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2	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: I'm going to ask
3	everybody to please rise for the Pledge of
4	Allegiance, led by Legislator Howard Kopel.
5	(Whereupon, the Pledge of Allegiance was
6	recited.)
7	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Mr. Clerk, would you
8	call the roll, please?
9	CLERK MULLER: Legislator Wink?
10	LEGISLATOR WINK: Here.
11	CLERK MULLER: Legislator Jacobs?
12	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Here.
13	CLERK MULLER: Ranking Member Abrahams?
14	Okay. Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton
15	substituting for Legislator Abrahams is here.
16	Legislator Walker?
17	LEGISLATOR WALKER: Here.
18	CLERK MULLER: Legislator Nicolello
19	substituting for Legislator Dunne?
20	LEGISLATOR DUNNE: Here.
21	CLERK MULLER: Vice Chairman Kopel?
22	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Here.
23	CLERK MULLER: Chairman Schmitt?
24	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Here.
25	CLERK MULLER: We have a quorum.

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2	required system and therefore this is a sole
3	source procurement.
4	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Does anybody have any
5	questions?
6	LEGISLATOR WINK: Yeah. I just have a
7	quick question.
8	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator Wink.
9	LEGISLATOR WINK: The nature of this
LO	system, is this the type of system that can do
L1	I.D. recognition or facial recognition?
L2	MS. FOX: For that question, Legislator
L3	Wink, I have Sergeant Devin Ross, the commanding
L4	officer of electronic squad, if I could defer to
L5	him.
L6	LEGISLATOR WINK: Sure.
L7	MS. FOX: Thank you.
L8	SERGEANT ROSS: Devin Ross - R-O-S-S.
L9	Legislator, this system is going to be working in
20	conjunction with a system that was previously
21	purchased by the department using federal grant
22	funding.
23	The system that's currently owned is the
24	laid out the architecture for this system.
25	It's the archiving and software licensing for

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LEGISLATOR WINK: Okay.

SERGEANT ROSS: This system that we're purchasing will work in conjunction with it.

It's cameras that could be transmitted both wired and over wireless encrypted mesh networks. This system alone does not have the ability to have facial recognition. But the current system that we own is an open-source platform and will allow future integration, if we decide to go down that path, for facial recognition and other open-source platforms like that.

LEGISLATOR WINK: Oh, okay. Because I saw something in reference to the 2012

Presidential Debate, being one of the -- I guess one of the events where this system would be employed, and I thought maybe that would have something to do with it.

SERGEANT ROSS: This system will be used during the Presidential Debates, as well as after the debates, investigations and other minor and major events that the county hosts.

LEGISLATOR WINK: Gotcha. Okay. Thank you.

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2	SERGEANT ROSS: You're welcome, sir.	
3	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Anybody else?	
4	(No verbal response.)	
5	Any public comment?	
6	(No verbal response.)	
7	All those in favor please say aye.	
8	(Aye.)	
9	Any opposed?	
10	(No verbal response.)	
11	The item carries unanimously.	
12	I'm going to request that before we go	
13	onto the next item that everybody please take a	
14	moment, let's rise for a moment of silence for	
15	what happened out in Colorado.	
16	(Whereupon, a moment of silence was	
17	taken.)	
18	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Thank you.	
19	Item Number 827, which is a contract	
20	between DPW and Winter Brothers Recycling Corps	
21	for bar screen and grit removal at the which	
22	treatment plant?	
23	MR. FADAL: Christopher Fadal with the	
24	Department of Public Works.	
25	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Hold on a second. We	3

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2	need a motion.
3	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
4	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
5	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
6	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
7	Just identify yourself for the record,
8	please.
9	MR. FADAL: Christopher Fadal, I'm with
10	the Department of Public Works. This item is for
11	a blanket purchase order for bar screen and grit
12	removal services. It's for the disposal of items
13	like rags, gravel, other things that are removed
14	during the pre-treatment process at the plants.
15	The stuff's removed so it doesn't damage the
16	equipment. And this is the contract to dispose
17	of it.
18	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: How does he dispose
19	of it?
20	MR. FADAL: Yeah.
21	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: How? What do they
22	take it away?
23	MR. FADAL: Yeah. We put it into
24	dumpsters and then, yeah, Winter Brothers hauls
25	it away.

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2	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Okay. Any questions?
3	(No verbal response.)
4	Any public comment?
5	(No verbal response.)
6	All those in favor please say aye.
7	(Aye.)
8	Any opposed?
9	(No verbal response.)
10	The items carry unanimously.
11	Thank you.
12	I'm going to call B-20, B-28, and B-29
13	together. These are contracts between the
14	Department of Public Works and Posillico Civil,
15	Inc., with Wellsbach Electric, and with E&A
16	Restoration.
17	May I have a motion, please?
18	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
19	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
20	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
21	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
22	Yes.
23	MS. DUQUEZ: Sheila Duquez, Department
24	of Public Works, for B-28.
25	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Okay. Who is here

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2	for B-20?
3	MR. FAISANO: Mike Faisano, Department
4	of Public Works.
5	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Okay. Tell us about
6	B-20, please.
7	MR. FAISANO: B-20 is a contract to have
8	the digesters cleaned at Bay Park. The digesters
9	need to be cleaned to improve the methane
10	production, which the methane is used to power
11	the plants.
12	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: The digesters get
13	cleaned out?
14	MR. FAISANO: Right. The digesters,
15	they haven't been cleaned in about 20 years, they
16	have heavy sludge on the bottom of them which is
17	restricting the production of methane.
18	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: So we haven't cleaned
19	them they haven't been cleaned by the county
20	in 20 years.
21	MR. FAISANO: Correct.
22	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: So what happens?
23	Does the plant have to stop operation while they
24	clean these out?
25	MR. FAISANO: No. We phase it. We'll

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2	do one at a time. We have eight digesters at Bay
3	Park and we'll clean one at a time.
4	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: So what is in that on
5	the bottom, like a muck?
6	MR. FAISANO: It's a mucky, greasy,
7	hair, anything that gets separated in the process
8	goes into the digesters.
9	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: So they take it all
10	out and what do they, like?
11	MR. FAISANO: They'll dispose of it.
12	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Thirteen million
13	dollars?
14	MR. FAISANO: Yes.
15	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Okay. Anybody else
16	have any questions? Legislator Kopel.
17	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Thank you. So, are
18	we contemplating replacing any of these digesters
19	all together?
20	MR. FAISANO: No, no. Absolutely not.
21	This is just a cleaning contract, it's all that
22	needs to be done. The super structures are in
23	good shape. It's just a cleaning contract to get
24	them performing better.
25	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: So when you say

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2	they're performing better, the results of them
3	performing better is that going to impact on
4	odor abatement at all?
5	MR. FAISANO: The when we open up a
6	digester it definitely will have an odor.
7	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Right.
8	MR. FAISANO: The top, the floating
9	tops, the covers will be removed so they can get
10	machinery inside to clean out the digesters.
11	When the water seal on the top is broken and the
12	cover's removed there will be initial odors, yes.
13	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Are we going to be
14	able to notify the residents that this is going
15	on? Can I get some sort of scheduling for this
16	when it happens?
17	MR. FAISANO: Yeah. Absolutely. And
18	we're going to send out notification.
19	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: To?
20	MR. FAISANO: To the different groups
21	that we meet monthly with.
22	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Could you put me on
23	that list?
24	MR. FAISANO: Absolutely.
25	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: As opposed to now,

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2	the odors, once the work has been completed, will
3	the odors be less than they are now? Is this
4	part of the odor problem?
5	MR. FAISANO: Right now there really is
6	no odor problem until a digester goes sour. The
7	reason a digester goes sour is because they
8	haven't been cleaned in 20 years and we cannot
9	create the loop of heat that the digesters need
10	to perform. So once this digester cleaning takes
11	place, they will perform much better.
12	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: And what do you
13	expect will be the result of this better
14	performance, in terms of methane production?
15	What is going to be the anticipated savings by
16	virtue of having to buy less gas?
17	MR. FAISANO: In other words, we would
18	not run the excuse me we would not run the
19	engines that power the plant on natural gas.
20	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Right. You'd use
21	this instead.
22	MR. FAISANO: We run out of methane
23	quick right now, and then we have to switch over.
24	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Right. So what are
25	you projecting will be the savings?

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2	MR. FAISANO: We would say probably 50,
3	60 percent of natural gas cost.
4	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Meaning? Put that in
5	dollars, if you would.
6	MR. FAISANO: I don't know the dollars.
7	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Okay. This is an
8	operating expense? It's not a it's a capital
9	expense. It's coming out of the capital budget?
10	MR. FAISANO: Capital, yes.
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	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Okay. Thank you.
12	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator Jacobs.
13	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Yes. I just have a
14	very fast question for you. This whatever you
15	call it sludge
16	MR. FAISANO: Digester
17	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: whatever where
18	does Winter Brother dump it? I'm sorry. I'm on
19	the wrong one. Sorry. Posillico, where do they
20	dump it?
21	MR. FAISANO: Posillico will take it to
22	facilities that accept this kind of waste; one is
23	out in Suffolk, one is in Jersey. They'll truck
24	it off-site.
25	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Okay. There are

2 CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator Wink.

LEGISLATOR WINK: Mr. Faisano, do you have any idea right now what percentage of the operations are powered by methane that's collected here?

