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HOWARD KOPEL, Chairman

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Vice Chairman

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ELLEN BIRNBAUM,
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ARNOLD DRUCKER

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MICHAEL PULITZER,
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2 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: I will call the
3 Finance Committee to order and I will call
4 the roll. Mr. Muscarella is here. Mr.
5 McKevitt is here. Ms. Walker. Ms.
6 Birnbaum, you're here, Mr. Drucker, and Ms.
7 Mule. We have a quorum. We have a number
8 of items on the agenda.

9 The first item is 146 of '18,
10 which is the resolution to amend Resolution
11 Number 107 of '13 which is to establish the
12 Long Island Commission on Aquifer
13 Protection.

14 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: So moved.

15 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Second.

16 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Moved by Mr.
17 Muscarella, seconded by Ms. Birnbaum.

18 Anyone here? This has gone
19 through a previous committee. Why don't we
20 go ahead and incorporate the previous record
21 into this by reference.

22 (Whereupon, please refer to the
23 minutes of the Planning Committee dated
24 6-4-18 pertaining to Clerk Item 146-18;
25 5-73.)

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2 Does anyone have any questions or
3 comments?

4 (No verbal response.)

5

6 Is there any public comment?

7 (No verbal response.)

8 All those in favor signify by
9 saying aye.

10 (Aye.)

11 Any opposed?

12 (Nay.)

13 So we've got four three.

14 Number 208 authorizes the
15 transfer of appropriations -- I'm not sure
16 what it's for. Is anyone here?

17 LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: So moved.

18 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Second.

19 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by
20 Mr. McKevitt and seconded by Mr. Drucker.

21 MS. LAURAIN: Good afternoon.

22 MaryEllen Laurain, Department of Health.

23 This is a board transfer for the New York

24 State Department of Health funded program.

25 It's 100 percent funded it's to maximize

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2 grant reimbursement. It's in the amount of
3 \$4,100.

4 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Transfer from
5 what to what?

6 MS. LAURAIN: Transferring from
7 fringe to salary.

8 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Thank you. Any
9 questions here?

10 (No verbal response.)

11 Is there any public comment?

12 (No verbal response.)

13 All those in favor signify by
14 saying aye.

15 (Aye.)

16 Any opposed?

17 (No verbal response.)

18 That passes. Thank you.

19 I guess we are up to 209 and
20 that's an ordinance supplemental to the
21 annual appropriation for the District
22 Attorney.

23 LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

24 LEGISLATOR MULE: Second.

25 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by

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2 Ms. Walker and it's seconded by Ms. Mule.

3 MR. MCMANUS: Bob McManus,
4 District Attorney's Office. This item is
5 the gun involved violence elimination
6 initiative which is grant funding from New
7 York State division of criminal justice
8 services to support expanded services
9 intended to facilitate the reduction of gun
10 violence in Nassau County.

11 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: How much is
12 this?

13 MR. MCMANUS: Our portion of the
14 grant is \$115,080.

15 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's a new
16 appropriation?

17 MR. MCMANUS: A new appropriation
18 for this year but we've received this
19 appropriation now for --

20 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: I understand but
21 is it in our budget? It's already in the
22 budget?

23 MR. MCMANUS: Yes.

24 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Anyone else have
25 questions?

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2 (No verbal response.)

3 Is there any public comment?

4 (No verbal response.)

5 All those in favor signify by

6 saying aye.

7 (Aye.)

8 Any opposed?

9 (No verbal response.)

10 That item passes.

11 Next is 210 which is supplemental

12 to the appropriation in connection with

13 probation.

14 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: So moved.

15 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Second.

16 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by

17 Mr. Muscarella and seconded by Mr. Drucker.

18 MR. LANDSMAN: Good afternoon.

19 Doug Landsman, Nassau probation. This is

20 our GIVE grant, Bob McManus, same grant,

21 starts July 1st going to June of next year.

22 The amount of the grant is

23 \$202,194. There is no match. It's a 12

24 month grant.

25 Again, it's the GIVE grant, guns

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2 involved violence elimination, focus on the
3 goal of reducing shootings and homicides by
4 promoting integrated evidence based
5 strategies in Nassau County.

6 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: What does that
7 mean?

8 MR. LANDSMAN: This would be
9 focusing on gangs by using different
10 strategies. This grant has been around for
11 15 years. Previously it was known as
12 Operation Impact.

13 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: I'm just focused
14 on the words you just used, buzz words,
15 evidence based strategies.

16 MR. LANDSMAN: These are the
17 words I used by DCJS from our understanding
18 to mean, operations which include gang
19 sweeps, sharing and obtaining gang
20 information.

21 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: In other words,
22 things that have proven to work?

23 MR. LANDSMAN: Yes.

24 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Anyone else?

25 (No verbal response.)

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2 Is there any public comment?

3 (No verbal response.)

4 All those in favor signify by
5 saying aye.

6 (Aye.)

7 Any opposed?

8 (No verbal response.)

9 Carries unanimously.

10 Thank you.

11 MR. LANDSMAN: Thank you for
12 supporting probation.

13 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Number 211 is
14 supplemental for the Police Department.

15 LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

16 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Second.

17 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by
18 Ms. Walker and seconded by Mr. Drucker.

