator Trotta.

(*Salutation*)

If we could all just stand for a moment and send our thoughts and prayers to Orlando.

(Moment of Silence Observed)

Thank you.

Are you with us, Legislator Trotta? Are you ready to go?

LEG. TROTТА:

In body but not in mind.

CHAIRWOMAN FLEMING:

Do you need a minute?

LEG. TROTТА:

I'm okay now.

CHAIRWOMAN FLEMING:

I have no correspondence. We'll move right to public portion. I don't have any yellow cards. Is there any member of the audience who would like to be heard? Three minutes at that time podium. Seeing none, we'll move right into our agenda.

So we have no presentations today. Tabled resolutions. Hold on one moment, please. We are missing one legislator. Can you see if you can find Doc before we start voting? We're just going to wait a couple minutes to see if Legislator Spencer is in the building. We're going to take a five-minute recess. We'll be back in five minutes. Thank you.

(A recess was taken from 12:40 p.m. to 12:42 p.m.)

Thank you all for waiting. Back on the record. We are moving into tabled resolutions as part of the regular agenda.

Resolution 1179, Adopting Local Law No. -2016, A Local Law to enact a Campaign Finance Reform Act to limit campaign contributions from County Contractors and Public Employee Unions (Trotta).

LEG. TROTТА:

Table.

LEG. CILMI:

Public hearing.

LEG. CALARCO:

Second.

CHAIRWOMAN FLEMING:

Needs be tabled for public hearing. Motion by Legislator Trotta. Seconded by Legislator Calarco. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? So moved. **Tabled/Public Hearing (VOTE: 7-0-0-0)**

Resolution 1312, Accepting the donation of a monument honoring United States Service members who came in peace killed in Beirut bombing terror attacks (Stern), which needs to be tabled for review by Sitings Committee. I'll make that motion. Seconded by Legislator Spencer. All in favor? All opposed? Any abstentions? Motion carries. **Tabled (VOTE: 7-0-0-0)**

Moving into Introductory Resolutions, resolution 1489, Authorizing certain technical correction to adopted Resolution No. 1076-2014 (County Executive). Motion by myself. Seconded by Legislator Calarco. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? 1489 carries. Approved **(VOTE: 7-0-0-0)**

1497, Authorizing a license agreement with the Hauppauge Youth Organization (County Executive). Motion by Legislator Martinez. Seconded by Legislator Trotta. Anybody here at the meeting? All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? That carries. **Approved (VOTE: 7-0-0-0)**

Resolution 1511, Approval of auction rules for the disposition of surplus property acquired under the Suffolk County Tax Act (County Executive). I'll make a motion to approve. Seconded by Legislator Spencer. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? So moved. **Approved (VOTE: 7-0-0-0)**.

Resolution 1528, Authorizing the sale, pursuant to Local Law No. 16-1976, of real property acquired under Section 46 of the Suffolk County Tax Act Carol Ann Vickers (SCTM No. 0102-001.00-02.00-090.000) (County Executive). Motion by Legislator Calarco. Seconded by Legislator Cilmi. Is it a motion to approve and place on the consent calendar, Rob?

LEG. CALARCO:

Yes.

CHAIRWOMAN FLEMING:

All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? So that's approved onto the consent calendar. **Approved/Consent (VOTE: 7-0-0-0)**.

IR 1529, Authorizing the sale, pursuant to Local Law No. 16-1976, of real property acquired under Section 46 of the Suffolk County Tax Act Dianne Pendolfo, as executrix of the last will and testament of Joseph Smalley, deceased (SCTM No. 1000-095.00-04.00-018.011)(County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? So moved. **Approved/Consent (VOTE: 7-0-0-0)**.

1530, Authorizing the sale, pursuant to Local Law No. 16-1976, of real property acquired under Section 46 of the Suffolk County Tax Act Elizabeth Laster (SCTM Nos. 0400-098.00-02.00-060.001 and 0400-098.00-02.00-060.002)(County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? So moved. **Approved/Consent (VOTE: 7-0-0-0)**.

1531, Authorizing the sale, pursuant to Local Law No. 16-1976, of real property acquired under Section 46 of the Suffolk County Tax Act Richard Vetrano and Margaret L. Vetrano, his wife (SCTM No. 0900-232.00-03.00-002.000). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed?