MR. FAISANO: Yeah. Right now at Bay
Park we're only running the boilers on methane.
There's not enough methane being produced to run
the engines.

LEGISLATOR WINK: Okay.

MR. FAISANO: So right now the engines are being run on natural gas, which is very expensive.

LEGISLATOR WINK: Got ya. And you're confident that with the improvements made here that the methane will be able to run the engines as well?

MR. FAISANO: Yeah. Once we get a good flow through the digesters, we'll increase the methane production. The sphere is in good shape. We'll accept the methane, put it into gas compressors, compress it, and send it over to the engines. As you know, the engines are getting overhauled right now and they're working on the

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be done no matter who is running the plants. So

I believe if we were in the middle of the job the

private company would have to continue the scope

of work that we set forth.

LEGISLATOR WINK: Okay.

MR. FAISANO: That's what I understand has happened. So we're operating as business as usual. And if that happens, it happens. But this needs to be done, so that's why we're doing it.

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator Walker.

I just had LEGISLATOR WINK: I'm sorry. Just that it's ironic one comment to add to it. that it's been 20 years since it's been cleaned Twenty years is the last fiscal crisis out. Nassau County faced. One of my concerns for many years, having been around the county as an aid and as a legislator, is that, you know, Nassau County is repleted with examples of places where necessary maintenance have been deferred to the point where we do have \$13 million projects that might not be needed if every five years the work was being done. It's unfortunate that we deferred a great deal of maintenance for our

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Legislator Schmitt.

I do understand that obviously the efficiency of the units have been compromised. But was any damage done because we did not take care of this for 20 years?

MR. FAISANO: No. We had the super structure already inspected. The tanks themselves and the floating roofs are in good shape, so this is just a matter of cleaning out the debris that is stuck in the bottom of the digesters.

LEGISLATOR WALKER: And in the future if we have it on, say, a rotating basis, even some of them in five years and the others a year later or whatever, should that also lessen the -- obviously lessen the expense per year because you wouldn't be doing them all at one time, because maybe they wouldn't be in bad a shape, it wouldn't be as costly?

MR. FAISANO: Yeah. We'll be paying the price on how much material they'll be removing.

And the other important piece to this is, you know, the engines perform better on methane. So we would also, you know, be doing a good service

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2	to the engines that power the plant if we got
3	back on clean methane. So it's kind of a complex
4	mistake that has gone on too long.
5	LEGISLATOR WALKER: Okay. Thank you.
6	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: B-28.
7	LEGISLATOR DeRIGGI-WHITTON: I just have
8	one more question.
9	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Who's got a question?
10	LEGISLATOR DeRIGGI-WHITTON: I do. I'm
11	sorry.
12	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator DeRiggi-
13	Whitton.
14	LEGISLATOR DeRIGGI-WHITTON: Do you have
15	any idea approximately how much it would cost if
16	we do it every five years?
17	MR. FAISANO: Yeah. It would be one-
18	eighth, a little less but you've got to figure
19	there would be a little less material. It would
20	probably be one-eighth of what we're paying right
21	now.
22	LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: So
23	approximately \$2 million a year?
24	MR. FAISANO: Uhm, hum.
25	LEGISLATOR DeRIGGI-WHITTON: Maybe,

Rules Committee - 7-23-12 around that area?

MR. FAISANO: Right. If we went on a rotate, it would be somewhere in that ballpark, depending on how much material they would remove.

LEGISLATOR DeRIGGI-WHITTON: Do you think that should be a -- has that been discussed at all with United Water, as far as them going forward as having this obligation to pay?

MR. FAISANO: I'm in operations in the plant so I'm not involved really with the discussions of the privatization. I'm, you know, I don't know what's been discussed with them as far as how they would maintain the plant.

LEGISLATOR DeRIGGI-WHITTON: But either way you believe that either United Water should take account for this two million a year or the county should definitely have it in its budget.

MR. FAISANO: If it was me, I would definitely ask for every five years a digester be cleaned.

LEGISLATOR DeRIGGI-WHITTON: And I just had one other question. If I understood you correctly, you've been meeting with this community, like, almost every month regarding

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MR. FAISANO: Yeah. If we don't meet with them we call them on the first of the month, give them a heads up of work that's planned at the plant so they can expect certain days there will be odors. We talk to the school district to see, let's say the kids are going to have a field day, so we don't want to do certain work when the kids are out at lunch or, you know, whatever the case may be. So we communicate on a monthly basis with some of the groups that have asked us to communicate.

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Is it typical, like, should your district be entering into a major construction or a major plan that DPW would meet with the community like every month, if it was a major project?

MR. FAISANO: Yes.

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: And it's pretty much upon the request of the people of the community to hold those meetings?

MR. FAISANO: Yes.

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: All right.

I appreciate that.

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to 300 miscellaneous devices that are

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asking for 2.5 -- each year is its own separate

year. We'd have to come back and get Leg

approval for the additional year.

LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Just correct me if I'm wrong. I'm sorry. I had down five million. If you discuss it at 2.5 million --

MR. SCHNEIDER: Correct.

LEGISLATOR JACOBS: it may not necessarily cost that.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Absolutely correct. It really depends. It's really on an emergency-type basis, on an on-call type basis. As needs arise that are beyond the capabilities of the department to make these repairs and improvements then we would go to the on-call contractor.

LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Is the cushion necessary, as large as this? I'm just asking. I don't know too much about it.

MR. SCHNEIDER: We're going through old history, also. The last requirements contract we spent \$2.1 million over a three year period. It is kind of within the ballpark of what we anticipate, but it's certainly possible that we would not come anywhere near that, depending on

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2	the severity and conditions of the repairs.
3	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: How much of that was
4	actually spent in the 2.1 million?
5	MR. SCHNEIDER: That was what we
6	actually spent.
7	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Oh. That was what
8	you actually spent.
9	MR. SCHNEIDER: Yes. Correct.
10	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Okay. Thank you.
11	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator Kopel.
12	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Thank you, Mr.
13	Chairman.
14	This E&A Restoration, you've got a very
15	vague description, I guess you have to have one,
16	as to what the work will actually be.
17	MR. SCHNEIDER: Yeah. It has to cover
18	just about every and all possible things that
19	could arise at any county building.
20	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: Right. So my
21	question to you is E&A I don't know them at
22	all but they can't possibly have equipment,
23	people, and specialists in everything; nobody
24	does.
25	MR. SCHNEIDER: Correct. They have HVAC

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of specialties there. Why does it make sense -explain this to me, please. Why does it make
sense to use one company that's not a specialist
and just doesn't make them for kind of all work
that might eventuate instead of hiring people who
are specialists in the various fields or
disciplines as you need them?

MR. SCHNEIDER: The County does have some specialists. I'll give you an example; HVAC, we do have staff in facilities management that has expertise in HVAC, but there certainly is a limitation to what they can do, depending upon the severity of the issues that come up. So having the ability to go out and reach out to --

LEGISLATOR KOPEL: But that isn't my question. My question is why designate a company, a single company that, as I said, they can't possibly have expertise in everything; they probably have to sub things out themselves.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Well, they do sub but there is a limit on how much they can sub out themselves.

LEGISLATOR KOPEL: In other words, what is their qualification for this contract over anyone else?

MR. SCHNEIDER: Well, this was a publicly bid contract. E&A did have the requirements contract that expired in 2011.

They've demonstrated a wealth of abilities to do any and all construction based on the need that has arisen.

LEGISLATOR KOPEL: How is it billed to the county?

MR. SCHNEIDER: It's billed as -- I'll give you an example. There is a problem at the Bayville draw bridge or there are expansion joints that may have collapsed or something, we would call them in, they would give us an estimate, we would review that estimate, we would run that estimates passed the CSEA. Obviously, if we can find a way to do that work in-house -- if it's beyond their capabilities, then we would encumber funds from a capital project in order to do that work, and that work would be billed specifically for that particular job.

LEGISLATOR KOPEL: But if we're not

Wouldn't that be right?

MR. SCHNEIDER: Well, they may have staff available to them immediately to come out and do an evaluation. On most cases, on all of the work orders that we've done, they have done the work themselves. So there is a history, a vast history with E&A on the last several requirements contracts where they have done this work themselves.

LEGISLATOR KOPEL: I'm going to vote to let it go through, obviously, but I'd like to hear some more information when you come to the Full Leg as to how this works and how it's more efficient and cheaper than simply going when you have a problem with the Bayville Drawbridge finding the probably several companies that are specialists in that specific issue and letting them do it, going to one or two of those and asking if they can do it. I'm just having difficulty understanding how this works efficiently and more cheaply.

