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NASSAU COUNTY LEGISLATURE

RICHARD NICOLELLO,
Presiding Officer

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

DENISE FORD, Chairwoman

1550 Franklin Avenue
Mineola, New York

Wednesday, October 3, 2018
1:25 P.M

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

DENISE FORD,
Chairwoman

STEVE RHOADS,
Vice Chairman

VINCENT MUSCARELLA

JOHN R. FERRETTI

DELIA DERIGGI-WHITTON,
Ranking

SIELA BYNOE

DEBRA MULE

MICHAEL PULITZER
Clerk of the Legislature

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LIST OF SPEAKERS

NARDA HALL 5

1 Public Safety Committee/10-3-18

2 CHAIRWOMAN FORD: At this time I
3 will call the Public Safety Committee to
4 order and ask the clerk to call the roll.

5 CLERK PULITZER: Thank you.

6 Public Safety Committee roll call.

7 Legislator Mule?

8 LEGISLATOR MULE: Here.

9 CLERK PULITZER: Legislator
10 Bynoe?

11 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Here.

12 CLERK PULITZER: Ranking Member
13 Delia DeRiggi-Whitton?

14 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Here.

15 CLERK PULITZER: Legislator John
16 Ferretti?

17 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Here.

18 CLERK PULITZER: Legislator

19 Vincent Muscarella?

20 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: Here.

21 CLERK PULITZER: Vice Chair
22 Legislator Rhoads?

23 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Here.

24 CLERK PULITZER: Chairwoman
25 Denise Ford?

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2 CHAIRWOMAN FORD: Here.

3 CLERK PULITZER: We have a
4 quorum, ma'am.

5 CHAIRWOMAN FORD: Thank you very
6 much, sir. There is only one item on the
7 agenda today which is Clerk Item 516-18, an
8 ordinance supplemental to the annual
9 appropriation ordinance in connection with
10 the correctional center.

11 May I have a motion?

12 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: So moved.

13 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Second.

14 CHAIRWOMAN FORD: Moved by
15 Legislator Muscarella, seconded by
16 Legislator Rhoads. The item is before us.
17 Who is here? Good afternoon.

18 MS. HALL: Narda Hall,
19 Correctional Center. Item 516-18 is a
20 supplemental appropriation request for
21 \$463,136 to be received from the federal
22 drug enforcement agency deposited with the
23 county treasurer. The amount and timing for
24 receipt of the funds is dependent on the
25 amount of seizures as well as completion of

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2 pending investigations and convictions. The
3 fund is used towards canine expenses.

4 CHAIRWOMAN FORD: You say the
5 money, the \$400,000, once you have seizures
6 or whatever, you will be able to receive
7 this funding and spend it on canine
8 expenses?

9 MS. HALL: Yes. This is the dog
10 money for the canine currently we have at
11 JFK Airport.

12 CHAIRWOMAN FORD: How many canine
13 dogs are we supplying?

14 MS. HALL: We currently have
15 seven.

16 CHAIRWOMAN FORD: Plus the
17 handlers, right?

18 MS. HALL: Yes.

19 CHAIRWOMAN FORD: Any debate or
20 discussion? Legislator Bynoe.

21 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Thank you,
22 Chairwoman. Hi Narda, how are you?

23 MS. HALL: Good. Thank you.

24 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: So that is
25 going to cover the cost of the seven dogs

1 Public Safety Committee/10-3-18
2 and the handlers?

3 MS. HALL: Seven dogs and the
4 handlers. We use the funding for food,
5 veterinary services. Also, equipment
6 purchases, the kennels for the dogs, we are
7 recently made purchases of three canine
8 vehicles for the canines and any other
9 expenses that occur for the canines.

10 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Does that
11 offset the total cost or is this just
12 partial?

13 MS. HALL: This is partial. The
14 funding is received over a period of time so
15 we receive in increments anywhere from \$500
16 to \$1,000 a month. We receive it on a
17 monthly basis.

18 Because of the timing in which we
19 receive it, we usually wait until we have a
20 substantial amount and we come to the Leg,
21 otherwise we will be here every single
22 month.

23 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Thank you,
24 Narda.

25 CHAIRWOMAN FORD: Are there any

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2 questions from the legislators?

3 (No verbal response.)

4 Is there any public comment?

5 (No verbal response.)

6 There being none, all those in
7 favor of passing this item signify by saying
8 aye.

9 (Aye.)

10 Any opposed?

11 (No verbal response.)

12 The item passes unanimously.

13 Since there is no other business in front of
14 this committee, may I have a motion to
15 adjourn?

16 LEGISLATOR MUSCARELLA: So moved.

17 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Second.

18 CHAIRWOMAN FORD: Moved by

19 Legislator Muscarella, seconded by

20 Legislator Rhoads. All in favor?

21 (Aye.)

22 This committee is now adjourned.

23 Have a good afternoon.

24 (Whereupon, the Public Safety

25 Committee adjourned at 1:28 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 stated:

THAT I attended at the time and place
above mentioned and took stenographic record
of the proceedings in the above-entitled
matter;

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 19th day of October, 2018.

FRANK GRAY