Abstentions? The legislation goes forward. **Approved/Consent (VOTE: 7-0-0-0).**

1532, Authorizing the sale, pursuant to Local Law No. 16-1976, of real property acquired under Section 46 of the Suffolk County Tax Act Anthony Emanuele (SCTM No. 0800-018.00-04.00-021.000)(County Executive). Same same All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? So moved. **Approved/Consent (VOTE: 7-0-0-0).**

1533, Authorizing the sale, pursuant to Local Law No. 16-1976, of real property acquired under Section 46 of the Suffolk County Tax Act Eric W. Baldwin, as to a ½ interest acquired by deed in Liber 12858, Page 703, Lannie Rice, as to ½ interest acquired as heir of Macie Rice and Brownie Rice, as to ½ interest acquired as heir of Macie Rice (SCTM No. 0200-606.00-02.00-025.000)(County Executive). Same same All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? So moved. **Approved/Consent (VOTE: 7-0-0-0).**

1534, Authorizing the sale, pursuant to Local Law No. 16-1976, of real property acquired under Section 46 of the Suffolk County Tax Act James Lascalia and Joanne Lascalia, his wife (SCTM No. 0200-029.00-05.00-025.001)(County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? 1534 is approved. **Approved/Consent (VOTE: 7-0-0-0).**

1535, Authorizing the sale, pursuant to Local Law No. 16-1976, of real property acquired under Section 46 of the Suffolk County Tax Act Estate of Anne Schultheis (SCTM No. 0700-017.00-01.00-008.000) (County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? So moved. **Approved/Consent (VOTE: 7-0-0-0).**

1536, Authorizing the sale, pursuant to Local Law No. 16-1976, of real property acquired under Section 46 of the Suffolk County Tax Act Estate of Anne Schultheis (SCTM No. 0700-017.00-01.00-008.000)(County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? So moved. **Approved/Consent (VOTE: 7-0-0-0).**

1537, Authorizing the sale, pursuant to Local Law No. 16-1976, of real property acquired under Section 46 of the Suffolk County Tax Act Joseph James (SCTM No. 0200-958.00-07.00-019.000) (County Executive). Same motion, same second. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? So moved. **Approved/Consent (VOTE: 7-0-0-0).**

1566, Adopting Local Law No. -2016, A Charter Law establishing a Public Campaign Financing Law (Calarco).

LEG. CALARCO:
Motion to table.

CHAIRWOMAN FLEMING:
Motion to table by Legislator Calarco. Seconded by Legislator Spencer. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? That legislation is approved.

LEG. TROTTA:
No, it's tabled.

CHAIRWOMAN FLEMING:
Is tabled for public hearing. Thank you. **(VOTE: 7-0-0-0)**

1572, Authorizing the reconveyance of County-owned real estate pursuant to Section 215, New York State County Law to Alexander Czarnecki (SCTM No. 0200-460.00-01.00-009.000) (County Executive). I'll make a motion to approve. Seconded by Legislator Spencer. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? 1572 is **approved (VOTE: 7-0-0-0)**

1573, Authorizing the reconveyance of County-owned real estate pursuant to Section 215, New York State County Law to Audrey Saullo, executor of the estate of Margaret R. Saullo (SCTM No. 0500-352.00-02.00-009.000) (Lindsay). I will second it. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? 1573 carries. **Approved (7-0-0-0)**

1582, Adopting Local Law No. -2016, A Local Law to extend to independently elected County Officials authority to approve educational conference or seminar attendance (McCaffrey).

LEG. CILMI:

Motion to table for public hearing.

CHAIRWOMAN FLEMING:

Motion to table by Legislator Cilmi to table for public hearing. Seconded by Legislator Calarco. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? 1582 is approved. **Tabled for Public Hearing (VOTE: 7-0-0-0)**

We have no procedural motions. We do have two executive session items, so we will adjourn to executive session for the purposes of considering litigation. I'll make a motion to do that. Seconded by my vice chair, Legislator Spencer. All in favor? Opposed? Abstentions? We are recessing to executive session. We will be back. Thank you.

(The committee met in executive session
from 12:50 p.m. until 1:08 p.m.)

So we are back on the record. And following in our executive session, the committee authorized settlement of the matter of Anne Pirozzi (ph) vs. the County of Suffolk in the amount of \$200,000 with one dissenting vote.

MR. NOLAN:

Trotta voting no.

CHAIRWOMAN FLEMING:

Thank you. And also we authorized the settlement of Joseph Ruck (ph) versus the County of Suffolk in the amount of \$90,000, and that was unanimous, and we have no further business, so the committee is adjourned. Thank you.

(The committee meeting was adjourned at 1:08 p.m.)