MR. SCHNEIDER: I don't understand what your issue is. If you're going to use the example of the Bayville Bridge --

LEGISLATOR KOPEL: That was your

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All those in favor please signify by

(No verbal response.)

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saying aye.

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2	(Aye.)
3	Any opposed?
4	(No verbal response.)
5	The item carries unanimously.
6	Now we have a series of contracts. E-156
7	between the county attorney and Sinnreich,
8	Kosakoff & Messina, LLP; E-157 between the county
9	attorney and North Shore Court Reporters; E-158
10	between the county attorney and Bee Reporting
11	Agency Stenography Services; and E-163 between
12	the county attorney and AAA Write it Right
13	Transcription Stenography Services.
14	May I have a motion, please?
15	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
16	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
17	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
18	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
19	Ms. Locurto, welcome.
20	MS. LOCURTO: Good afternoon, Presiding
21	Officer. Lisa Locurto, Deputy County Attorney,
22	County Attorney's Office.
23	If it's alright with you, Presiding
24	Officer, the three contracts that are numbered
25	157, Bee Reporting, AAA Write, and North Shore

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2 Reporting are penny contracts. They are simply

3 | to extend the term of the contract and no new

4 | money is being put into the contract. This is

5 | just to extend the term of the contract for

6 | another year. It is for court reporting services

7 | which the county attorney's office needs

8 obviously for depositions or 50H hearings that we

9 do.

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CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Does anybody have any questions on those three contracts?

(No verbal response.)

Okay. Go ahead.

MS. LOCURTO: Okay. E-156 is a special counsel contract with Sinnreich, Kosakoff & Messina. This is an amendment to an existing contract for the affirmative lawsuit that the county has brought against the State, DASNY, and the Empire State Development Corporation to recover monies for the defective design of the Aquatic Center.

Originally, the action was commenced in 2004 and the legislature approved the contract in 2004. There was previous counsel. This is new counsel which was retained in 2010. The

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2	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: So there's no
3	chance in getting back our fees?
4	MS. LOCURTO: No, I don't believe so.
5	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Okay. This firm
6	is just doing the work on a per-hour basis as
7	opposed to a contingency arrangement?
8	MS. LOCURTO: Correct.
9	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Thank you.
10	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Anybody else?
11	(No verbal response.)
12	Any public comment?
13	(No verbal response.)
14	Okay. On E-156 all those in favor please
15	say aye.
16	(Aye.)
17	Any opposed?
18	(No verbal response.)
19	That carries unanimously.
20	And E-157, 158, and 163 on all
21	transcription contracts, all those in favor
22	please say aye.
23	(Aye.)
24	Any opposed?
25	(No verbal response.)

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The items carry unanimously.

There are a series of contracts that are going to -- there's a need for more information to be provided, but because they are E contracts the calendar runs and if they are not acted upon within a certain amount of time they are deemed to be passed. So I'm going to recommend to the committee that we call these various contracts together and table them.

So I'm going to call E-162, E-169, E-166, 167, 168, and 171, and I'll take a motion on those contracts.

LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator

Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.

I'll take a motion to table.

LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.

21 CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator

Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.

All those in favor of tabling --

LEGISLATOR WINK: Question.

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: A motion to table is

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2	undebatable and requires an immediate vote.
3	So we have a motion to table by
4	Legislator Walker, seconded by Legislator
5	Nicolello.
б	All those in favor of tabling please say
7	aye.
8	(Aye.)
9	Any opposed?
10	(Nay.)
11	All three of you?
12	LEGISLATOR WINK: All three of us.
13	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Let the record show
14	that the items are tabled by a vote of four to
15	three.
16	Now we're going to call Item
17	LEGISLATOR DeRIGGI-WHITTON: Can I ask a
18	question or are you not taking questions?
19	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: What's that?
20	LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Why is E-
21	171 being tabled? That's not a continuous
22	contract by any means. That's a new project.
23	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Because that's a
24	contract on construction of a seawall and roadway
25	which has not come to the legislature for

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2	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
3	Go ahead. Identify yourself for the
4	record, please.
5	DEPUTY COMMISSIONER BRODERICK: Deputy
6	Commissioner Paul Broderick, Department of Social
7	Services.
8	The item before you is a contract with
9	Ultimate Process Servers, located in Westbury,
10	New York. They provide process serving for
11	petitions and subpoenas for the department's
12	child support enforcement unit.
13	Do you have any questions?
14	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Questions?
15	(No verbal response.)
16	Any public comment?
17	(No verbal response.)
18	All those in favor please say aye.
19	(Aye.)
20	Any opposed?
21	(No verbal response.)
22	The item carries unanimously.
23	Okay. I'm going to call E-160, E-161,
24	and E-170 together. These are contracts between
25	the Department of Public Works and Lockwood,

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2	(No verbal response.)
3	All those in favor please say aye.
4	(Aye.)
5	Any opposed?
6	(No verbal response.)
7	The item carries unanimously.
8	We have a contract, E-164, which is
9	between the Department between the Office of
10	Emergency Management and the Nassau County
11	Vocational Education and Extension Board, VEEB.
12	Yes, sir.
13	First we need a motion.
14	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
15	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
16	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
17	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
18	Yes, sir. Identify yourself for the
19	record, please.
20	MR. DELANEY: Thomas Delaney, Nassau
21	County OEM.
22	This is an amendment to add \$60,000 to an
23	existing contract we have with VEEB to provide
24	firefighter training. It's much needed. Our
25	fire department would be very grateful if we can

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2	provide this. This is 100 percent grant funded
3	through our Homeland Security Grand Funds.
4	Specifically, we're going to be providing
5	training associated with the national excuse
6	me it's National Institute of It's NIMS
7	compliance training, is what it's called. It's
8	specific training that is approved by homeland
9	security.
10	Any questions?
11	(No verbal response.)
12	Any public comment?
13	(No verbal response.)
14	All those in favor please say aye.
15	(Aye.)
16	Any opposed?
17	(No verbal response.)
18	The item carries unanimously.
19	E-165 is between the Office of Management
20	and Budget and Camp Dresser & McKee.
21	Motion, please?
22	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
23	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
24	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
25	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.

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2	Who is here to discuss this?
3	MR. CONKLIN: Steve Conklin for the
4	Budget Office.
5	MS. D'ALEVA: Roseanne D'Aleva from the
6	Budget Office.
7	This is a penny contract to extend time.
8	So there is no additional funding.
9	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Does anybody have any
10	questions?
11	LEGISLATOR WINK: Yeah, I have a
12	question.
13	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator Wink.
14	LEGISLATOR WINK: So how's the toilet
15	tax coming? If I'm not mistaken, this is the
16	contract that's responsible for trying to come up
17	with some sort of conversion to a use system as
18	opposed to an assessed value system.
19	MS. D'ALEVA: Yes, that is correct.
20	LEGISLATOR WINK: How's that coming
21	along?
22	MS. D'ALEVA: It's approximately, I
23	would say, 70 percent done.
24	LEGISLATOR WINK: Seventy percent done?
25	MS. D'ALEVA: Hum, hum. We're currently

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2	working on the storm water portion of the
3	contract.
4	LEGISLATOR WINK: Storm water?
5	MS. D'ALEVA: Yes.
6	LEGISLATOR WINK: Okay. And the bases
7	of the use system is based on water district
8	numbers as opposed to sewer numbers.
9	MS. D'ALEVA: Yes.
10	LEGISLATOR WINK: Okay. As an exact
11	science as that may be, that's the basis we're
12	using.
13	MS. D'ALEVA: Yes. Current use, yes.
14	LEGISLATOR WINK: Thanks.
15	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: The current use of
16	the water? Is that what we're basing it on, the
17	current use of the water?
18	MS. D'ALEVA: Yes.
19	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: That would include
20	the people who put on their lawn sprinklers?
21	MS. D'ALEVA: No. There is
22	accountability for water use, in terms of
23	irrigation.
24	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Thank you.
25	Okay. Any other questions?