19 LIEUTENANT STEPHANOFF: Good
20 afternoon. Lieutenant Greg Stephanoff.

21 This is our share of the Gun
22 Involved Violence Grant. This item
23 appropriates \$323,824. We are going to use
24 this grant for intelligence, gathering, and
25 sharing. This grant is going to buy three

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2 license plate readers and it's also going to
3 fund police youth academy activities and
4 intelligence based prosecution.

5 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's great.
6 You don't have any other items here, do you?

7 LIEUTENANT STEPHANOFF: Yes, I
8 do.

9 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: We will get to
10 it in a moment since you are here. Any
11 questions for the Lieutenant?

12 (No verbal response.)

13 Is there any public comment?

14 (No verbal response.)

15 All those in favor signify by
16 saying aye.

17 (Aye.)

18 Those opposed?

19 (No verbal response.)

20 That item passes unanimously.

21 Now what is your other item?

22 LIEUTENANT STEPHANOFF: 248.

23 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: 248 of '18 is a
24 resolution authorizing the County Executive
25 to do an IMA with Westchester County with

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2 their labs.

3 LEGISLATOR MULE: So moved.

4 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Second.

5 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by
6 Ms. Mule and seconded by Mr. Muscarella.

7 LIEUTENANT STEPHANOFF:

8 Lieutenant Greg Stephanoff again. Item 24
9 of '18 is an intergovernmental agreement
10 between Westchester County and Nassau County
11 for them to test our trace evidence. Trace
12 evidence can be carpet fibers, clothing
13 fibers, that are collected at the scene by
14 our crime scene.

15 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: We don't do that
16 here?

17 LIEUTENANT STEPHANOFF: No. It's
18 a small discipline. Doesn't incur a big
19 expense.

20 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: It doesn't pay
21 to hire someone full time?

22 LIEUTENANT STEPHANOFF: I think
23 eventually the goal is the ME is taking
24 over, they are getting their lab up and
25 running, but this is a small discipline.

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2 They are eventually going to do this. It's
3 not a priority right now. They are taking
4 over the bigger items.

5 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Thank you.

6 Anybody else? Any other questions?

7 Legislator Birnbaum.

8 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Have we
9 been doing it with Westchester for the last
10 couple of years?

11 LIEUTENANT STEPHANOFF: Yes, this
12 is where we're doing it.

13 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: How many
14 years?

15 LIEUTENANT STEPHANOFF: I think
16 they took over when the lab closed. They
17 have been doing this for quite a while. I
18 don't know if it was exactly when the lab
19 closed but we've been using them for a
20 number of years now and we have had good
21 success with them.

22 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Do you know
23 why we don't do it with Suffolk County?

24 LIEUTENANT STEPHANOFF: I think
25 Westchester tried to get somebody who would

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2 take the evidence because it's extra work
3 for them. Westchester was able to pick up
4 our work.

5 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Nobody else
6 wanted it?

7 LIEUTENANT STEPHANOFF: I don't
8 think they had the ability for the work
9 load.

10 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Anybody else?

11 (No verbal response.)

12 Is there any public comment?

13 (No verbal response.)

14 All those in favor signify by
15 saying aye.

16 (Aye.)

17 Any opposed?

18 (No verbal response.)

19 That's unanimous again.

20 The next one will be 213 which is
21 supplemental for indigent legal services.

22 LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: So moved.

23 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Second.

24 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by
25 Mr. McKevitt and seconded by Ellen Birnbaum.

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2 Mr. Persich.

3 MR. PERSICH: Andy Persich,
4 Office of Management and Budget.

5 This is an annual grant that
6 occurs for distributions from the ILS from
7 the state. It's divided up between legal
8 aid services and the bar association for 18B
9 and it's a three year distribution.

10 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Any questions?

11 (No verbal response.)

12 Is there any public comment?

13 (No verbal response.)

14 All those in favor signify by
15 saying aye.

16 (Aye.)

17 Those opposed?

18 (No verbal response.)

19 It's unanimous. Thank you.

20 215 is a resolution authorizing
21 the County Executive to execute an IMA with
22 the village of Freeport in relation to the
23 collection of delinquent taxes, satisfaction
24 of liens and disposition of certain
25 properties.

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2 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: So moved.

3 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Second.

4 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by
5 Ms. Birnbaum and seconded by Ms. Walker.

6 MR. WILLIAMS: Errol Williams,
7 Deputy County Attorney. This is a tax
8 collection agreement between the county and
9 the village of Freeport. It involves the
10 sale of county owned property which was
11 acquired by tax deed and the proceeds of the
12 sale will be split 50-50 between the County
13 and the Village.

14 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: So the IMA
15 authorizes exactly what?

16 MR. WILLIAMS: That the proceeds
17 of the sale be split.

18 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Why split? The
19 taxes are not split are they? I mean, the
20 amount of delinquent taxes -- when you say
21 "split," you mean proportionately to the
22 taxes that are owed?

23 MR. WILLIAMS: No.

24 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: You don't mean
25 split down the middle?

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2 MR. WILLIAMS: Split down the
3 middle. The sale is \$56,000.

4 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: The tax lien for
5 the village would be far less than that,
6 right?

7 MR. WILLIAMS: No. The tax liens
8 for the village are \$130,000.

9 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Got it, and what
10 about the other jurisdictions?

11 MR. WILLIAMS: Suffolk County?

12 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: In other words,
13 the school district, what is their take on
14 this?

15 MR. WILLIAMS: There are no other
16 taxes other than the tax liens from the
17 village which, like I said, \$130,000
18 outstanding, the county owns the property,
19 and the county acquired the property by tax
20 deed.

