
**BROOME COUNTY LEGISLATURE
SPECIAL SESSION
NOVEMBER 8, 2007**

The Legislature convened at 6:05 p.m. with a call to order by the Chair, Mark R. Whalen. The Clerk, Eric S. Denk, read the fire exit announcement and called the Attendance Roll, Present-19, Absent-0. Joseph Sluzar, County Attorney, was also in attendance.

The Chair, Mr. Whalen, led the members of the Legislature in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, followed by an invocation by Ms. Buchta.

WRITTEN OR ORAL PRESENTATIONS OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE:

- A. Supplemental Budget Message #1 from the County Executive-Departments of Social Services and Health

REPORT OF A STANDING COMMITTEE

Mr. Reynolds moved the following Finance Committee Report proposing recommended changes to the County Executive's Proposed 2008 Operating Budget. Mr. Schofield seconded the motion.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT
OF PROPOSED CHANGES
TO THE 2008 OPERATING BUDGET**

BA#1

Seconded by Mr. Schofield.

Legislature, Arena, Buildings and Grounds

#	Page	Reason	Line	From	To	Difference
1	33	Legislature - decrease Travel	4462	\$8,500	\$7,000	(\$1,500)
2	33	Legislature - decrease Ed & Training	4463	\$3,070	\$2,570	(\$500)
3	433	Arena - decrease Travel	4462	\$1,500	\$1,000	(\$500)
4	433	Arena - decrease Ed & Training	4463	\$2,000	\$1,000	(\$1,000)
5	432	Arena - decrease Heating/AC	4426	\$78,000	\$68,000	(\$10,000)
6	337	Bld & Grnds - decrease Snow Removal	4305	\$524,000	\$500,000	(\$24,000)

BA#1 carried.

BA#2

Seconded by Mr. Sanfilippo.
Parks and Recreation / En-Joie Golf Course

#	Page	Reason	Line	From	To	Difference
7	444	En-Joie - decrease Temp salary	1600	\$245,000	\$235,000	(\$10,000)
8	445	En-Joie - increase Charge-backs	4614	\$0	\$7,500	\$7,500
9	154	Bldg & Grounds - increase Chargeback to En-Joie revenue	0028	\$189,000	\$196,500	\$7,500 (REV)

BA#2 carried.

BA#3

Seconded by Mr. LaBare.
Public Works / Building and Grounds

#	Page	Reason	Line	From	To	Difference
10	155	Bldg & Grnds - restore PT salaries	1500	\$0	\$50,182	\$50,182
11	155	Bldg & Grnds - decrease Fuel, Heating Supplies	4326	\$570,182	\$520,000	(\$50,182)
12	237	Security - restore Computer Contract	4449	\$3,200	\$9,200	\$6,000

Motion by Mr. Shafer, seconded by Mr. Keibel, to restore line page 155, line 4326 to \$570,182. Mr. Shafer expressed his concern for reducing funds for fuel and heating when fuel costs continue to rise. When questioned, Mr. Weissmann advised the Board that he felt comfortable with reducing the budget for fuel and heating as recommended in the report.

Motion by Mr. Hull, seconded by Mr. Shafer, to call the question.

Motion to call the question carried. Ayes-15, Nays-4 (Materese, Garnar, Kuzel, Mather)

Motion to amend line 4326 defeated. Ayes-2, Nays-17 (Materese, Keibel, Sanfilippo, Hull, Hutchings, LaBare, Black, Howard, Cleary, Garnar, Kuzel, Reynolds, Marinich, Herz, Buchta, Mather, Whalen)

BA#3 as presented carried. Ayes-18, Nays-1 (Shafer)

BA#4

Seconded by Mr. Cleary.
Emergency Services / OES –Operations

#	Pg	Reason	Line	From	To	Difference
13	213	EMS - restore personnel to Authorized 2007 Amount	1000	\$1,904,881	\$1,924,881	\$20,000
14	218	EMS 911 - remove additional funding for personnel	1000	\$110,756	\$69,756	(\$41,000)
15	218	EMS 911 - restore Misc. Operational Supplies	4349	\$0	\$31,000	\$31,000
16	218	EMS 911 - restore Computer Software	4359	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000

BA#4 carried.

