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NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE

NORMA GONSALVES,
Presiding Officer

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

DENNIS DUNNE, Chairman

1550 Franklin Avenue
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A P P E A R A N C E S :

DENNIS DUNNE, (Substituted by
Chairman Rose Walker)

JOSEPH BELESI,
Vice Chairman

DENISE FORD

MICHAEL VENDITTO

JOSEPH SCANNELL, (Substituted by
Ranking Judi Bosworth)

DAVID DENENBERG

WAYNE WINK

WILLIAM J. MULLER, III
Clerk of the Legislature

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LIST OF SPEAKERS

TATUM FOX,
Nassau County Police Department.....5

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2 CLERK MULLER: Will the Public
3 Safety Committee please come to order. Can
4 all members enter the chamber? Legislator
5 Wink?

6 LEGISLATOR WINK: Here.

7 CLERK MULLER: Legislator
8 Denenberg?

9 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Here.

10 CLERK MULLER: Ranking Member
11 Joseph Scannell? I believe he's here.
12 He'll come out.

13 I'm sorry, Legislator Bosworth
14 substituting for Legislator Scannell?

15 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: Here.

16 CLERK MULLER: Legislator
17 Venditto?

18 LEGISLATOR VENDITTO: Here.

19 CLERK MULLER: Legislator Ford?

20 LEGISLATOR FORD: Here.

21 CLERK MULLER: Vice Chairman Joe
22 Belesi?

23 LEGISLATOR BELESI: Here.

24 CLERK MULLER: Legislator Walker
25 substituting for Legislator Dunne?

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2 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Here.

3 CLERK MULLER: There is only one
4 item, 64-13, a resolution authorizing the
5 county executive to execute an
6 intermunicipal agreement with the County of
7 Westchester in relation to Westchester
8 County performing latent print analysis for
9 Nassau County. Can I have a motion, please?

10 LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

11 LEGISLATOR BELESI: Second.

12 CLERK MULLER: Motion by
13 Legislator Walker, seconded by Legislator
14 Belesi. Mr. May.

15 MR. MAY: We have Sergeant Greg
16 Stephanoff and Tatum Fox from PD to answer
17 questions on this item.

18 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: This
19 intermunicipal agreement for this lab work,
20 is this a second agreement or is this the
21 first agreement?

22 MS. FOX: Correct. This is
23 technically, although it's not called that
24 because it's an IMA and not a personal
25 service contract, it is a renewal basically

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2 from the first agreement.

3 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: I could
4 have sworn we did this last year too.

5 MS. FOX: You did in fact, and
6 the explanation for the gap in the term is
7 that you'll see in the backup, this was
8 actually routed through Westchester County
9 first. Their board of legislators approved
10 it September 24th of '12.

11 Then their board of acquisition
12 and contract approved it October 25th of
13 '12. It was sent to Nassau for our routing
14 processes. So it's just the layers of both
15 counties having to approve the IMA.

16 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: So while
17 we weren't under any agreement, were we just
18 operating under the agreement from last year
19 or were we not getting this work done?

20 MS. FOX: We sent it to be done
21 but we could not obviously process any
22 vouchers for the work they had done until
23 this is finalized.

24 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: So the
25 work has been done and we owe money?

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2 MS. FOX: Well, my understanding
3 is, Westchester basically said we're going
4 to hold off from doing any new work. They
5 continued what they had that was given to
6 them prior to the expiration. They kept
7 working on that afterwards but they wouldn't
8 take on new claims until this is finalized.

9 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: So did we
10 have any situation where we haven't been
11 getting testing done that we need for
12 prosecution?

13 MS. FOX: No. Thankfully we have
14 been fine in that regard.

15 LEGISLATOR DENENBERG: Okay.

16 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: Thank you,
17 Legislator Belesi.

18 So how long are you anticipating
19 that we are going to continue the need to
20 outsource this kind of work?

21 MS. FOX: Sure. Actually, the
22 new lab is -- it's not like a hard opening.
23 It's all being phased in as we get the
24 professionals certified and trained that we
25 need. I believe we do have a few for

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2 latents actually, so this will be more of a
3 redundancy, a backup for us during the term
4 of this agreement, we hope that it will, the
5 volume we send to Westchester will decrease
6 and probably, hopefully, if we renew it,
7 will be just for that as a redundancy and
8 not a primary.

9 LEGISLATOR BOSWORTH: Thank you.

10 LEGISLATOR BELESI: Anybody else?

11 (No verbal response.)

12 Is there any public comment?

13 (No verbal response.)

14 All those in favor of this item
15 please signify by saying aye.

16 (Aye.)

17 Opposed?

18 (No verbal response.)

19 The item passes.

20 There is no other business before
21 this committee, may I have a motion to
22 adjourn?

23 LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

24 LEGISLATOR VENDITTO: Second.

25 LEGISLATOR BELESI: Motion by

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2 Legislator Walker, seconded by Legislator
3 Venditto. All those in favor?

4 (Aye.)

5 The committee is adjourned.

6 (Whereupon, the Public Safety
7 Committee adjourned at 3:37 p.m.)

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FRANK GRAY