21 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: The county lien?

22 MR. WILLIAMS: There are no
23 county liens.

24 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Okay. Sounds
25 good. Anyone else?

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2 LEGISLATOR WALKER: This was all
3 discussed in the previous committee.

4 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Sounds like a
5 plan. Incorporated by reference.

6 (Whereupon, please refer to the
7 minutes of the Veterans and Senior Affairs
8 Committee dated 6-4-18 pertaining to Clerk
9 Item 215.)

10 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Thank you,
11 Mr. Williams. Anyone else?

12 (No verbal response.)

13 Is there any public comment?

14 (No verbal response.)

15 All those in favor signify by
16 saying aye.

17 (Aye.)

18 Any opposed?

19 (No verbal response.)

20 That's unanimous.

21 240 is a supplemental
22 appropriation for the probation department.

23 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: So moved.

24 LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: Second.

25 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by

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2 Ms. Birnbaum and seconded by Mr. McKevitt.

3 MR. LANDSMAN: Good afternoon
4 members. This is an item before you for the
5 annual ATI Group grant, alternatives to
6 incarceration. It's a mandatory grant from
7 New York State DCJS. It's \$307,672. The
8 main objective of the grant is to avert
9 offenders from costly local incarceration
10 and to provide pretrial reporting to the
11 courts. It's certainly much cheaper to put
12 somebody on probation than to incarcerate.
13 So this program goes a long way to putting
14 people on pretrial release.

15 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: What's the
16 criteria for doing that?

17 MR. LANDSMAN: We have different
18 programs. We have programs through New York
19 State. It's called a compass program and
20 that program will evaluate whether somebody
21 qualifies for pretrial release.

22 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Anyone else have
23 any questions?

24 (No verbal response.)

25 Is there any public comment?

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2 (No verbal response.)

3 All those in favor signify by
4 saying aye.

5 (Aye.)

6 Any opposed?

7 (No verbal response.)

8 Passes unanimously.

9 MR. LANDSMAN: Thank you again
10 for supporting.

11 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Do you have
12 anything more before you go? Okay. You're
13 done. Thank you. 241 is an authorizing a
14 transfer of appropriation for the budget
15 year of 2018.

16 LEGISLATOR MULE: So moved.

17 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Second.

18 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by
19 Ms. Mule, and seconded by Ms. Walker.

20 MS. LAURAIN: Good afternoon.

21 MaryEllen Laurain, Department of Health.

22 This is a board transfer for our sexually
23 transmitted disease program. It's moving
24 salary to fringe in the amount of \$411.

25 It's 100 percent grant funded through New

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2 York State Department of Health.

3 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Do we have any
4 questions from the legislators?

5 (No verbal response.)

6 Is there any public comment?

7 (No verbal response.)

8 All those in favor signify by
9 saying aye.

10 (Aye.)

11 Those opposed?

12 (No verbal response.)

13 That's unanimous. Thank you. Do
14 you have any others?

15 MS. LAURAIN: I do.

16 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Let's do those.

17 Item 243 of '18; 243 is another
18 transfer of appropriations.

19 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: So moved.

20 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Second.

21 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by
22 Mr. Muscarella and seconded by Ms. Walker.

23 MS. LAURAIN: Again, this is
24 another board transfer moving salary to
25 fringe. It's in the amount of \$1,787 for

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2 our HIV program and it's 100 percent funded
3 through New York State Department of Health.

4 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Do we have any
5 questions from the legislators?

6 (No verbal response.)

7 Is there any public comment?

8 (No verbal response.)

9 All those in favor signify by
10 saying aye.

11 (Aye.)

12 Those opposed?

13 (No verbal response.)

14 Carries unanimously.

15 You said that you had one more?

16 MS. LAURAIN: That was my third.

17 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Thank you.

18 Number 242, that was another resolution,
19 transfer of appropriations. That wouldn't
20 be yours?

21 LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

22 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Second.

23 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by
24 Ms. Walker and seconded by Ms. Birnbaum.

25 MR. HALL: Brian Hall, Human

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2 Services. This is a transfer in our
3 Methadone Clinic grant money. We are moving
4 it from general expense money to equipment
5 to purchase a new server and dosage system
6 for the clinic.

7 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: But you have the
8 money there?

9 MR. HALL: Yes, it's just
10 transferring the money.

11 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Any questions
12 from the legislators?

13 (No verbal response.)

14 Is there any public comment?

15 (No verbal response.)

16 All those in favor signify by
17 saying aye.

18 (Aye.)

19 Those opposed?

20 (No verbal response.)

21 That's unanimous. Thank you,
22 sir. We will do the next three together.

23 244, 245, 246 are all
24 appropriations in connection with the
25 Department of Parks, Recreation.

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2 LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

3 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Second.

4 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by
5 Ms. Walker, and seconded by Mr. Drucker.

6 MR. NUGENT: Brian Nugent, Nassau
7 County Department of Parks, Recreation and
8 Museum. How are you?

9 The first two are the Hotel Motel
10 appropriations. It's an estimate of the
11 amount we are to receive from the state in
12 Hotel Motel proceeds. The first goes into
13 the programming. The event line, that's a
14 larger number, a two million dollar number
15 and the second is the historic buildings
16 preservation fund which is all dictated,
17 split by the -- dictated by Hotel Motel law.