BA#5

Seconded by Mr. Howard
Planning and Economic Development

#	Pg	Reason	Line	From	To	Difference
17	412	Planning - increase STERB funding	5056	\$5,000	\$20,000	\$15,000
18	412	Planning - decrease Advertising	4448	\$6,000	\$0	(\$6,000)

BA#5 carried.

BA#6

Seconded by Mr. Sanfilippo.
Social Services / Social Services Programs

#	Pg	Reason	Line	From	To	Difference
19	398	DSS - restore Purchase of Services	4561	\$2,473,774	\$2,610,533	\$136,759
20	397	DSS - increase TANF State Aid	0306	\$5,058,509	\$5,147,402	\$88,893 (REV)
21	397	DSS - restore Misc. Contributions	0166	\$99,137	\$104,094	\$4,957 (REV)
22	398	DSS - decrease State Training Schools	4585	\$600,000	\$557,091	(\$42,909)

BA#6 carried.

BA#7

Seconded by Mr. Shafer.
County Clerk / Records

#	Pg	Reason	Line	From	To	Difference
23	47	Clerk - increase Fees Rev	0015	\$1,100,000	\$1,200,000	\$100,000 (REV)
24	47	Clerk - decrease Mortgage Tax Rev	0017	\$350,000	\$291,896	(\$58,104) (REV)
25	54	Records - increase General Office Expenses	4419	\$2,000	\$5,000	\$3,000

BA#7 carried.

BA#8

Seconded by Mr. Howard.
Parks and Recreation / Parks

#	Pg	Reason	Line	From	To	Difference
26	453	Parks - restore 2 Construction Workers and eliminate 1 Park Technician	1000	\$1,088,257	\$1,124,257	\$36,000
27	456	Parks - increase Retirement	8010	\$102,858	\$106,453	\$3,595
28	456	Parks - increase FICA	8030	\$83,253	\$86,060	\$2,807
29	456	Parks - increase Life Insurance	8050	\$552	\$576	\$24
30	456	Parks - increase Health Insurance	8060	\$394,970	\$404,520	\$9,550
31	455	Parks - decrease Gas Oil Grease and Diesel	4347	\$31,500	\$29,500	(\$2,000)
32	455	Parks - decrease Electric Current	4427	\$70,250	\$42,250	(\$28,000)
33	460	Recreation - decrease Food and Beverage	4331	\$31,200	\$26,200	(\$5,000)
34	438	Forum - decrease Electric Current	4427	\$48,500	\$43,500	(\$5,000)

BA#8 carried.

BA#9

Seconded by Mr. Shafer

Other – Contractual Agencies

#	Pg	Reason	Line	From	To	Difference
35	483	Hotel/Motel Occ. Tax - remove GBC funding	5083	\$100,000	\$0	(\$100,000)
36	483	Hotel/Motel Occ. Tax - increase Mktg/Econ Development	5068	\$125,000	\$225,000	\$100,000

Mr. Kuzel cited Rule 17 of the Broome County Legislature's Rules of Order, and asked that the two items in Budget Amendment #9 be voted on separately.

BA#9, item #35 carried. Ayes-17, Nays-2 (Keibel, Hull)**BA#9, item #36 carried.** Ayes-10, Nays-9 (Keibel, Hull, Schofield, Shafer, Black, Howard, Kuzel, Marinich, Mather)**BA#10**

Seconded by Mr. Cleary.