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2	(No verbal response.)
3	Any public comment?
4	(No verbal response.)
5	All those in favor please say aye.
6	(Aye.)
7	Any opposed?
8	(No verbal response.)
9	The item carries unanimously.
10	E-172 and E-173, contract between Parks
11	and Belvedere Property Management, and a contract
12	between Parks and Laura Dremel Garbatow.
13	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
14	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
15	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
16	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
17	Good afternoon.
18	MR. KELLY: Good afternoon. Michael
19	Kelly, Acting Director, Nassau County Department
20	of Public Works, Division of Real Estate
21	Services. E-172 is a use and occupancy permit
22	between the county and Belvedere Property
23	Management, LLC, and this is for the Tiffany
24	House in the Tiffany Creek Preserve. The fee
25	will be \$3,750 per month, plus utilities, which

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2	would become their responsibility, landscaping
3	and general maintenance will also be performed by
4	the permittee.
5	E-173-12, between the County and Laura
6	Dremel Garbatow. This is for the Smithers House
7	in Mill Neck. The fee will be \$3500 plus
8	utilities.
9	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Any questions?
10	(No verbal response.)
11	Any public comment?
12	(No verbal response.)
13	All those in favor please say aye.
14	(Aye.)
15	Any opposed?
16	(No verbal response.)
17	The item carries unanimously.
18	We have a request to un-table E-112,
19	which is an agreement between the County of
20	Nassau, Department of Information Technology and
21	Icon Enterprises, doing business as Civic Plus.
22	May I have a motion to un-table, please?
23	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
24	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
25	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator

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2	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
3	All those in favor of un-tabling please
4	say aye.
5	(Aye.)
6	Any opposed?
7	(No verbal response.)
8	The item is un-tabled.
9	Is Judge Marks here?
10	MR. EISENSTEIN: Good afternoon,
11	Legislature. Ed Eisenstein, IT.
12	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Could you identify
13	yourself, both, for the record?
14	JUDGE MARKS: Judge Marks, Executive
15	Director, TPVA.
16	MR. EISENSTEIN: Ed Eisenstein,
17	Commissioner of IT.
18	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Okay. Go ahead.
19	Tell us what this is about and why we need it
20	today.
21	MR. EISENSTEIN: Absolutely. This is
22	the online payment system that replaces the
23	existing online payment system. The reason Judge
24	Marks is here is he utilizes the online payment
25	system for the parking tickets. Currently, there

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are about 50 or so people a day using the online

parking system --

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Wait a minute. Let

Judge Marks talk about the operation of the

Traffic and Parking Violations Bureau. You talk

to us about the operation of Information

Technology and why do we need this.

really TPVA specific. We use it. It's a web tool that could be used by all county agencies. The current vendor we used is E-GOV. That certificate expired. We have been unable to collect any monies since Friday. If this -- if the Icon contract had been available, we would not have this. The reason Mr. Eisenstein is here, in all due respect, is I'm computer probably up to Abacus 101, and Mr. Eisenstein can explain better the computer part of it. I'm interested in what happens to our money.

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: So what does this

Icon do for the -- you're telling me it's not

TPVA specific. I was given to the idea that it

was TPVA specific and it was of an emergency

nature because you couldn't collect fines, is

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traffic and other things online, using the same

tool. But right now we're just looking to patch

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for it. It's going to be used for online payment systems. It replaces the existing IBM system that's 188,000. That was the maintenance fee we were paying to IBM to maintain the current payment system.

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: And what are we going to pay on this one?

MR. EISENSTEIN: 95,000. It's a onetime fee with about a 20 percent maintenance fee a year.

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Twenty percent increase a year?

patching that up with the vendor as we speak.

MR. EISENSTEIN: We're working on

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LEGISLATOR WINK: Yeah. I have a quick

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Thank you very much. I appreciate it.

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2	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Any other questions?
3	LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I just have
4	one quick question.
5	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator DeRiggi-
6	Whitton.
7	LEGISLATOR DeRIGGI-WHITTON: Just so I
8	understand. The fee that you were paying for
9	these transactions to be processed with the old
10	system is the same as the new system?
11	MR. EISENSTEIN: The merchant in the
12	background will be unchanged, correct.
13	LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: So we pay
14	per payment, basically?
15	MR. RICH: Are you talking about the
16	credit card convenience fee?
17	LEGISLATOR DeRIGGI-WHITTON: When you're
18	paying the company to process this, it's done per
19	payment that you receive.
20	MR. RICH: Per ticket. Per transaction.
21	LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: So is the
22	payment that we're paying this new company the
23	same as the payment that we were paying the old
24	company?
25	MR. EISENSTEIN: This is just the

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2	software system. The credit card merchant stays
3	unchanged. This is just the software to allow
4	you to pay your ticket online.
5	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Any other questions?
6	(No verbal response.)
7	Any public comment?
8	(No verbal response.)
9	All those in favor please say aye.
10	(Aye.)
11	Any opposed?
12	(No verbal response.)
13	The item carries unanimously.
14	There being no further contracts to come
15	in front of the Rules Committee, I'm going to put
16	the committee into recess.
17	LEGISLATOR DeRIGGI-WHITTON: Presiding
18	Officer Schmitt, can I make a statement just very
19	quickly?
20	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: I'm sorry?
21	LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I'd like to
22	make a statement on something that was tabled
23	today, which I'm very concerned about.
24	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Oh, sure. Go right
25	ahead.

LEGISLATOR DeRIGGI-WHITTON: As you know, I represent the West Shore Road area in Bayville, and the fact that this contract was tabled with a discussion as to whether or not owns Shore Road is just baffling to me. This has been going on for over ten years. There have been numerous meetings, conferences, everything else. This issue has never been brought to anyone's attention.

I have received copies of the signed contracts. It's already been approved by the budget in 09. It's deemed an emergency, because I have witnessed it myself. This road is extremely overdue for repair. Mr. Schmitt, if you don't mind, while I just address you?

The bottom line is --

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: I thought you were making a statement for the record.

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Well why don't you talk to me privately?

LEGISLATOR DeRIGGI-WHITTON: I'm talking to you as well because I would like to request --

bottom of the road is completely gone. I don't

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It's not a joke. It's a real, serious matter where people might get hurt. And I'm putting it on record right now that I am just totally dismayed at this. And I'm very concerned that the county would know of a serious possible health condition where if people can really get hurt and we're tabling it for an issue that I think is so unrelated and unheard of. There is no way we would have had all these meetings and all these contracts, and DPW would have been working on it for ten years. You should see the project. The drawings are, like, I think they're 100 pages long, at least.

We've had everyone involved from the environmental groups to the Army Corps of Engineers. It's already been discussed. There is now way that this can be an issue. And I am totally concerned and putting on record that I think what we're doing is negligent.

LEGISLATOR JACOBS: I represent Oyster
Bay. I don't know if most people know what this
Shore Road is. But, quite honestly, it connects
the Oyster Bay part of the Town of Oyster Bay to
Bayville, which is also part of the Town of

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And boaters have told us that when you're passing

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19 20 it's not our responsibility or certainly move in

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CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator Jacobs, I

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LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I just want to answer you also. I have met not only with all the mayors in this area, I have been down there myself with all the mayors also. It's very

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that there is no bottom, there is no pinning to
this road. And every time a car goes by, you do
see a compromise.

I've had meetings with Public Works. We're all set to go. That's all they've been telling me, is that this is deemed an emergency. The contracts have already been signed; I have copies of them here. It's already in the budget. Rose Walker -- I would also really hope, this affects your area as well. I really think that you should really be involved with this as well, Rose, because this is right around your area as well. I just hate to hear when this happens, with a car, with a family, or anything else on it, when this collapses it's really going to be something that is going to make us look terrible. To be honest, if this is being delayed for absolutely no reason, I think you should be held personally responsible for this because I don't see one reason why this should be delayed. (Whereupon, the Rules Committee recessed

at 2:02 p.m.)

(Whereupon, the Rules Committee

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2	reconvened at 4:23 p.m.)
3	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Rules Committee is
4	back in session.
5	We're going to call some items in bulk
6	which have been agreed to by the minority.
7	Having been heard in the other committees, it's
8	been deemed no necessity for further debate or
9	discussion. They are Clerk Items Number 463,
10	479, 480, 481, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489,
11	490, 491, 493, 494, 498, 499, 500, 502, 503, 504,
12	may I have a motion, please?
13	LEGISLATOR WINK: I'm sorry. Mr.
14	Chairman, could you repeat that?
15	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Certainly.
16	Everything I said.
17	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
18	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
19	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
20	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
21	Any public comment?
22	(No verbal response.)
23	All those in favor please say aye.
24	(Aye.)
25	Any opposed?

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2	(No verbal response.)
3	Those item carry unanimously.
4	Now we go to Item Number 501, which is a
5	resolution to accept a gift offered by a donor to
6	the Nassau County Veteran's Service Agency.
7	May I have a motion, please?
8	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
9	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
10	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
11	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
12	Is there anybody here to speak on this?
13	If not, I can tell everybody that it is the
14	donation of a van, a van being donated to the
15	American Legion and they're going to donate it to
16	the Veteran's Service Agency for the purposes of
17	obviously ferrying veterans back and forth to the
18	Veteran's Hospital and other places.
19	Any questions on this?
20	(No verbal response.)
21	Any public comment?
22	(No verbal response.)
23	All those in favor please say aye.
24	(Aye.)
25	The item carries unanimously.