18 The other was in previous
19 committees. It's the Mitchell account where
20 the money is being transferred based on the
21 amount of money that will be collected at
22 the Mitchell Field complex including the
23 rifle range, events, and fees that will go
24 into the Mitchell Grant fund.

25 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Let me ask you,

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2 first of all, these are new appropriations,
3 basically, they're not budget transfers?

4 MR. NUGENT: Yes, new
5 appropriations.

6 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Where is this
7 coming from?

8 MR. NUGENT: Hotel Motel. It's
9 the estimated money coming in from Hotel
10 Motel proceeds.

11 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: For all of them?

12 MR. NUGENT: Well, the two
13 million goes to the programming and events
14 and the three hundred is -- this is the
15 budgeted money --

16 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: So, in other
17 words, the Hotel Motel was not spoken for
18 previously or are you budgeting additional
19 money coming from Hotel Motel?

20 MR. NUGENT: This is the money
21 for the 2018 --

22 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Sorry. Maybe
23 I'm not making myself clear, so forgive me.
24 In the 2018 budget, the Hotel Motel money
25 was anticipated obviously.

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2 MR. NUGENT: Correct.

3 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Is this, and
4 presumably spoken for, in terms of
5 expenditures, right?

6 MR. NUGENT: Yes.

7 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: So this is new
8 money being appropriated?

9 MR. NUGENT: From what I
10 understand, this is the money that we
11 anticipate to be collected. This is the
12 same budgeted money. We're not getting any
13 new money.

14 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: So it's not
15 additional money, is that what you're
16 saying?

17 MR. PERSICH: Andy Persich,
18 Office of Management and Budget. This is
19 the 2018 appropriation for Hotel Motel.

20 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: This is the
21 original appropriation. It's not previous
22 to --

23 MR. PERSICH: It's the
24 appropriate. We have to supplementally
25 appropriate it because it's grant funds. We

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2 have to put in the fund this way and this is
3 how we do.

4 Now, Mitchell is different.
5 Mitchell is revenues and collections from
6 the Mitchell Field area. It's dedicated by
7 deed. Any revenue generated in it has to
8 stay in there but it's anticipated money
9 coming in.

10 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: You anticipate
11 it --

12 MR. PERSICH: Based on historical
13 collections and everything else. Historical
14 numbers.

15 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: The question
16 that comes up is, this is typically done
17 later on in the year?

18 MR. PERSICH: I don't think so.
19 I think it's pretty consistent in the timing
20 we are do it. I have to go back and look.
21 It's usually around summertime or maybe in
22 August that we do the appropriations.

23 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Do you think you
24 have sufficient basis to determine what --

25 MR. PERSICH: Based on historical

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2 trends, yes, I can get you a chart and show
3 you the historical. I don't have it with me
4 right now, but I can get it for you.

5 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: All right. Does
6 anyone have else have any questions? Mr.
7 Drucker.

8 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Can you
9 identify which historic buildings will be
10 restored with these funds?

11 MR. NUGENT: I don't have that
12 list but I can get that list for you.

13 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Please do.
14 Thank you.

15 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Anyone else?

16 (No verbal response.)

17 Any public comment?

18 (No verbal response.)

19 All those in favor signify by
20 saying aye.

21 (Aye.)

22 Any opposed?

23 (No verbal response.)

24 That item was unanimous. Thank
25 you. Those items, three items; 244, 245,

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2 246.

3 247 is authorizing the County
4 Executive to execute an IMA with the Nassau
5 County Soil and Water Conservation District.

6 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: So moved.

7 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Second.

8 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by
9 Mr. Muscarella and seconded by Ms. Birnbaum.

10 MS. HODAK: Good afternoon
11 legislators. Jane Hodak, Nassau County
12 Department of Public Works.

13 This intermunicipal agreement
14 with the Nassau County Soil and Water
15 Conservation District will further the
16 county's compliance with its storm water
17 permit. The Soil and Water Conservation
18 District performs essential functions
19 related to education and they have done so
20 in the past and they have done so to the
21 satisfaction of the county and the entities
22 that audit our performance under the permit.

23 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: And the money
24 has been budgeted and it's there?

25 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Yes. Any

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2 legislators have questions?

3 (No verbal response.)

4 Is there any public comment?

5 (No verbal response.)

6 All those in favor signify by
7 saying aye.

8 (Aye.)

9 Any opposed?

10 (No verbal response.)

11 Thank you, Ms. Hodak. That item
12 is unanimous.

13 MS. HODAK: Thank you.

14 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: 250 authorize
15 the transfer of appropriations for 2018.

16 LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: So moved.

17 LEGISLATOR MULE: Second.

18 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by
19 Mr. McKevitt and seconded by Ms. Mule.

20 MR. MCMANUS: Bob McManus,
21 District Attorney's Office. This is a
22 budget transfer to transfer money from
23 surpluses and equipment and general expenses
24 to the contractual services line to enable
25 our office to fully utilize civil forfeiture

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2 funding.

3 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Any questions?

4 (No verbal response.)

5 Is there any public comment?

6 (No verbal response.)

7 All those in favor signify by
8 saying aye.

9 (Aye.)

10 Any opposed?

11 (No verbal response.)

12 That's unanimous.

13 252 is another transfer of
14 appropriations.

15 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: So moved.

16 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Second.

17 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by
18 Ms. Birnbaum and seconded by Ms. Walker.