Sheriff / Corrections

#	Pg	Reason	Line	From	To	Difference
37	206	Corrections - increase Revenues /US Marshall Federal Aid	0561	\$400,000	\$500,000	\$100,000 (REV)
38	206	Corrections - reduce Overtime	1700	\$1,100,000	\$1,000,000	(\$100,000)
39	207	Corrections - reduce Travel	4462	\$14,000	\$2,000	(\$12,000)
40	207	Corrections - reduce Corrections Medical Hospital Svcs	4707	\$302,000	\$202,000	(\$100,000)
41	207	Corrections - reduce Office Supplies	4319	\$25,000	\$15,000	(\$10,000)
42	206	Corrections - add 3 Corrections Officers	1000	\$8,459,487	\$8,564,103	\$104,616
43	208	Corrections - increase state retirement, 3 CO's	8010	\$1,005,181	\$1,016,890	\$11,709
44	208	Corrections - increase FICA, 3 CO's	8030	\$800,328	\$809,469	\$9,141
45	208	Corrections - increase Life Insurance, 3 CO's	8050	\$4,008	\$4,080	\$72
46	208	Corrections - increase Health Insurance, 3 CO's	8060	\$1,885,591	\$1,914,241	\$28,650

BA #10 carried. Ayes-15, Nays-4 (Keibel, Hull, Kuzel, Mather)

BA#11

Seconded by Mr. Howard.

Other / Contractual Agencies

#	Pg	Reason	Line	From	To	Difference
47	483	Contract Agencies - increase Arts Council	5008	\$175,000	\$180,351	\$5,351
48	472	Contract Agencies - increase Discovery Center	5011	\$0	\$12,523	\$12,523
49	483	Contract Agencies - increase Broome Historical Society	5051	\$0	\$32,550	\$32,550
50	483	Contract Agencies - increase Zoo	5064	\$350,000	\$375,000	\$25,000
51	483	Contract Agencies - increase 4 County Library	5062	\$0	\$37,000	\$37,000
52	372	Contract Agencies - increase ACCORD	5057	\$0	\$11,031	\$11,031
53	483	Contract Agencies - increase Soil & Water Conservation	5054	\$75,000	\$78,120	\$3,120

Motion by Mr. Keibel, seconded by Mr. Shafer, to restore page 483, line 5054, to \$84,000.

Motion to amend BA #11 defeated. Ayes-9, Nays-10 (Materese, Sanfilippo, Hutchings, LaBare, Cleary, Garnar, Reynolds, Herz, Buchta, Whalen)**BA#11 carried as presented.** Ayes-17, Nays-2 (Hutchings, Garnar)

Mr. Hutchings and Mr. Garnar requested, later in the meeting, that their votes be changed to aye. Chairman Whalen and the members of the Legislature had no objections, so Chairman Whalen consented to the change.

BA#12

Seconded by Mr. Cleary.

Parks and Recreation / Veteran's Arena

#	Pg	Reason	Line	From	To	Difference
54	431	Arena - increase Charges For Services	0161	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000 (REV)
55	431	Arena - increase Commissions	0197	\$18,000	\$20,000	\$2,000 (REV)
56	432	Arena - decrease Equipment	2240	\$14,000	\$13,000	(\$1,000)
57	432	Arena - decrease Bldg & Grnds Supplies	4429	\$55,000	\$52,852	(\$2,148)
58	438	Forum - decrease Bldg and Maint Supplies	4323	\$20,000	\$15,000	(\$5,000)
59	454	Parks - decrease Parks FT salary	1000	\$1,088,257	\$1,084,399	(\$3,858)
60	432	Arena - restore PT Custodian	1500	\$70,528	\$96,534	\$26,006

BA#12 carried.

Motion by Mr. Kuzel, seconded by Mr. Shafer, to recess for 15 minutes.
Carried.

The Legislature reconvened at 7:20 pm.

Motion by Mr. Shafer, seconded by Mr. Materese, to accept Supplemental Budget Message #1 from the County Executive.
Carried.