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2	Now I think we need to suspend the rules.
3	I'll take a motion to suspend the rules.
4	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
5	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
6	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
7	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
8	All those in favor of suspending the
9	rules please say aye.
10	(Aye.)
11	Any opposed?
12	(No verbal response.)
13	The rules are suspended.
14	Now we have 492, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510,
15	511, 512, 533, 534, and 535. May I have a
16	motion, please?
17	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
18	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
19	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
20	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
21	Any public comment?
22	(No verbal response.)
23	All those in favor please say aye.
24	(Aye.)
25	Any opposed?

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2	(No verbal response.)
3	The items carry unanimously.
4	Now we go to Item Number 513, a
5	resolution authorizing the treasurer of Nassau
6	County to assign a certain tax lien certificate
7	in connection with premises located in the Town
8	of Oyster Bay, School District Number 15.
9	May I have a motion, please?
10	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
11	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
12	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
13	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
14	Anybody to speak on this?
15	Does anybody have any questions on this?
16	(No verbal response.)
17	Any public comment?
18	(No verbal response.)
19	All those in favor please say aye.
20	(Aye.)
21	Any opposed?
22	(No verbal response.)
23	Item is carried unanimously.
24	Item 518 is a resolution appointing
25	Beaumont Jefferson as a member of the Nassau

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2	County Deferred Compensation Board.	
3	Motion, please?	
4	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.	
5	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.	
6	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator	
7	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.	
8	Any debate or discussion on Mr.	
9	Jefferson?	
10	(No verbal response.)	
11	Any public comment?	
12	(No verbal response.)	
13	All those in favor please signify by	
14	saying aye.	
15	(Aye.)	
16	Any opposed?	
17	(No verbal response.)	
18	The item carries unanimously.	
19	Item 519 is a resolution appointing	
20	Sergio Blanco as a non-voting member of the	
21	Nassau County Deferred Compensation Board.	
22	That's a recommendation of Comptroller Maragos.	
23	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.	
24	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.	
25	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator	

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2	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
3	Any debate or discussion on Mr. Blanco?
4	(No verbal response.)
5	Any public comment?
6	(No verbal response.)
7	All those in favor please say aye.
8	(Aye.)
9	Any opposed?
10	(No verbal response.)
11	The item carries unanimously.
12	520, a resolution to confirm the county
13	executive's of Paul Meli as a member of the
14	Advisory Council for Senior Citizen Affairs.
15	May I have a motion, please?
16	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
17	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
18	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
19	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
20	Any debate or discussion on Mr. Meli?
21	(No verbal response.)
22	Any public comment?
23	(No verbal response.)
24	All those in favor please say aye.
25	(Aye.)

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2	Any opposed?
3	(No verbal response.)
4	The item carries unanimously.
5	Item 528 is a resolution authorizing the
6	county executive to execute and submit a grant
7	application with the New York State Department of
8	State Division of Local Government Services for
9	funding under the Local Government Performance
10	and Efficiency Program.
11	May I have a motion, please?
12	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
13	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
14	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
15	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
16	Is there anybody here to speak on this?
17	There is. Could you take ten seconds and just
18	tell us what this is?
19	MR. FINER: Steve Finer. I'm with the
20	Office of Management and Budget, Director of
21	Grants Management.
22	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Director of what?
23	MR. FINER: Grants Management.
24	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Oh, I'm sorry. Go
25	ahead.

MR. FINER: I would suggest that we talk about 528, 529, and 530. They are substantially similar.

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: All right. Let's start with 528, since that's what's in front of us.

MR. FINER: 528 is the Local Government
Performance Efficiency Grant is issued by New
York State, Secretary of State. It's part of a
program that's gone on for a number of years,
issuing grants to help make local government more
efficient. Almost all grants up till now have
been to fund projects that will help consolidate
government, shared services, etcetera.

This particular grant is unique in that it is not to fund a project, it is rather to reward a municipality, such as the county, for saving money. So the award here is not the money -- the money that we will receive is not going to be applied to the project that's listed here; rather, we are submitting this project as demonstration of how much money we have saved taxpayers. If the state -- if we win award here, it will be because of the money that we saved.

2 MR. FINER:

MR. FINER: I don't think so.

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: What I'm going to ask you is would you report back to us and let the Minority Leader and myself know what the final outcome of this is, if we either receive something or we didn't?

MR. FINER: Of course. Yes. And if we do receive something, of course it will come before the legislature as a supplemental appropriation. But I will let you know as soon as we hear.

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Anybody have any questions on 528?

LEGISLATOR WINK: Yeah, I do.

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator Wink.

LEGISLATOR WINK: Sir, is there an application that's about to be filed or has been filed?

MR. FINER: Yes. Again, the reason I'm here is because the teams are working on them right now. The application needs to be submitted by four o'clock on Wednesday, and I expect them certainly to be finished by tomorrow and overnight FedExed. At that time we will then

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2	affix the applications to the requests for local
3	authorizing resolution, and they should be part
4	of the package, when this package and two others
5	ones the sheriff and real estate go before
6	the Leg on August 6.
7	LEGISLATOR WINK: Okay. Is it possible
8	to get a copy of that application sent over to
9	the Minority Leader's office so that we can see
10	it?
11	MR. FINER: Sure. You mean this
12	particular one, the police application?
13	LEGISLATOR WINK: All three of them, I
14	think.
15	MR. FINER: Yeah, sure.
16	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: And send them to my
17	office as well.
18	LEGISLATOR WINK: Right.
19	MR. FINER: Send them to Mr. Schmitt's
20	office?
21	LEGISLATOR WINK: And to the Minority
22	Leader. If you could send a copy to each, if
23	that's okay.
24	MR. FINER: Okay.
25	LEGISLATOR WINK: What are the savings

come up this year?

LEGISLATOR WINK: I would refer you to

believe his numbers is consistent with last

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year's spending.

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MR. NAUGHTON: You're comparing it to the adopted budget, which was set at a low rate. Compared to how much money they spent last year, they spent 48 million last year, and they will spend 48 million again this year, if not less.

actually closer to 30 million over budget.

LEGISLATOR WINK: In other words, the fact that you under budgeted it in the 2012 budget is not the problem; it's actually year-toyear accurate, is what you're saying?

MR. NAUGHTON: Correct.

LEGISLATOR WINK: So the fact that they under budgeted by \$30 million for 2012 is not a problem.

MR. NAUGHTON: No, it's not. We are addressing those issues. We have enough funding within each fund to address those issues. Money was set aside in the contingency to handle such a shortfall in police overtime.

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2	LEGISLATOR WINK: Contingency, as I
3	recall, is 13.4 million in the district fund,
4	right, and 10.1 million in the headquarters fund?
5	MR. NAUGHTON: The two police funds
6	together is roughly about \$20 million
7	LEGISLATOR WINK: And now we have 30
8	million designated
9	MR. NAUGHTON: You have to check with
10	Mr. Chalmers to see if he has updated his
11	projection at all.
12	LEGISLATOR WINK: I plan on doing that.
13	Of that \$29.6 million that we're over
14	budget, how much of that is attributable to the
15	precinct closures?
16	MR. NAUGHTON: Zero.
17	LEGISLATOR WINK: None of it. Okay. So
18	then all of it should have been predictable.
19	MR. NAUGHTON: Again, we spent 48 last
20	year; we'll spend 48 this year.
21	LEGISLATOR WINK: We'll see about that.
22	Thank you, Mr. Naughton.
23	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Any other questions
24	on the item, 528?
25	LEGISLATOR WINK: I have questions for

the police. We spoke with Deputy Chief Krumpter

MR. CHALMERS: We'd have to go back to

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2 and he had a whole bunch of ideas, but we haven't

3 | seen the results yet. Most of the overtime

4 | happens over the summertime, so we will be

5 | looking at it closely to see if we do see a

6 decrease, at which point we will adjust our

projections. As of right now, we see it as \$51

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LEGISLATOR WINK: So you factored in the fact that we're in the summer now and that your estimates of \$29.6 million are based upon what you're seeing in the summer, in terms of overtime. Is that right?

MR. CHALMERS: Correct.

LEGISLATOR WINK: Okay. Have you -have you -- I asked MR. Naughton how much of the
overtime numbers seem to be attributable to the
precinct closures, and he indicated none. Do you
concur with that?

MR. CHALMERS: We do it at -- not at a precinct level. We do it for the whole county. We'll have to break it down by the precinct and see it at that level. But this is not something that we would do as part of a normal projection.

LEGISLATOR WINK: Do you have an

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consolidation?

MR. CHALMERS: We could request the data entry break it down at that level.

LEGISLATOR WINK: I'd appreciate it if you would do that. That's great. Thank you.

> CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator Nicolello.

LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: With respect -if we are successful with the grant monies -- if we are successful with the grant monies, where would that money go to? Would it have to stay within the specific discipline that you're talking about, in this case the police department?