19 MR. PERSICH: Andy Persich,
20 Office of Management and Budget.

21 I'm here for the public
22 administrator. This is transferring money
23 from salaries and general expenses to the DE
24 line for the annual audit that they have to
25 do, state requirement for them to do it as

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2 part of being public administrator.

3 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Any questions?

4 (No verbal response.)

5 Is there any public comment?

6 (No verbal response.)

7 All those in favor signify by
8 saying aye.

9 (Aye.)

10 Any opposed?

11 (No verbal response.)

12 That's unanimous. Thank you.

13 253 is the Nassau County budget
14 for Nassau Community College for the year
15 September 1, 2018 through August 31 of 2019.

16 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: So moved.

17 LEGISLATOR MULE: Second.

18 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by
19 Mr. Muscarella and seconded by Ms. Mule.

20 MS. MURRAY: Kate Murray and Inna
21 Reznick for Nassau Community College.

22 Before you have the proposal for
23 the September 1st, 2018 through August 31st,
24 2019 budget proposal. It was passed by the
25 NCC board of trustees back on May 8th.

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2 It is a budget, we try to be as
3 frugal as we can with our tuition scenario
4 for our students, again, at the same time
5 provide enough funding so that we can
6 continue the excellent education that we
7 believe we provide to thousands of students
8 each and every year.

9 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: How does it
10 compare with other similar colleges?

11 MS. MURRAY: Very similar. We
12 are within a number of dollars with Suffolk
13 Community College with regard to the level
14 of --

15 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: And we do a much
16 better job than they do.

17 MS. MURRAY: Well, there you go.
18 We'd like to think so.

19 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Thank you. Any
20 legislators? Mr. Drucker.

21 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Welcome
22 back, Kate, nice to see you guys.

23 I just had a question, I wanted
24 you to state for us, I know you addressed us
25 in caucus the other night. You are dipping

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2 into the fund balance quite a bit this year.

3 We understand and I commend you
4 for your fiscal responsibility so far and
5 how you manage to bring Nassau Community
6 College back to where it was and it's
7 supposed to be.

8 Just explain where this puts you,
9 Inna, going forward by dipping into the fund
10 balance doubling what you did last year.

11 MS. REZNICK: Inna Reznick, Vice
12 President of Finance, Nassau Community
13 College.

14 In 2019 budget for the Nassau
15 Community College we had projected to use
16 five and a half million dollars of the fund
17 balance. This will allow us to be, 2019,
18 still advanced of 2019 at about five
19 percent, while there is no requirement by
20 SUNY, the guidance is for the fund balance
21 to be anywhere between five and 15 percent.

22 That will still put us in that
23 threshold where we would be above the
24 required minimum. We are hoping that there
25 will be other revenue sources coming in 2020

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2 where we will not have to go back to fund
3 balance on that level.

4 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Can you
5 identify what are some additional revenue
6 additional things might be?

7 MS. REZNICK: Well, we are trying
8 to come up with the ideas and projects and
9 ways of managing our enrollment and
10 retention and our two-thirds of our revenue
11 is volume based.

12 The more students we attract and
13 retain the more revenue we generate for the
14 college.

15 On the expense side, we are
16 trying to be -- we only can be as creative
17 as the environment allows us but we had
18 decreased enrollment -- the mobility, in
19 terms of the space, and we had partnered
20 with the Westbury School District which is a
21 win win for us and them, where they did now
22 rent space from us in the north annex and at
23 the same time we had released ourselves of
24 extra expenses that were not necessary.

25 We have also closed one of the

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2 buildings north annex on campus that allows
3 us to save on utilities and maintenance.

4 So we're trying to think out of
5 the box and find ways to lower the expenses
6 as much as we can. But those are necessary
7 steps to use the fund balance as well as
8 \$124 increase in tuition.

9 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Thank you
10 very much. Again, thank you, I was a
11 witness to the great job that you both have
12 done and continue to do on behalf of Nassau
13 Community College.

14 MS. MURRAY: Thank you,
15 Legislator Drucker.

16 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Legislator Mule
17 is next.

18 LEGISLATOR MULE: Hi. So you
19 referenced the decrease in enrollment and I
20 see it in my notes here there has been a
21 pretty significant decrease. What do you
22 attribute that to and what are you doing to
23 increase that?

24 MS. MURRAY: Well, across the
25 country, actually, the community colleges,

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2 and across New York State, within the CUNY
3 and SUNY system, there are decreases, sort
4 of across the board amongst community
5 colleges.

6 Ours has been a slightly deeper
7 spike for sure, and to be transparent about
8 it than some other community colleges in the
9 state.

10 So we are looking at a number of
11 academic changes; one with, in particular,
12 with our remedial programs which,
13 heretofore, students would have to take
14 before they can start accruing college
15 credits. Now we are going to be adopting
16 come this fall a new formula where students
17 get remedial help but they earn college
18 credits from day one.

19 I believe that that will be a
20 significant help for our students who will
21 feel motivated to continue on even though
22 they may be facing some remediation in their
23 college career. They will from day one earn
24 college credits. That was not the case in
25 the past.

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2 We think that will do a large job
3 in retaining students. Students don't feel
4 successful, they don't feel like they want
5 to go on because they're not actually
6 earning college credits but using financial
7 aid. This could go a long way to helping
8 that retention.

9 Where the board of trustees is
10 increasing the marketing budget which is
11 great so we will be marketing more
12 aggressively.

