

RULES, ENACTMENTS & INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE
Held In Room 318
PUTNAM COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
CARMEL, NEW YORK 10512

Members: Chairwoman LoBue, Legislators Tartaro & Wright

Monday August 18, 2014
(Immediately Following Economic Development Beginning at 5:30pm)

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 P.M. by Chairwoman LoBue who requested Legislator Oliverio lead in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, Legislators Tartaro and Wright and Chairwoman LoBue were present.

Item #3 - Approval of Minutes – July 21, 2014

The minutes were approved as submitted.

Legislator Wright made a motion to waive the rules and accept the additional; Seconded by Legislator Tartaro. All in favor.

Item #4 - Discussion/ Tilly Foster Farm Advisory Board

Legislator Oliverio stated the press reported that there was a Tilly Foster Farm Advisory Board in existence. He stated the Administration sent correspondence explaining the article in the paper had misrepresented the Board and that it is a Task Force rather than an Advisory Board. He questioned if the Tilly Foster Task Force "Task Force" still exists.

Deputy County Executive Bruce Walker stated the Task Force does still exist, however they have not met since the comprehensive plan had been created.

Legislator Oliverio questioned if the Task Force will be a quasi-advisory board moving forward.

Deputy County Executive Walker stated it would not be. He stated the goal of the Task Force was to set up the comprehensive plan.

Legislator Oliverio questioned if there would be a governing board.

Deputy County Executive Walker stated the governing board is Commissioner of Highways & Facilities Fred Pena who works closely with other department heads and the Administration.

Legislator Oliverio stated at the Farm, there is machinery in a barn with a padlock on it. He questioned if the Legislators would be able to take a look inside the barn.

Deputy County Executive Walker stated there are two (2) small tractors in the barn. He stated the Legislators are welcome to tour the area. He stated Chris Ruthven, who works in the Parks Department, holds the key to that lock.

Legislator Albano questioned if the antique machinery was still at the Farm.

Deputy County Executive Walker stated the antique machinery is underneath the lodge.

Item #5 - Discussion/ Maintenance of Foreclosed Properties

Legislator Oliverio stated a constituent of his, Ted Muniak, brought to his attention the foreclosed properties in the Lake Peekskill area which are being neglected in terms of maintenance. He stated the municipality that foreclosed the property, whether it be a bank or the County, will not take responsibility for the maintenance due to the fact that the property is still in the previous owner's name. He stated many times, the previous owner has left the area and cannot afford to stay or maintain the property. He stated his constituent made a good point in that the foreclosed houses are eyesores and they diminish the worth of the surrounding properties

Chairwoman LoBue stated these properties bring down the aesthetics of the area and it affects the property value of the nearby houses.

Legislator Wright stated when foreclosure goes through, the bank then owns the property. He stated at the conclusion of the foreclosure process, the deed is given to the bank. He stated generally, maintenance is taken care of on a more local level, such as the Town.

Legislator Oliverio stated when the banks have been approached by the building inspector, they have not taken responsibility for the properties.

Legislator Wright stated ownership is not a gray area. He stated once the foreclosure goes through the bank becomes the owner. He stated the only way to control the maintenance is to have a maintenance standard. He stated such a standard is not generally County wide.

Chairwoman LoBue questioned if this matter was referring to bank or County foreclosures.

Legislator Oliverio stated both types of foreclosures are being discussed.

Legislator Albano stated this is a Town issue. He stated there are guidelines in the building code as well. He stated it is a matter of enforcement.

County Attorney Jennifer Bumgarner stated everything stated is correct and it is really a home rule issue. She stated it falls under the town's authority. She stated in order to enforce this, the building inspector must issue a notice of violation.

Legislator Oliverio clarified if the property is fully foreclosed; it then belongs to the entity that foreclosed it.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated that is correct.

Legislator Wright stated a foreclosure can last one (1) to three (3) years.

Legislator Oliverio clarified since the foreclosure may still be in progress, the bank may not yet own the property.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated the property is either owned by the property owner or the bank.

Legislator Wright stated once the property is in the bank's possession, they can hire a gardener and add the charge into the foreclosure expenses.

Legislator Tartaro questioned if the process is the town initiates an action, contracts someone to do the work, and a lien is then put on the property.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated generally, a notice of violation is issued to the property owner.

Legislator Tartaro questioned what happens if these steps are taken and still nothing is done.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated this had occurred within the County at a gas station where serious damage was being done to a neighboring property. She stated the town put up a retaining wall and filed a lien on the property.

