

NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE

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ACTING PRESIDING OFFICER

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

DENNIS DUNNE,
CHAIRMAN

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Mineola, New York

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A P P E A R A N C E S :

DENNIS DUNNE
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JOSEPH BELESI
Vice-Chair

DENISE FORD

MICHAEL VENDITTO

JOSEPH SCANNELL
Ranking

DAVID DENENBERG

WAYNE WINK

WILLIAM J. MULLER III, Clerk

LIST OF SPEAKERS

GREG MAY. 5
EDWARD SHANK. 5
TIMOTHY HAHN. 7
GREG STEPHANOFF 10

2 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: I call the Public
3 Safety Committee to order.

4 I will be the clerk and call the roll.

5 Legislator Wayne Wink?

6 LEGISLATOR WINK: Here.

7 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Legislator David
8 Denenberg?

9 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Here.

10 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Ranking Member,
11 Legislator Joseph Scannell?

12 LEGISLATOR SCANNELL: Here.

13 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Legislator Michael
14 Venditto?

15 LEGISLATOR VENDITTO: Here.

16 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Better known as the
17 kid.

18 Legislator Denise Ford?

19 LEGISLATOR FORD: Here.

20 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Vice Chairman,
21 Legislator Joseph Belesi?

22 LEGISLATOR BELESI: Here.

23 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Chairman Denis Dunne; I
24 am here.

25 We have a quorum.

The first item to come before this committee is Item 435-13, which is an ordinance supplemental to the annual appropriation ordinance in connection with the Nassau County Department of Probation.

Can I have a motion on that?

LEGISLATOR BELESI: So moved.

LEGISLATOR VENDITTO: Second.

CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Motion by Joe Belesi, seconded by Mike Venditto.

Who do we have from probation?

MR. MAY: We have Mr. Ed Shank, who is right here.

CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Mr. Shank.

MR. SHANK: Thank you. Good afternoon.

This item is an appropriation item for \$250,000; it supplements the department's supervision of approximately 3,000 convicted DWI offenders. This traffic safety board provides this resource to enhance the effective community management of this population and includes funding for victim impact panels, off hour field operations, including surveillance of DWI offenders suspected of driving without licenses,

and/or ignition interlocks and the use of cutting edge devices to monitor high risk offenders' whereabouts and abstinence.

CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Thank you, Mr. Shank.
Are there any questions from any legislator?

(No verbal response.)

Any public comment?

(No verbal response.)

There being none; all those in favor indicate by saying aye.

(Aye.)

Any against?

(No verbal response.)

The ayes have it.

This goes on to Finance.

MR. SHANK: Thank you very much.

CHAIRMAN DUNNE: The next item coming forward -- thank you, Mr. Shank -- is Item 436-13, an ordinance supplemental to the annual appropriation ordinance in connection with the Department of Toxicology, Medical Examiner.

Can I have a motion?

LEGISLATOR FORD: So moved.

LEGISLATOR BELESI: Second.

CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Motion by Denise Ford,
seconded by Joe Belesi, Legislator Belesi, that
is.

Who do we have to talk about this?

MR. MAY: Mr. Timothy Hahn from the
Medical Examiner's Office.

CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Mr. Hahn.

MR. HAHN: Good afternoon. This is a
grant in the amount of \$90,000 from New York
State Division of Criminal Justice Services that
is used to supplement the funding for the
toxicology lab in the ME's office; in particular,
to reduce case backlog, improve the quality
control system, and to assist us with maintaining
our accreditation from New York State.

CHAIRMAN DUNNE: So it's pass through
money.

Any questions from any of the
legislators?

(No verbal response.)

Any public comment?

(No verbal response.)

There being none; all those in favor
indicate by saying aye.

(Aye.)

Any against?

(No verbal response.)

The ayes have it. This goes on to
Finance.

Next item to come before us is Item 437-
13, an ordinance supplemental to the annual
appropriation ordinance in connection with the
Office of Nassau County Executive - the County
Executive. Who do we have here for this?

Motion by Joe Belesi, seconded by Denise
Ford.

Now, who do we have?

MR. MAY: Okay. Mr. Chairman, I'm going
to take the first shot at this.

This is a supplemental appropriation for
about \$153,000 to cover salary and fringe for the
crime victim's assistance program.

CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Okay. Are there any
questions from any of the legislators? Yes, we
do. Legislator David Denenberg.

LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Thank you, Mr.
May.

This funding, we have one full time and

one part time employee?

MR. MAY: I believe that's correct.

Yes.

LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: And both are filled right now, correct?

MR. MAY: Correct.

LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Okay. That's it.

CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Any public comment?

(No verbal response.)

There being none; all in favor indicate by saying aye.

(Aye.)

Any against?

(No verbal response.)

The ayes have it. It goes on to Finance.

Next item is Item 438-13, an ordinance supplemental to the annual appropriations ordinance in connection with the police department.

Motion by Mike Venditto, seconded by Joe Belesi.

Who do we have from the police department?

MR. MAY: Standing behind me should be

2 Sergeant Gregory Stephanoff.

3 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: He's coming up right
4 now.

5 MR. MAY: He's coming though.

6 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Yes.

7 SERGEANT STEPHANOFF: Good afternoon,
8 Legislators. Sergeant Greg Stephanoff.

9 This is a grant, Operation Gateway, for
10 \$67,540, and it's directed primarily for marine
11 bureau for extra patrols on the waterways. It
12 will be used to enhance the patrols.

13 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: Any questions from any
14 legislators?

15 (No verbal response.)

16 Any public comment?

17 (No verbal response.)

18 There being none; all those in favor
19 indicate by saying aye.

20 (Aye.)

21 Any against?

22 (No verbal response.)

23 The ayes have it. It goes on to Finance.

24 There is no other business before this
25 committee.

2 LEGISLATOR FORD: Move to adjourn.

3 LEGISLATOR BELESI: Second.

4 CHAIRMAN DUNNE: I hear a motion to
5 adjourn by Denise Ford, seconded by Joe Belesi.

6 All in favor?

7 (Aye.)

8 Any against?

9 (No verbal response.)

10 We are now adjourned.

11 (Whereupon, the Public Safety Committee
12 adjourned at 1:45 p.m.)

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, FRANK GRAY, a Shorthand Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of New York, do hereby state:

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THAT the foregoing transcript is a true and accurate transcript of the same and the whole thereof, according to the best of my ability and belief.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 14th day of October, 2013.

FRANK GRAY