13 We have many colleges of course
14 around us, Suffolk Community College,
15 Queensboro, they have significantly larger
16 budgets, marketing budgets than we do, so we
17 have to be more creative but the board of
18 trustees is actually stepping up too on the
19 budget for that department.

20 It's sort of an academic assault
21 and a marketing assault and we hope that
22 those two things along with doing budgets of
23 efficiency with renting to Westbury school
24 district and closing down some buildings
25 that we don't necessarily need to save those

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2 utilities, we hope that that patch work of
3 solutions will get us where we need to be.

4 LEGISLATOR MULE: Are you seeing
5 a proportional decrease in applications as
6 well? Is it proportional, the decrease in
7 applications to the decrease in enrollments?

8 MS. MURRAY: I'm actually not
9 sure. I don't have that answer. I can get
10 that.

11 MS. REZNICK: Not sure I
12 understand the question. Do all the people
13 that apply register for classes, is that it?

14 LEGISLATOR MULE: What I'm asking
15 is, the total number of people that apply to
16 Nassau Community College has that gone down
17 proportional to the same amount that you're
18 seeing a decrease in enrollment?

19 MS. MURRAY: I would have to get
20 back to you. Be happy to.

21 LEGISLATOR MULE: I mean, I know
22 you guys do a fantastic job of educating
23 students, and any time I talk to a young
24 person I certainly encourage that as an
25 option. I just want to say that.

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2 My final question is, so what is
3 the current yearly tuition for a full time
4 student?

5 MS. REZNICK: In 2018, the annual
6 tuition is \$5,102.

7 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Any other
8 legislators? Ms. Birnbaum.

9 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Hi. Could
10 you address your faculty, full-time faculty,
11 how are the numbers? Has there been a lot
12 of attrition, what are the numbers like this
13 year, compared to next year's forecast?

14 MS. REZNICK: Currently we have
15 on staff about 592 full time instructors,
16 professors. They're both classroom and
17 non-classroom. But they're full time and
18 they belong to the NCCFT union.

19 That number had decreased -- at
20 592 it's a significant decrease from what it
21 was two years ago.

22 The college in order to control
23 and manage the cost and our expenses and
24 mostly 85 percent personal, between the
25 salary and fringe benefits, so there was a

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2 retirement incentive offered for the members
3 of NCCFT union and that had generated about
4 105 retirements.

5 We had only backfilled a little
6 bit over 30 positions. So that had
7 contributed to the tremendous savings.

8 Cumulatively the savings were in
9 tens of millions of dollars.

10 So that's something that we
11 closely monitor and benchmark ourselves
12 against other community colleges to make
13 sure that we are providing the best
14 education at the most competitive price.

15 MS. MURRAY: I think
16 proportionately, as the enrollment has gone
17 done, we have had those numbers, as Ms.
18 Reznick just referred to, but it had stayed
19 sort of proportionately the same.

20 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Anyone else?

21 (No verbal response.)

22 That's it. Thank you, ladies.
23 Always a pleasure to have you.

24 Any public comment? Mr. Budnick.

25 MR. BUDNICK: I commend the

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2 excellent staff including those two who just
3 made that wonderful presentation. Except
4 there is something missing that you need to
5 know and everybody needs to know.

6 The community college budget was
7 cut by over a million dollars by our
8 illustrious government. He's using the
9 money he's cutting from the community
10 colleges to fund his program to make the
11 "state university free."

12 The increase of tuition for our
13 young people will be over \$600. You're
14 talking about tuition now of in excess of
15 \$5,000 for 17 year olds. This is appalling,
16 it is sickening, it is disgusting, it is not
17 the fault of these fine people at Nassau
18 Community College.

19 It's also not your fault. It's
20 the fault of a person who is a grandizing
21 himself in Albany. He has mugged the
22 students at Nassau Community College. The
23 college that is meant for the young, the
24 minorities, all the people who for some
25 reason are not able to get into the state

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2 universities right now.

3 I find that this whole situation
4 beyond troubling. It's disgusting. It
5 leads me to have an insight of that human
6 being, or alleged human being who is our
7 Governor, than if I say anything further I
8 will probably be saying pornographic words.

9 I'm sorry but what's happened to
10 the community college budget. Look at how
11 much money have taken out of the reserves.
12 That's why it's happening. They're trying
13 to cushion the amount of increase of over
14 \$600 a person.

15 They just had terrible problems
16 with eastern state accrediting association
17 because too many of their students aren't
18 able to continue and finish the program
19 because the college tuition keeps going up.

20 I'm not saying that this is
21 really something you can do about except to
22 reach out to our governor and tell him that
23 what he did to the community college an the
24 community college budget and the community
25 college budget and students is totally

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2 unacceptable.

3 Thank you all very much and my
4 compliments to each and every one of you
5 with all the stuff you guys have to put up
6 with. God bless you.

7 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Any other public
8 comment?

9 (No verbal response.)

10 Hearing none, all those in favor
11 signify by saying aye.

12 (Aye.)

13 Those opposed?

14 (No verbal response.)

15 The budget passes unanimously.

16 Thank you.

17 Number 254, a resolution to
18 accept a gift offered by the VFW Post 235
19 Garden City to Veterans Services Agency.

20 LEGISLATOR WALKER: So moved.

21 LEGISLATOR MULE: Second.

22 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by
23 Ms. Walker and it's seconded by Ms. Mule.