MR. FINER: No. As a general rule, this is one of the most unusual situations that you'll ever see with grants, in that the use of the money, in a sense, is unrestricted. We can take this money and use it as we wish. However, the state naturally would like us to see -- like us to continue to devote resources to decreasing costs. So I think in their applications, I know the police department has indicated that there

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further recurring savings.

are further savings that could be realized by some investment, in terms of working on the community precincts or actual precincts. There is additional work that they can do with the money that they receive that will result in

LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: So if we are successful, we have state monies coming into the county will relieves the tax burden a little bit on Nassau County's taxpayers.

MR. FINER: That's the goal. The whole goal of this program, the very, very specific goal is to reduce the burden of property tax owners. So the degree to which you can prove that you have reduced that burden -- and they have a formulate actually for demonstrating that -- is the degree of how much money you will get. You also get some bonus points if you direct the money that you receive to further reduce the cost of government and create efficiencies.

LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: What are the chances of success if somebody sends up a transcript with the members of the legislature being hostile to the applications?

LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: I would care because to the extent that we can get grant monies into the county, it helps to alleviate the tax burden. Apparently, you don't care --

LEGISLATOR WINK: And if it's based on facts, then so be it. I have no problem getting revenues for this county. The fact of the matter is, though, if it's on half truths, then I think Albany is going to have the same skeptism I'm showing.

LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: So then you are opposed to bringing in grant monies to the county.

LEGISLATOR WINK: No. I'm not.

LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: We've reached a point where even the common, ordinary running of business is under attack in this county. You look at the borrowing for tax refunds went on for year. Now we're attacking grant applications.

I know you don't want this administration to succeed, but at some point we've got to do the people's business. I think this is just pure obstruction.

LEGISLATOR WINK: No one is attacking

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2	grant applications. We're simply asking the
3	basis by which the applications are being made.
4	At the end of the day, I know for myself I am
5	voting in favor of this application. But I am
6	hoping it is based on real numbers and not on the
7	press releases that come out of the second floor
8	of this building.
9	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: So he's for it.
10	Before he was against it.
11	LEGISLATOR WINK: I've never been
12	against it.
13	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Okay. Anybody else
14	on 528 or can we move forward?
15	(No verbal response.)
16	Good. Any public comment?
17	(No verbal response.)
18	All those in favor please say aye.
19	(Aye.)
20	Any opposed?
21	(No verbal response.)
22	The item carries unanimously.
23	529 is an application for a grant between
24	the County and 529 and 530 are both the same.
25	We'll call them both.

A resolution authorizing the county
executive to execute and submit a grant
application with the New York State Department of
State Division of Local Government Services for
funding under the Local Government Performance
and Efficiency Program.

Okay. 529.

MR. FINER: The basic facts of the grant are the same. Again, the award would be based on our demonstrating to the state -- by the way, on each one of these projects they had to have been started after January 1, 2010, and they must be completed at the time of application, and the third requirement is that we must be able to clearly demonstrate the savings that we claim that we've achieved.

This second one is for the --

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Could you say that again? You have to be able to demonstrate that you clearly?

MR. FINER: We have to be able to demonstrate to the state that whatever savings we've claimed, based on our calculations, that we've achieved, we have to demonstrate that they

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2	are real numbers.
3	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Very good.
4	Okay.
5	MR. FINER: The second project is the
6	Veolia public/private partnership.
7	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Hold on a second. We
8	need a motion on these two items.
9	LEGISLATOR KOPEL: So moved.
10	LEGISLATOR WALKER: Second.
11	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
12	Kopel, seconded by Legislator Walker.
13	I'm sorry. Continue.
14	MR. FINER: Again, the second one is
15	being prepared by real estate and it is for our
16	efforts at the public/private partnership. Now,
17	this is not the ongoing Veolia effort. Really it
18	was the establishment of the public/private
19	partnership, and when that was established there
20	were certain savings that were realized. There
21	will be further savings going down the road.
22	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: This has to do with
23	the operation of the bus system. Correct?
24	MR. FINER: Yes. It had to
25	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: And 530 has to do

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2	with
3	MR. FINER: The actual achievement here
4	was setting up the public/private partnership.
5	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: I'm aware of that.
6	529 has to do with the operation of the bus
7	system.
8	MR. FINER: Yes.
9	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: What does 530 have to
10	do with?
11	MR. FINER: 530 is the privatization,
12	it's the sheriff's department. It's the
13	privatization of health care services
14	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Okay.
15	MR. FINER: for the inmates.
16	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Okay. Any questions
17	on 529 or 530?
18	(No verbal response.)
19	Any public comment?
20	(No verbal response.)
21	All those in favor please say aye.
22	(Aye.)
23	Any opposed?
24	(No verbal response.)
25	The items carry unanimously.

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2	Good luck with those.
3	MR. FINER: Thank you.
4	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Item Number 531 is a
5	resolution to appoint Daniel J. McCloy as
6	Director of the Nassau County Tobacco Settlement
7	Corporation. Dan McCloy took a day off from
8	work.
9	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
10	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
11	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
12	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
13	Any debate or discussion?
14	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: I'd like to say
15	something.
16	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator Jacobs.
17	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: I couldn't think of
18	a finer choice for appointment. He seems so
19	thrilled about it also, that it makes it even
20	more agreeable to me to do this.
21	I just was wondering, do we know who else
22	is on this?
23	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Beaumont Jefferson
24	and Dan.
25	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: So Mike Jefferson is

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2	please say aye.
3	(Aye.)
4	Any opposed?
5	(No verbal response.)
6	The item is amended.
7	LEGISLATOR WINK: Mr. Chairman, can I
8	ask a point of order?
9	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Point of order.
10	LEGISLATOR WINK: Were these items
11	25, 39, were they on the Finance Committee
12	addendum?
13	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: No.
14	LEGISLATOR WINK: They were not?
15	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: I decided not to put
16	them there. If you read the Charter, you'll find
17	that's within the purview of the Presiding
18	Officer.
19	LEGISLATOR WINK: I know you could raise
20	fees all you want, but that's not the
21	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: So it's not a point
22	of order. You're out of order.
23	LEGISLATOR WINK: my question. My
24	question is were they on the addendum for the
25	Finance Committee.

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2	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: And the answer is no,
3	they were not because I didn't put them there.
4	LEGISLATOR WINK: Good for you.
5	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Okay. Item Number
6	25-12, as amended.
7	Any questions?
8	(No verbal response.)
9	All those
10	LEGISLATOR WINK: I'd
11	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: I'd like to know
12	what it's for. I'd like to know how much the
13	increase is and how much money is anticipated it
14	will bring in.
15	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Okay.
16	MS. D'ALLEVA: Hi. Roseann D'Alleva
17	from Office of Management and Budget.
18	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: There you go.
19	MS. D'ALLEVA: The Department of
20	Purchasing is not here, so I'll be happy to
21	answer your questions.
22	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Roseann, I think
23	we're talking about 524
24	MS. D'ALLEVA: 525-12.
25	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: 525, sorry. And

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2	registering and bidding. But if they are not
3	registered, they cannot bid. That's my
4	understanding, the way it was presented to me,
5	anyway. But we'll have them here.
6	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: So then that follows
7	with a different question. The \$100 is an annual
8	fee for them?
9	MS. D'ALLEVA: Yes.
10	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Or for every bid
11	that they make?
12	MS. D'ALLEVA: It's an annual fee.
13	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Annual fee. Okay.
14	Thank you.
15	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Anything else?
16	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: No. I mean not from
17	me.
18	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Okay. Any public
19	comment?
20	(No verbal response.)
21	All those in favor of putting this in
22	front of the Full Legislature, please say aye.
23	(Aye.)
24	Any opposed?
25	(No verbal response.)

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2	The item carries. It goes to the Full
3	Leg.
4	Item Number 39 is an ordinance
5	constituting the Nassau County Fire Prevention
6	Ordinance and making certain determinations.
7	Motion, please?
8	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
9	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
10	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
11	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
12	How are you, sir? Please identify
13	yourself for the record.
14	MR. WELT: Carey Welt, Office of Fire
15	Marshal.
16	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: And would you tell us
17	about this?
18	MR. WELT: Yes. The fees that are
19	before you were last raised in 2007. The fees
20	are specifically for fire alarm permits. The
21	fire alarm permit is a three-year permit. The
22	permit fee is going up \$25, which would be
23	equivalent to about \$8 per year. We do about
24	16,000 permits a year, and that equates to about
25	\$390,000 in revenue.

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2	The emergency light tests again were last
3	raised in 2007. It's a 25 percent increase in
4	that fee. In 2011 we brought in approximately a
5	little over 1.1 million, so that would be an
6	increase of about 300,000, which would be about
7	\$680,000 total in revenue increase.
8	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Any questions?
9	LEGISLATOR WINK: Yeah. I have a quick
10	question.
11	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator Wink.
12	LEGISLATOR WINK: With respect to these
13	fees, Mr. Welt, are they dedicated for the fire
14	budget, the I'm sorry, I'm blanking the
15	fire prevention budget as opposed to the general
16	fund?
17	MR. WELT: All of our fees do go to the
18	general fund.
19	LEGISLATOR WINK: They go to the general
20	fund.
21	MR. WELT: Yes.
22	LEGISLATOR WINK: So they're not
23	benefitting the budget lines that deal with fire
24	marshal and stuff like that.
25	MR. WELT: The benefit is indirect.