BA#13

Elections (pg. 93)

Mr. Schofield made a motion, seconded by Mr. Howard, to remove line 0161, Charges for Services, in the amount of \$253,940.

Mr. Hull made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cleary, to call the question.

Motion to call the question carried. Ayes-10, Nays-9 (Materese, Schofield, Shafer, Hutchings, Black, Howard, Garnar, Kuzel, Mather)

BA#13 defeated. Ayes-9, Nays-10 (Materese, Sanfilippo, Hutchings, LaBare, Cleary, Garnar, Reynolds, Herz, Buchta, Whalen)

BA#14

Sheriff, Corrections (pg. 206)

Mr. Shafer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schofield, to add \$60,000 to line 2021, Automobiles.

BA#14 defeated. Ayes-8, Nays-10 (Materese, Sanfilippo, Hutchings, LaBare, Cleary, Garnar, Reynolds, Herz, Buchta, Whalen), Absent-1 (Hull)

BA#15

Sheriff, Corrections (pg. 206)

Mr. Shafer made a motion, seconded by Mr. Schofield, to add \$30,000 to line 2021, Automobiles, to purchase one vehicle.

BA#15 defeated. Ayes-8, Nays-10 (Materese, Sanfilippo, Hutchings, LaBare, Cleary, Garnar, Reynolds, Herz, Buchta, Whalen), Absent-1 (Hull)

BA#16

Other-Contractual Agencies (pg.483)

Mr. Kuzel made a motion, seconded by Mr. Mather, to restore line 5063, Aid to Local Libraries, to the 2007 budgeted amount of \$602,938.

BA#16 defeated. Ayes-8, Nays-10 (Materese, Sanfilippo, Hutchings, LaBare, Cleary, Garnar, Reynolds, Herz, Buchta, Whalen), Absent-1 (Hull)

BA#17

Other-Contractual Agencies (pg. 483)

Mr. LaBare made a motion, seconded by Mr. Materese, to increase line 5063, Aid to Local Libraries, to an amount that is 7% lower than the 2007 budgeted amount of \$602,938.

BA#17 carried. Ayes-14, Nays-4 (Sanfilippo, Cleary, Herz, Whalen), Absent-1 (Hull)

BA#18

Other-Contractual Agencies (pg. 483)

Mr. Schofield made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shafer, to do the following:

5060 Convention Bureau	+25,000
5068 Marketing/Economic Development	(125,000)
5077 Re-establish IDA line	+550,000
5084 Brownfield Remediation	(225,000)

BA#18 defeated. Ayes-8, Nays-10 (Materese, Sanfilippo, Hutchings, LaBare, Cleary, Garnar, Reynolds, Herz, Buchta, Whalen), Absent-1 (Hull)

BA #19

Other-Contractual Agencies (pg. 483)

Mr. Schofield made a motion, seconded by Mr. Shafer, to add \$125,000 to line 0006, Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax.

BA#19 defeated. Ayes-8, Nays-10 (Materese, Sanfilippo, Hutchings, LaBare, Cleary, Garnar, Reynolds, Herz, Buchta, Whalen), Absent-1 (Hull)

RESOLUTIONS HELD OVER FROM A PREVIOUS SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 532

(Held over by Mr. Schofield)

RESOLUTION MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE BROOME COUNTY GOVERNMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008

Carried. Ayes-16, Nays-2 (Shafer, Kuzel), Absent-1 (Hull)

RESOLUTION NO. 533

(Held over by Mr. Schofield)

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2008-2013 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Carried. Ayes-18, Nays-0, Absent-1 (Hull)

RESOLUTION NO. 534

(Held over by Mr. Schofield)

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE BROOME COUNTY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008

Carried. Ayes-15, Nays-3 (Shafer, Black, Kuzel), Absent-1 (Hull)

Chairman Whalen thanked everyone involved in putting the Budget together for their hard work.

Mr. Cleary made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Garnar. **Motion to adjourn carried.**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

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