County Executive MaryEllen Odell stated when Legislator Oliverio was contacted by his constituent he could have checked with the County Clerk's office to see what name was on the title for the foreclosed properties. She also stated the properties that are foreclosed by the County are well maintained. She stated many times the owner will walk away in the middle of the foreclosure as it can be timely.

Legislator Scuccimarra stated unfortunately, this may be a sign of the times. She stated in 2013 there were 551 foreclosures. She stated banks do not want to be in the real estate business.

Item #6 - Approval/ Budgetary Amendment (14A074)/ Law Department/ Legal Services/ General Contingencies (Revised by Fund Transfer 14T175)

Chairwoman LoBue stated she requested a breakdown on this budgetary amendment that has not yet been received. She stated she is uncomfortable passing the amendment without further information.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated she brought information with her to the meeting to hand out. She stated she could not give a complete breakdown, as the amount of \$50,000 was an estimate. She stated there was \$170,000 budgeted for the year and to date, over \$164,000 has been spent.

Chairwoman LoBue made a motion to waive the rules and accept the additional; Seconded by Legislator Tartaro. All in favor.

Legislator Oliverio clarified that this budgetary amendment is anticipatory.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated that is correct. She stated year to date, the funds in the line have been exhausted.

Legislator Tartaro questioned if the \$50,000 will cover their legal services to the end of the year.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated it is her hope that the \$50,000 will be enough. Referring to the pie chart she provided to the Legislature, she stated the red piece of the pie represents disciplinary matters. She stated over the past two (2) years there has been an increase in bringing charges. She stated one (1) case which involved the termination of an employee was long and difficult and cost \$30,000. She stated she believes \$50,000 will suffice for the remainder of the year due to the fact that this specific case is nearly ended. She stated Deputy County Attorney Dan Harvey has been helpful since he began as he had labor relations experience. She stated because of this, more can be done in-house. She stated there is nothing coming up as of now and she does not anticipate having to spend much more money on labor.

Chairwoman LoBue questioned why County Attorney Bumgarner did not come to the Committee earlier.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated it is difficult to forecast. She stated a voucher may come in for a large amount and it could deplete the line. However, if smaller vouchers come in, they can be paid and the line slowly decreases.

Legislator Albano stated the amount is an estimate and is not spent yet. He stated it is reasonable to move the money into the line so it is there if the Law Department needs it.

Legislator Wright questioned if the amount of \$170,000 was higher or lower than 2013.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated \$170,000 was less than was spent in 2013. She stated the Department has under budgeted the past three (3) years. She stated in 2011, the legal services line was reduced drastically and in 2012, 2013, and 2014 there

was unanticipated litigation commenced against them and they commenced costly litigation as well. She stated they have been up around the \$300,000 range.

Legislator Albano clarified that the costs are up.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated that is correct.

Legislator Albano stated this money is needed to take care of matters that needed to be attended to.

Chairwoman LoBue stated she is concerned with the litigation with employees.

Legislator Wright stated the Legislature does not have control over that litigation.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated it is a spike in terms of spending, however it is not a spike in terms of behavior. She stated it is now a matter of it being addressed.

Legislator Wright made a motion to approve budgetary amendment (14A074) as revised by fund transfer (14T175); Seconded by Legislator Tartaro. All in favor.

Item #7 - Discussion/ Adoption of Legislation Regarding Cost Benefit Analysis of All Private Contracts in Excess of \$5,000

Legislator Oliverio stated the Town of Southeast Supervisor Tony Hay currently posts the Town's monthly expenditures on their website. He stated he would like the County to post their expenditures each month as well. He stated he would like anything over \$5,000 to be posted. He stated the public has a right to know what the money is being spent on. He stated the money is not being re-budgeted as the money is already available in the line, it is only showing what was purchased with that money.

Chairwoman LoBue stated the format that the Town of Southeast uses is great and easy to find. She stated it is clear and promotes 100% transparency. She stated after the discussion on this matter that ensued last month, she had constituents tell her a \$25,000 baseline was too high.

Legislator Oliverio stated this will not slow the purchasing process down.

Chairwoman LoBue stated this will make purchases or requests more clear to not only the public, but the Legislature as well.

Legislator Wright stated what is being discussed is the digital version of the appropriation records he had inquired about last month. He stated County Auditor Michele Sharkey has access to the full appropriation record. He stated he is concerned with the transition of this to public availability as it may burden staff.