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2	LEGISLATOR WINK: Indirect, at best.
3	Okay. Thank you.
4	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Any other questions?
5	(No verbal response.)
6	Any public comment?
7	(No verbal response.)
8	All those in favor please say aye.
9	(Aye.)
10	Any opposed?
11	(No verbal response.)
12	It moves on to the Full Legislature.
13	MR. WELT: Thank you.
14	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Thank you.
15	Item 521
16	MR. NAUGHTON: I'm sorry. Legislator
17	Schmitt, can I just correct the record?
18	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: I'm sorry?
19	MR. NAUGHTON: The fire marshal fees are
20	included in the fire fund.
21	LEGISLATOR WINK: So they're dedicated
22	to the fire fund?
23	MR. NAUGHTON: Yes.
24	LEGISLATOR WINK: Okay.
25	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Okay. Thank you for

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CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator

Second.

LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO:

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2	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Very happy for you.
3	Let me ask you this.
4	She just became a mommy again.
5	MS. FOX: My little Nicholas.
6	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Congratulations. And
7	you're back here already.
8	MS. FOX: I'm back.
9	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Now I've got to ask,
10	a boy or girl?
11	MS. FOX: A little boy. Nicholas James.
12	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Congratulations.
13	MS. FOX: Thank you so much. Thank you.
14	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Let me ask you this.
15	You're increasing \$50 more from? What's the
16	initial fee? I'm sorry.
17	MS. FOX: That was for the application
18	fee. It had been \$150 and now it will be \$200 to
19	apply for the permit, and for the renewal for
20	commercial premises.
21	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: \$200 to apply for
22	the permit.
23	MS. FOX: Yes.
24	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Is there an annual
25	fee for them?

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2	MS. FOX: When they have to renew it.
3	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: And that would be
4	another \$200?
5	MS. FOX: Another 200, yes.
6	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: For residential
7	also?
8	MS. FOX: Residential, there are fees
9	but they are \$100.
10	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: \$200 for a homeowner
11	to
12	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: No, commercial.
13	MS. FOX: Commercial.
14	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Two hundred is
15	commercial.
16	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Okay.
17	MS. FOX: One hundred for a homeowner.
18	Two hundred for commercial.
19	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Okay. And both of
20	those would be repeated at that point, right?
21	MS. FOX: Yes.
22	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: In other words, when
23	it comes up to renewal, both of those would be
24	expected to pay 100 and the 200.
25	MS. FOX: Correct.

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2	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Okay. And the two
3	warnings again?
4	MS. FOX: You do not incur a fine the
5	first and second false alarm. Upon the third is
6	when you will incur your first fine. It had been
7	upon your fourth. I'm sorry. Upon your fifth.
8	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Okay. Thank you.
9	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Mr. Nicolello.
10	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: I just wanted to
11	make clear that the residential permit fee is not
12	going up.
13	MS. FOX: It is not.
14	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Right. Thank
15	you.
16	MS. FOX: Thank you.
17	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Any other questions?
18	(No verbal response.)
19	Any public comment?
20	(No verbal response.)
21	All those in favor please say aye.
22	(Aye.)
23	Item Number 522 is a local law to amend
24	Section 21-22.4 of the Nassau County
25	Administrative Code in relation to the fees

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2	charged for the registration of automated teller
3	machines.
4	May I have a motion, please?
5	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
6	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
7	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
8	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
9	Who is here to talk about automated
10	teller machines?
11	MR. HANO: Ken Hano, Nassau County
12	Consumer Affairs.
13	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Hi.
14	MR. HANO: How are you?
15	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Wonderful. Tell us
16	about this, please.
17	MR. HANO: Okay. What this law will do
18	is increase the fines. Currently, right now to
19	register your ATM machine it's \$100 and that
20	renewal is \$50. This will increase it to \$150
21	for a new ATM and \$100 for a renewal.
22	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Now, when you talk
23	about these are the machines that you see in
24	delis and stationery stores.
25	MR. HANO: Correct. All non-bank

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2	facility ATM machines. So the ones in local
3	retail merchant stores.
4	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Are they supposed to
5	have a sticker on them or something to
6	MR. HANO: They're supposed to be
7	registered with our office. The law was passed
8	in 2005. We are out there enforcing the law.
9	There are a lot of ATMs out there, and we're
10	catching them all every day.
11	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Any other questions?
12	(No verbal response.)
13	Any public comment?
14	I'm sorry. Legislator Walker.
15	LEGISLATOR WALKER: I just have a quick
16	question. So there's a little sticker or
17	something on it? If we notice any if we go to
18	any I usually try to go to my own bank because
19	I don't want to even pay a dollar extra than I
20	have to. If you're in a store or whatever,
21	there's a little county sticker on it?
22	MR. HANO: Right. The sticker is
23	supposed to be in plain view. If you are staring
24	at the automated teller machine, you're supposed
25	to be able to see it. It's supposed to be either

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2	below or above the screen. It has the County
3	seal on it. This year the color is orange.
4	Every year we change the color on it.
5	I know one of the biggest corporations
6	that we just got on was Dunkin' Donuts, their ATM
7	machines.
8	LEGISLATOR WALKER: Thank you.
9	MR. HANO: You're welcome.
10	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Any other questions?
11	(No verbal response.)
12	Any public comment?
13	(No verbal response.)
14	All those in favor please say aye.
15	(Aye.)
16	Any opposed?
17	(No verbal response.)
18	The item moves on.
19	Item Number 523 is a local law to amend
20	Section 21-11 of the Administrative Code in
21	relation to the fees charged in connection with
22	licenses to operate home improvement businesses.
23	Come on back.
24	May I have a motion, please?
25	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

of these people do do home improvements --

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2	MR. HANO: Right.
3	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: or electrical, or
4	plumbing, or whatever, very often have to apply
5	all over the county many times, if there are
6	villages, towns, etcetera. But the county is the
7	overriding one, right?
8	MR. HANO: That's correct, for
9	contractors. Electricians and plumbers are
10	licensed by the townships.
11	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: And that's annual,
12	correct?
13	MR. HANO: For the plumbers and
14	electricians or for our office?
15	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: For this. For what
16	we're working on right now.
17	MR. HANO: For this it's every two
18	years.
19	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Every two years.
20	MR. HANO: If they get a license this
21	year, their renewal will be in 2014.
22	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Okay. Thank you.
23	MR. HANO: You're welcome.
24	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Anybody else?
25	LEGISLATOR WINK: Yeah, I have a quick

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2	question.
3	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator Wink.
4	LEGISLATOR WINK: I would like to ask
5	Mr. Chalmers to come up again.
6	Have you had an opportunity to review the
7	various items that have been on the seconded
8	addendum for the Rules Committee, all these items
9	with respect to fee increases?
10	MR. CHALMERS: No. A lot of them are
11	local laws, so we will be doing a fiscal impact
12	statement on them.
13	LEGISLATOR WINK: But you haven't had a
14	chance to review them yet?
15	MR. CHALMERS: Not yet.
16	LEGISLATOR WINK: So in the fiscal
17	impact you're going to give us a reasonable
18	estimate of how much revenue these various fees
19	are going to raise?
20	MR. CHALMERS: That will be included,
21	yes.
22	LEGISLATOR WINK: Okay. I look forward
23	to that. Thank you.
24	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Any other questions?
25	(No verbal response.)

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2	Any public comment?
3	(No verbal response.)
4	All those in favor please say aye.
5	(Aye.)
6	The item moves on.
7	Item Number 524 is to establish a new fee
8	schedule for ambulance services provided by the
9	Nassau County Police Department.
10	May I have a motion, please?
11	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
12	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
13	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
14	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
15	It's all yours.
16	MS. FOX: Tatum Fox, Nassau County
17	Police Legal Bureau. Item 524-12 is in regard to
18	repealing Ordinance Number 185-2010 in regard to
19	the fee schedule for ambulance services. The
20	Department conducts approximately 75 to 100
21	Medevac transports a year. The prior fee
22	schedule did not include helicopter transport at
23	all. That's what this amendment is called for.
24	These transports are mostly directed with auto
25	accidents, so they will be billed through no

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2	fault or other insurance. But just like with the
3	ambulance billing, there will be a mechanism
4	built in to ensure that people may apply for
5	financial hardships for the fee. The purpose is
6	to offset the cost of maintaining our aviation
7	bureau, which is about \$4 million annually.
8	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Any questions?
9	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Yes.
10	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator Jacobs.
11	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Okay. Tatum, let me
12	just ask you a question here.
13	So there's going to be a \$7500 fee
14	MS. FOX: Yes.
15	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: if a helicopter has
16	to be used.
17	MS. FOX: Correct.
18	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: It seems like an
19	enormous amount.
20	MS. FOX: It does. Again, not for the
21	purpose of that one run. It's to offset the cost
22	of the aviation bureau, which needs to be there
23	with the helicopters ready to go. So if you
24	think about it as offsetting the four million of
25	aviation bureau to be there when needed, to

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transport someone, that's really what we're really offsetting, not that one run per say.