24 We're going to incorporate by
25 reference the testimony of the previous

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2 proceedings, the questions and the testimony
3 of the previous committee that covered this
4 item.

5 (Whereupon, please refer to the
6 minutes of the Veterans and Senior Affairs
7 Committee dated 6-4-18 pertaining to Clerk
8 Item 254.)

9 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That being said,
10 anyone have any further questions, any
11 comments?

12 (No verbal response.)

13 Is there any public comment?

14 (No verbal response.)

15 All those in favor signify by
16 saying aye.

17 (Aye.)

18 Any opposed?

19 (No verbal response.)

20 That item is unanimous.

21 Give me a moment, please.

22 The last item we've got here is
23 Number 255 which is an ordinance
24 supplemental to the annual appropriations
25 for the budget year 2018.

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2 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: So moved.

3 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Second.

4 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: That's moved by
5 Mr. Drucker and seconded by Ms. Birnbaum.

6 MR. PERSICH: Good afternoon,
7 Andy Persich, Management and Budget. This
8 item is part of the whole NIFA budget
9 amendments from the March 15th letter.

10 This incorporates some of the
11 restorations and supplementals that will
12 help the budget fund some other initiatives.
13 Here to answer any questions you may have.

14 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Yes, I do. So
15 you're asking us to appropriate money over
16 here now but it's based upon money that's
17 kind of speculative.

18 We don't know that it's coming in
19 at this point. You've got -- I don't see
20 where we're getting all this money from. If
21 I go back to the letter, the County
22 Executive's letter, there is some of these
23 items that would require in terms of the
24 income side of the ledger, will require
25 Legislative approval I believe that has not

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2 yet been asked for much less granted.

3 And some of these items are kind
4 of speculative and we don't know, it's early
5 going still in the year. So it seems like
6 to me at least maybe it would be somewhat
7 irresponsible for us to go ahead and
8 appropriate money because it will just put
9 us into deficit before we know where this
10 money is coming from.

11 MR. PERSICH: Well, you know,
12 budgets are dynamic as you are aware,
13 legislator, they change month to month, day
14 to day. Things come up and that's what
15 happens.

16 A budget, its inception is a
17 forecast of where we think things are going
18 to come into even when we adopt it, we don't
19 have the revenue in hand for these things to
20 happen.

21 But, yes, there are some concerns
22 and I understand what your concerns are,
23 we'll have to adapt if certain revenues
24 don't come in as we always.

25 Sales tax is very strong right

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2 now and I'm hoping the trend continues.
3 There are other things, if the weather is
4 good, we may have some good revenues in the
5 parks department and in other areas.

6 So I understand what you're
7 concern would be, but I would say budgets
8 change day to day. That's kind of what
9 happens.

10 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: I understand,
11 Mr. Persich, but what I was saying, what I'm
12 trying to say is that we're in June. We're
13 not yet halfway through the year.

14 We would be committing to making
15 changes to the actual expenditure side of
16 the budget and we don't really have to yet
17 because we just don't have to yet. It's
18 early going still. You can still move
19 things around. You have been moving things
20 around, the administration, considerably.
21 As a matter of fact, it's making me dizzy
22 the amount of appropriations that seem to be
23 circling around.

24 MR. PERSICH: That's partly in
25 part of way that the structure of the

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2 Charter is and things that have to be moved.

3 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: No. Again, I'm
4 not being critical here, I'm just trying to
5 observe that it just seems to be
6 considerably more than at least I believe I
7 experienced in the past. That doesn't
8 necessarily mean it's bad, it just is.

9 But I am very concerned as I said
10 about going ahead and making a commitment
11 and appropriating money on the expenditure
12 side and we've not yet nailed down the
13 revenue side.

14 It just seems like that might be
15 somewhat irresponsible and immature. That's
16 my opinion.

17 Any other legislators have
18 anything to say about this? Ms. Birnbaum.

19 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: About what
20 you're saying or about this whole item?

21 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Well, the floor
22 is yours, use it.

23 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: I'm just
24 looking at the actual numbers of the
25 transfers and one is for the Department of

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2 Assessment.

3 I know the Rules Committee will
4 be approving or before them is a candidate
5 actually to chair that department so I see
6 we are putting money into that department
7 for salary and wages.

8 Do we know how many employees
9 this would be?

10 MR. PERSICH: I don't have the
11 actual plan in front of me but this was all
12 part of the plan, fix the assessment system
13 in Nassau. I want to say that program and
14 this is putting additional funds in there to
15 assist in the reassessment of the county and
16 the whole bringing the assessment back to
17 where it needs to be.

18 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: But it
19 would be for salaries though?

20 MR. PERSICH: It would be for
21 salaries, correct. Part and parcel, I don't
22 think from the assessor coming on board,
23 additional staffing in there.

24 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: You don't
25 know how many employees?

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2 MR. PERSICH: I don't have the
3 actual number. I will get that.

4 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Do you know
5 if they're union employees?

6 MR. PERSICH: Yes, they would be,
7 I would imagine it's part of it.

8 LEGISLATOR BIRNBAUM: Could we
9 get that information?

10 MR. PERSICH: I will see what I
11 can get for you.

12 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Legislator
13 Drucker.

14 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Thank you.
15 Can you confirm if the \$7.1 million to DPW
16 is for the bus contract?