Chairwoman LoBue stated this will be posted after the money is spent and will not delay the purchase.

Legislator Wright stated this will show where the money went, not where the money is going.

Legislator Oliverio stated the Town of Putnam Valley is looking to do this as well.

Legislator Tartaro stated this can be segregated into two (2) different things; a list of expenditures and a monthly update of what is being spent.

Legislator Oliverio stated he would like this to show only the expenditures.

Legislator Tartaro stated he is unsure how many items are purchased throughout the course of a month.

Legislator Oliverio stated that is why a base price is necessary.

Legislator Tartaro stated the base price should be higher than \$5,000.

Legislator Oliverio stated \$15,000 is a reasonable amount. He stated this needs to be tested to make sure the amount of work is doable.

Legislator Wright stated before this is approved, County Auditor Sharkey should be asked to look into how much work would this would be and provide an update at the next meeting.

Legislator Scuccimarra agreed and stated it is important to ensure this is not labor intensive to any department.

Chairwoman LoBue stated this will be broken into two (2) components. She stated having this on a monthly basis is excellent.

Legislative Counsel Clem Van Ross stated this matter should be sent to the Audit & Administration Committee for further review with the input of Commissioner of Finance William Carlin.

Legislator Oliverio agreed.

Chairwoman LoBue stated she believes this is brilliant and leads to total transparency.

Legislator Wright stated he would like more information before any approval. He stated he would like the posting to include how much is spent and how much money is left in the line.

County Auditor Sharkey stated she will work on getting more information.

Legislator Wright made a motion to move this discussion to the Audit Committee; Seconded by Legislator Tartaro. All in favor.

Item #8 - Discussion/ Supreme Court's Ruling of Upholding Prayer at Local Government Meetings/ County Attorney

Legislator Wright made a motion to approve upholding prayer at local governmental meetings; Seconded by Chairwoman LoBue. All in favor.

**Item #9 - Approval/ Amend Chapter 83 of the Code of Putnam County
"Department of Probation"**

Chairwoman LoBue stated this was tabled at the July Rules Committee Meeting. She stated this amendment would allow the Probation Department to charge probationers for drug testing.

Legislator Albano stated the Probation Department should be able to charge whether they collect the money or not.

Legislator Wright stated he has an issue with the fact that it has been made public that this provision will not be enforced. He stated those who know it will not be enforced will not pay. He stated the County will look foolish if this is not enforced.

Legislator Oliverio questioned who confirmed this would not be enforced.

Legislator Albano stated it is too expensive to enforce.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated Probation bills are enforced by her office. She stated their name is sent to the Law Department, who sends the probationer a letter and if nothing is received, they are taken to small claims court.

Legislator Albano stated the individual is there because they committed a crime and they should pay the fee that was created as an outcome.

Deputy County Attorney Sandra Fusco stated there are indigence provisions for those who cannot afford to pay the bill as well.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated sometimes the Law Department will get a response to a letter with a portion of the amount due explaining that it is all they can afford. She stated people will often pay piece by piece as they are able to.

Legislator Albano stated this is not a punishment, it is a cost.

Legislator Wright made a motion to approve the amendment; Seconded by Legislator Tartaro. All in favor.

Item #10 - Discussion/ Enacting a Local Law for Putnam County/ Regulating the Use of Polystyrene Foam Disposable Food Service Ware by Chain Food Service Establishments

- a) New York State Assembly and Senate Bill Update**
- b) Albany County Information**
- c) Office for Senior Resources Cost Analysis**
- d) Resolution #60 of 2014/ In Support of Assembly Bill A04973A and Senate Bill S3419A/ Proposing Banning use of Polystyrene**

Legislator Scuccimarra stated there is a correction to be made in the title of this item. She stated the proposed local law is not for chain food service establishments, but it is for municipalities.

Chairwoman LoBue stated the Office for Senior Resources submitted a cost analysis of their Styrofoam purchases compared to what alternative materials, mostly paper would cost. She stated the cost of paper was much higher than that of the Styrofoam. However, when compared to what the paper could cost when purchased off the County bid list, the paper products are more affordable.