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: So would it be fair to say that the cost of sending the helicopter with the two people, at least the two people aboard, to go somewhere in the county to Medevac a patient to the Medical Center, it's estimated to be 7500.

MS. FOX: I don't have a breakdown per run. But, yes, based upon salaries -- and if that's something you would like before the Full Leg, it's something I can pull, sure -- the salaries, the helicopter itself, the maintenance of the helicopter, the jet fuel. I have Sergeant Santiago here, Commanding Officer of Legal Bureau who would like to add to this.

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: To have a helicopter be ready to go, it's like any other -- it's not a business, but if we're running it in a businesslike fashion, the cost of maintaining the helicopter and having it ready to fly with the person on board to take an injured person away, it's got to be X dollars.

> MS. FOX: Exactly. It's \$4 million

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2	annually to maintain that, to have it ready to
3	go.
4	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Four million
5	annually. If you had 100 Medevacs a year, what
6	does that work out to be?
7	MS. FOX: With the fee, it would offset
8	\$750,000 of the four million.
9	LEGISLATOR WINK: How many calls have
10	there been in the last few years?
11	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: She said 75 to 100.
12	MS. FOX: Yes.
13	LEGISLATOR WINK: Seventy-five to 100 a
14	year?
15	MS. FOX: Yes.
16	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: And this is per
17	call?
18	MS. FOX: Correct. It would be \$7500
19	per call, correct.
20	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: And now there is no
21	fee?
22	MS. FOX: No.
23	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: I'm sorry. Do we
24	know if insurance picks this up at all?
25	MR. SANTIAGO: As was stated earlier,

bill being sent to your home.

most of these are auto accidents, sadly. Between New York State's no-fault statute, that would meet a threshold, they would be paying out of the insurance of damages and loss that we could recoup or through medical insurance we would be able to recoup -- I mean the aided person would be able to recoup those funds. Additionally, if there is a hardship situation, they could apply for a -- no one is going to go after you after a

What's important to note is we are trying to maintain a fleet of three helicopters. This figure we derived from other jurisdictions outside of New York State which, believe it or not, have lower costs overall. \$7500 is common in terms of charging for that service. We're talking Pennsylvania, West Virginia state police.

Also, we want to maintain a level that they can provide a traditional police role, which is not really medevacing, but in terms of public safety, crime prevention, apprehension. It's correct; one of the most costly services rendered by helicopters, police helicopters is a medical nature. It's the only time that they really have

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2	to land and land again in a different location.
3	So we have other variables that come into play in
4	transporting someone by Medevac. That's the
5	nature of the beast.
6	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: I understand that.
7	But let me just ask you a question. You
8	mentioned Pennsylvania and a few other states.
9	MR. SANTIAGO: West Virginia, also.
10	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: What about New York?
11	MR. SANTIAGO: New York. I'd have to
12	get back to you. They're set up a little
13	differently. In terms of their the reality is
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15	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: I meant Suffolk,
16	Westchester. Does any other county in the state
17	have this?
18	MR. SANTIAGO: I think Nassau County and
19	the tri-state area. New York has helicopters,
20	but they're rarely used for Medevaced purposes.
21	Their function is primarily criminal enforcement
22	or law enforcement, enforcement of criminal laws,
23	detection, arrests. Basically, they are used
24	more in a home security capacity as opposed to
25	what we're providing in Nassau County. It's a

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2	LEGISLATOR JACOBS: Okay. Thank you.
3	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Anybody else?
4	(No verbal response.)
5	Any public comment?
6	(No verbal response.)
7	All those in favor please say aye.
8	(Aye.)
9	The item moves on to the Full
10	Legislature.
11	Item 525 is an ordinance amending
12	Ordinance 16-2011 in relation to increasing the
13	fee charged by the Traffic and Parking Violations
14	Agency for a final disposition other than not
15	guilty.
16	May I have a motion, please?
17	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
18	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
19	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
20	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
21	Good afternoon. I guess it's still
22	afternoon. Good afternoon, gentlemen.
23	JUDGE MARKS: John Marks, Executive
24	Director of TPVA.
25	MR. RICH: Dave Rich, Deputy Director of

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CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Tell us what this is.

JUDGE MARKS: The last actual study for
the processing of a ticket was in 2008, where the
price I believe was \$14.76. We went before the
legislature in 2010, in October, to have that fee
charged to all tickets processed. From 2008, it
was only processed on six particular tickets.
The new number to process a ticket is
approximately \$28, \$27 and some change. We're
asking the fee to be increased proportionately,
to be \$30 for any ticket or notice of liability
issued and processed through Nassau County, with
the exception of a not guilty finding. If there
is a not guilty finding there is no fee charged.

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Any questions?

LEGISLATOR WINK: Yeah.

CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Legislator Wink.

LEGISLATOR WINK: Judge Marks, I remember this conversation that we had a couple years ago about this. As I recall, this is, for example, an unlicensed operation of motor vehicle ticket because someone fails to have their license on them at the time they're pulled over.

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JUDGE MARKS: But as a courtesy that

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LEGISLATOR WINK: I think the tickets itself is actually unlicensed operation until you can prove otherwise, isn't that the case?

JUDGE MARKS: No, sir. There's a fail to carry and a fail to have. If you don't have one, it's a different situation. Those tickets are not dismissed. Failing to carry will be dismissed when you produce.

LEGISLATOR WINK: I guess a police officer can check DMV records at the scene to ensure that the person is actually otherwise licensed.

JUDGE MARKS: What they normally do -and I haven't done field stops in 30 years, 37
years. When you are stopped, you are asked to
produce your license, registration, and insurance
card. If you produce them, there's no tickets
issued. If you don't produce them, there are
tickets issued.

LEGISLATOR WINK: Okay. All right. I recall at the time that there seemed to be some issue with this. I know the straights the county is in. I know this is money that the county

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JUDGE MARKS: It also, I'm hoping, the effect would have -- perhaps I shouldn't say this -- would be to drive down the instance of traffic violations. This is, to me, it's a fee you're asking to pay. If you have your information or if you pass a red light, if you don't pass it or you don't commit a traffic violation, you're not paying this.

LEGISLATOR WINK: Right.

JUDGE MARKS: You did it. I hope it has a safety affect also. You find out, I think, that when people realize -- it's I don't care it's only \$5 or \$20 -- I'm not making light of it. Unfortunately, that's people's attitude.

example. Somebody came in the other day with 71 parking violations and wanted some sort of a discount. I said if you had five, six, seven, I understand. But, obviously, you're paying 100 or \$110 ticket isn't affecting you because every time you got one of your 71 you paid it. Maybe this person will learn, maybe he won't. I don't know. Frankly, I don't really care. I hope they

charged by the Department of Parks, Recreation,

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2	and Museums.
3	May I have a motion, please?
4	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
5	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
6	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
7	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
8	Good evening.
9	MS. KREEB: Eileen Kreeb from the
10	Department of Parks. This is an amendment to an
11	existing ordinance to increase swimming lesson
12	fees and to include a registration fee for that
13	application.
14	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Okay. What are you
15	increasing?
16	MR. KREEB: The present swimming lesson
17	cost is \$55 for ten lessons, and we're proposing
18	\$65 for ten lessons, so a dollar per lesson
19	increase. And a registration fee for all
20	applications of \$5, which is non-refundable.
21	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Any questions?
22	(No verbal response.)
23	Any public comment?
24	(No verbal response.)
25	All those in favor please say aye.

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2	(Aye.)
3	Any opposed?
4	(No verbal response.)
5	The item moves on to the Full
6	Legislature.
7	Addendum III. We have a resolution to
8	confirm the county executive's appointment of
9	Owen Smith to the Nassau County Board of Ethics.
10	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
11	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
12	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
13	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
14	Are there any questions or debate or
15	discussion?
16	(No verbal response.)
17	Any public comment?
18	(No verbal response.)
19	All those in favor please say aye.
20	(Aye.)
21	Any opposed?
22	(No verbal response.)
23	The item carries unanimously.
24	That's all the business to come before
25	the Rules Committee. I'll take a motion to

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2	adjourn.
3	LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.
4	LEGISLATOR NICOLELLO: Second.
5	CHAIRMAN SCHMITT: Moved by Legislator
6	Walker, seconded by Legislator Nicolello.
7	All in favor please say aye.
8	(Aye.)
9	We stand adjourned.
10	(Whereupon, the Rules Committee adjourned
11	at 5:21 p.m.)
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I, FRANK GRAY, a Shorthand Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of New York, do hereby state:

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FRANK GRAY