17 MR. PERSICH: It's the NICE bus
18 contract. It's the restoration from the
19 original budget that was supposed to be to
20 fund.

21 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: 100 percent?

22 MR. PERSICH: What the request
23 was.

24 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: And what
25 about the one underneath it, the \$794,000 to

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2 Human Services, do you know what that is
3 for?

4 MR. PERSICH: That's the three
5 quarter piece of the other quarter piece of
6 the youth services that were funded only at
7 75 percent.

8 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: So,
9 basically, as has been alluded to here, we
10 are speculating hopefully that these funds
11 come in, if they don't where would you pull
12 the money from?

13 MR. PERSICH: We would have to go
14 through, and we are constantly doing this,
15 we are looking at vacancies, savings
16 elsewhere, other revenue streams that might
17 be coming in. There's things, day to day,
18 this budget changes.

19 Every day I get an email on
20 something and my hope goes up that sales tax
21 stays strong, but you know it's an excise
22 tax, let's be realistic, I hold my breath
23 every time. But it is holding strong.

24 I can only forecast, Moody's
25 forecast supporting that. There's other

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2 things out there. There's goods and bad to
3 gas prices being higher. Inflation is a
4 factor in the number. The economy being
5 strong. We hope. You know what I mean?

6 We match too. Part of the
7 problem my department does is manage the
8 budget, we have to react, and if that means
9 making cuts, then we have to come back to
10 this body and say we are not getting the
11 revenues in. We have to make adjustments to
12 it.

13 Not only do I have you, but I
14 have NIFA behind you asking me the same
15 questions. So it's one of those dynamics of
16 the budgets, they're forecasts, and we hope.

17 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: I'm sure you
18 are going to get asked this question, but
19 the \$23 million that we used from fringe
20 benefits to fund the Restivo judgment,
21 right?

22 MR. PERSICH: Yes.

23 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Does this
24 now go towards replenishing the \$23 million?

25 MR. PERSICH: Yes, there will be

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2 a small opportunity, but not enough to cover
3 the shortfall that we took out to fund it.

4 I'm only replacing a portion of
5 it. If this doesn't work, I'm going to have
6 a hole in fringe benefits at the end of the
7 year.

8 LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: That's what
9 I'm afraid of. Thank you, Andy.

10 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Now, Andy,
11 what's the Comptroller's position on this?

12 MR. PERSICH: From my current
13 conversation with the Comptroller's Office,
14 they are more worried about actual results
15 than budgetary results, so -- and our board
16 transfers get over to them.

17 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: And it's a
18 little early for actual results.

19 MR. PERSICH: We'll be coming up
20 to the June Finance meeting.

21 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: So I will just
22 state what my position is. I think that
23 this is going to go through another
24 committee, going through Rules, and probably
25 it's going to go through the Full Leg.

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2 I would be willing to pass it
3 through and I don't know what the other
4 members will do, but I just want to make it
5 clear, at least I guess I'm speaking for my
6 side over here. I'm very skeptical at this
7 point. What we would be doing is, we would
8 be creating a hole, we would be building a
9 field of dreams here. We are going to be
10 spending all this money, committed to be
11 spending all this money.

12 We're hoping that we will get the
13 revenue to cover it and that's not
14 responsible as far as I'm concerned.

15 At this point I need a lot more
16 comfort before I would be comfortable
17 voting. I guess that was kind of circular
18 there.

19 I'd need a lot more detail before
20 I would be comfortable voting at the Full
21 Leg to approve any such appropriation.

22 So I'll just make it clear as I
23 said that, this is merely for the purpose of
24 passing it through and give you the
25 opportunity by the time this does reach the

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2 full leg to make it a more comprehensive
3 presentation that might satisfy these
4 concerns.

5 MR. PERSICH: Absolutely. We
6 would be more than happy to work with you.

7 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Right. Thank
8 you. Anyone else?

9 (No verbal response.)

10 Any public comment? Mr. Budnick.

11 MR. BUDNICK: Chairman Kopel, the
12 problem that you are having, I respectfully
13 submit, is reflective of the fact that the
14 County Legislature, as currently
15 constituted, does not have the presence of
16 either the County Comptroller nor the County
17 Executive here at the County Legislature.

18 I believe that is wrong and that
19 the change that came to bring that about was
20 incorrect.

21 I leave that with you guys to do
22 whatever you think is appropriate. May the
23 good lord bless and keep you, one and all.

24 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: If I
25 might just comment on that, Mr. Budnick,

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2 that's because you remember back in the days
3 of the Board of Supervisors, where the
4 County Executive and the Comptroller were at
5 those meetings.

6 MR. BUDNICK: And the County
7 Attorney were all present and non voting
8 members. That's when I was special
9 assistant to the board.

10 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Those were the
11 days.

12 MR. BUDNICK: Good luck and God
13 bless. Safe home.

14 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: All those favor?
15 (Aye.)

16 Any opposed?

17 (No verbal response.)

18 That item is passed unanimously.
19 There are no other items. Motion to
20 adjourn.

21 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: So moved.

22 LEGISLATOR MULE: Second.

23 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Mr. Muscarella
24 moves to adjourn and Ms. Mule seconds it.
25 All those in favor of adjourning signify by

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2 saying aye.

3 (Aye.)

4 Any opposed?

5 (No verbal response.)

6 We are adjourned. Back to Rules.

7 (Whereupon, the Finance Committee

8 adjourned at 5:14 p.m.)

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