Legislator Scuccimarra stated there is no doubt paper products are more expensive but the health of our seniors and school children must be taken into consideration. She stated this material is sitting in landfills as there is no way to recycle it. She stated Carmel Schools and the Putnam County Office for Senior Resources use a huge amount of polystyrene foam. She stated the goal is not to implement this right away, but six (6) to nine (9) months down the road to allow time to find alternative materials. She stated this is beginning to happen all around Putnam County.

Chairwoman LoBue stated some counties are much bigger than Putnam County, therefore their senior centers are much larger and because of this they operate with commercial dishwashers and are able to use china. She stated because Putnam County is on the smaller scale, disposable materials are being used.

Legislator Scuccimarra stated the more counties that enact similar legislation, the more paper products will be used which should cause the price to decrease.

Legislator Albano stated this is a health issue. He stated although it is more expensive now to buy paper products, it may save more money in the long run. He stated money would be saved in terms of health care costs since there would be less polystyrene in the environment.

Chairwoman LoBue stated the plastic that lines paper cups are also non-recyclable. She stated paper cups also require a cuff to protect from the heat of the beverage.

Legislator Scuccimarra stated there are heat resistant cups available for purchase on the bid list.

Legislator Oliverio stated he recently went to Wendy's and his food was given to him in a cardboard box and when he questioned it, he was told they no longer use Styrofoam.

Chairwoman LoBue stated more information needs to be gathered and a resolution needs to be formulated.

Eric Gross, Reporter, questioned if this was in regard to chain food establishments.

Chairwoman LoBue stated no, it will be implemented in-house to start. She stated perhaps the business community should be informed that this is being considered.

Legislator Scuccimarra stated the resolution in the Senate includes all municipalities. She provided the example of schools, towns, and the county.

Legislator Oliverio stated schools are huge entities that use a mass amount of Styrofoam.

Chairwoman LoBue stated right after the budget the superintendents should be contacted and invited to the meeting to voice their opinions.

Legislator Scuccimarra stated Carmel Schools have said they use too much Styrofoam and they would welcome the regulation.

Item #11 - Approval/ Amend Local Law #9 of 2012/ In Relation to Requirement of Providing an Apprenticeship Training Program and Having Appropriate Apprenticeship Agreements in Place by Contractors/ Subcontractors to Putnam County Project Labor Agreements in Connection with the Purchase of Construction Goods and Services for Major Construction Projects

Chairwoman LoBue stated this is a proposed amendment to include an apprenticeship program to the current Project Labor Agreement (PLA) law. She stated in doing research, she found that the Association of General Contractors of America is against PLAs. She stated she also found that the Federal Government is knocking down the use of PLA due to lawsuits. She stated she is concerned about the financial impact this may bring because in researching she found PLAs had been tied to an increase in cost. She also stated she is concerned about non-union contractors possibly being boxed out.

Legislator Oliverio stated no contractor will be boxed out due to this law. He stated he understands Chairwoman LoBue's concerns; however the base pricing is high and therefore will only apply to large projects. He stated it is great to train young people in preparation for their future.

Chairwoman LoBue stated she believes the economic threshold of \$1 million is low. She stated small projects can become very costly. She provided an example of the pedestrian bridge in Brewster, which cost \$2 million. She stated the construction business has been hit hard by the economy and she believes this amendment may be giving a certain group an advantage.

Legislator Albano stated Mr. Edward Cooke, the Council Representative for the Northeast Regional Council of Carpenters was present at last month's meeting to discuss this matter and he would like to hear from him again. He stated he likes that the law gives New York contractors a heads up. He stated this is a way for an apprentice to get their foot in the door and gain experience.

Legislator Tartaro stated he has a lot of experience with unions, as he was the Chairman and union representative at the school where he worked for UFT (United Federation of Teachers), he was the Vice President of Local 461, the lifeguards union and he also sat on the Town of Kent negotiating team. He stated he believes having an apprenticeship program is a wonderful thing. He questioned if this amendment would apply only to County projects or projects partially funded by County tax dollars or East of Hudson Watershed funding. He stated his reason for raising this question is to clarify what tax dollars would be used, either County municipality, local municipality, or both.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated it would apply to County projects and County funded projects. She stated the \$1 million threshold within the law does not require the use of a PLA. She stated if there is a project that will cost more than \$1 million, the law requires that an analysis be conducted to determine if it would be more efficient to use a PLA. She stated in most cases, it would not be more efficient to use a PLA. She stated a PLA was considered for the Morningthorpe Bridge project in Brewster. She stated it was not deemed beneficial due to the fact that there were not enough trades involved in the project to make it worthwhile. She stated the PLA does not box out non-union companies, it only requires that the company adhere to the terms of the PLA. She stated this allows for better scheduling of the different tradespeople. She stated the new Courthouse is a great example of a project where a PLA may have been beneficial. She stated this is due to the many different trades that were utilized in the construction of the Courthouse.

Chairwoman LoBue stated she is concerned that the contractors will not have an equal opportunity to bid on projects. She stated she is also concerned with the cost. She stated in her research she found that Governor Cuomo did not use a PLA for the Tappan Zee Bridge Project as it would cost nearly double the price.

Legislator Oliverio stated in the case of the Tappan Zee Bridge, they were able to conduct the analysis and determine that it would not have been beneficial to use the PLA. He stated there may be some projects where the PLA is cost effective and others where it is not.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated all that is required is the analysis.

Legislator Tartaro questioned if a non-union company could participate in a union sponsored apprenticeship program or bid.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated non-union contractors can bid.

Legislator Tartaro stated he would like to make it clear if anything is being eliminated.

Chairwoman LoBue stated this issue is not black and white and this is why it has been tabled twice.

Deputy County Attorney Sandra Fusco stated the first thing to do is establish whether or not a PLA will be used in a project.

Legislator Tartaro questioned if the project will go out to bid, and then it will be decided if a PLA will be used or not.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated the analysis will be conducted prior to the project going out to bid. She stated the Court of Appeals held that the use of a PLA is more likely to be upheld when an independent audit is conducted. She stated no one within the County would conduct the analysis. She stated someone would be hired to take the engineer's specs and the architect's drawings and they would determine if the PLA would potentially save money and result in higher efficiency. She stated the PLA would then be included in the RFP so the contractors are aware of the fact that they would be required to comply with the requirements of the PLA if they won the bid.

Legislator Tartaro questioned if a contractor who is non-union could bid.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated a non-union contractor can bid, as long as they are willing to comply with the terms of the PLA.

Legislator Tartaro stated a non-union shop could provide the apprenticeship program and still bid.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated that is correct.

Legislator Tartaro stated this means no one is eliminated from bidding.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated that is correct.

Chairwoman LoBue questioned if the contractor must pay dues to the union in order to have an apprenticeship program.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated they do not need to pay dues to the union.

Deputy County Attorney Fusco stated in the last meeting, Mr. Cooke mentioned that there are more non-union contractors that utilize the apprenticeship program.

Legislator Tartaro questioned if there is a distinction between a union and a non-union apprenticeship program.

Deputy County Attorney Fusco stated there is no distinction. She stated there are apprenticeship agreements which are approved by the Commissioner of Labor. She stated there are many different agreements that a contractor can sign onto. She stated if an agreement is signed onto, they must agree to those terms.

Ms. Fanizzi clarified that this is an amendment to an existing law and that the County currently has a PLA law. She stated what is being discussed is an apprenticeship program.

Chairwoman LoBue stated that is correct.

Ms. Fanizzi shared an experience where she had a flood in her home. She stated she called a local plumbing company, who sent a young man who had gone through training at BOCES and was gaining experience in order to take his licensing exam. She stated the local plumber is non-union. She stated she is concerned with precluding routes people may take. She questioned how people enter the apprenticeship program if the apprenticeship program is controlled by the union. She stated this may be monopolizing the routes to making a living. She questioned who makes the PLA and who makes the apprenticeship.

Legislator Oliverio stated this would not be precluding the avenue that young man took.

Legislator Tartaro stated he knows many union members and they agreed that the union is having a tough time recruiting people. He stated there are avenues for tradespeople where they can go through a journeyman apprenticeship program.

Ms. Fanizzi stated in her research she was unable to find an instance where there has not been an increased cost. She questioned if Legislator Albano uses union people during construction jobs.

Legislator Albano stated he does not. He stated he likes the apprenticeship program, union or non-union.

Chairwoman LoBue questioned if this is union specific.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated it is not union specific.

Chairwoman LoBue stated it includes labor, materials, and goods needed.

County Attorney Bumgarner stated she confirmed with Director of Consumer Affairs Jean Noel that there are a certain number of apprenticeship hours that the plumbing and electrical laws require prior to taking the exam.

Ms. Fanizzi stated she does not want alternate routes precluded.

Legislator Albano stated at the last meeting, Mr. Cooke mentioned that the apprentices would need to be New York residents and there is a 4:1 ratio between non-union and union companies who utilize the apprenticeship program.

Legislator Wright made a motion to approve the amendment; Seconded by Legislator Tartaro. All in favor.

Item #12 - County Soliciting Donations/ County Attorney/ FYI – Duly Noted

Item #13 - Approval/ Appointment of Home Improvement Board Members/ Domin & Porcelli

Director Noel stated both Peter Domin, of Southeast, and Michael Porcelli, of Carmel, are currently serving on the Home Improvement Board. She stated their re-appointment went through the Home Improvement Board process, but never made its way to the Legislature.

Legislator Tartaro questioned if the Board will be full with these re-appointments.

Director Noel stated there is one (1) opening on the Board.

Legislator Tartaro questioned when their terms will expire.

Director Noel stated they will expire in 2016.

Legislator Tartaro made a motion to approve the appointment of Mr. Domin and Mr. Porcelli to the Home Improvement Board; Seconded by Legislator Wright. All in favor.

Item #14 - Approval/ Electrical Board/ Fee Schedule/ Electrical Journeymen License

Director Noel stated the fee is a \$50 shelving fee. She stated her Department is in the process of organizing a file management system. She stated they would like to make everything as consistent as possible. She stated obtaining a Journeymen license is a two (2) year process and costs \$100. She stated according to the laws, a Journeyman must work under a Master. She stated there are times when someone was working under a Master electrician but no longer works for the company and were renewing their Journeyman license. She stated this was sometimes done using the same company name, or with no company name. She stated in order to hold a valid Journeyman card, that person must have a Master. She stated workers are apprehensive to surrender

their card because once they no longer have a Master and they give up their card, they also lose their record of time and service. She stated she and the Board have come to a compromise that the application would be accepted with no assigned company however, the card will be shelved. She stated with a shelved card, the Journeyman will not physically have the card, but their time will still accrue and they will not lose their Journeyman status. She stated they will not need to be tested again however, they will be unable to work without the physical card.

Legislator Albano questioned how much an active Journeyman License costs.

Director Noel stated it costs \$100 for a two (2) year cycle. She stated it costs \$50 to shelve the card and if the worker would like to take their card off the shelf, they pay the difference. She stated this keeps the cards from being in circulation while the individual can hold their status.

Legislator Wright questioned how many Masters are in the County.

Director Noel stated in there are about 400 Master Electricians. She stated 400 Journeyman applications have been sent out for renewal and they expected to get over 300 back. She stated the Department is expecting that about 10% will come back without a company named as a Master.

Legislator Wright questioned if some Journeymen are from outside the County.

Director Noel stated yes, there are reciprocals from Westchester.

Legislator Tartaro questioned what would happen in the case of someone losing their job.

Director Noel stated they are happy to be able to keep their status.

Legislator Tartaro questioned if they were accruing additional time, or if the shelving just allowed them to hold their place.

Director Noel stated they are holding their place. She stated if they lose their status, they would have to take an exam and begin over again.

Legislator Wright questioned what would happen if in the 11 year plan, a first year Journeyman is fired and shelves his card and waits ten (10) years.

Director Noel stated that individual would not have ten (10) years of service. She stated W2s and other documentation would need to be provided.

Legislator Wright clarified that the shelving of the card is subject to the Board's consideration of what that person was doing while the card was shelved.

Director Noel stated that is correct. She stated it is to avoid cards being issued without a company or Master.

Legislator Albano stated it is important for the person to document their hours. He stated this makes sense so the individual doesn't lose their place.

County Attorney Bumgarner questioned if the card could be taken back to be shelved without the \$50 charge.

Director Noel stated that cards are being processed. She stated although this specific license is \$50 to shelve, there are more expensive licenses to shelve. She stated when she did the analysis there was a negative impact of \$2,000. She stated it solves the problem of getting the cards off the street.

Legislator Albano stated those who are shelving the card are those Journeymen who are serious about coming back to pick up where he left off. He stated when that person does come back, they are only being charged the difference.

Legislator Wright made a motion to approve the Electrical Journeymen Fee Schedule; Seconded by Legislator Tartaro. All in favor.

Item #15 - Litigation Report/ FYI – Duly Noted

Item #16 - Other Business – None

Item #17 - Adjournment

There being no further business at 7:42 P.M. Legislator Wright made a motion to adjourn; Seconded by Chairwoman LoBue. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted by, Administrative Assistant, Beth Green.