



Buildings & Grounds Committee

Special Meeting

60 Central Ave.
Cortland, NY 13045
<https://www.cortlandcountyny.gov>

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Thursday, June 27, 2024

4:30 PM

Room 302

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:34 PM by Committee Chair Paul Heider

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Beau Harbin	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
Dominick Mantella	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
Joseph Nauseef	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
Ronald J. Van Dee	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
Keith VanGorder	Cortland County, NY	Committee Member	Present	
Eugene Waldbauer	Cortland County, NY	Committee Vice-Chair	Excused	
Paul Heider	Cortland County, NY	Committee Chair	Present	
Savannah Hempstead	Cortland County, NY	Clerk of the Legislature	Present	
Kevin Fitch	Cortland County, NY	Chair of the Legislature	Present	
Rob Corpora	Cortland County, NY	County Administrator	Present	
Charles Sudbrink	Cortland County, NY	Superintendent of Highways	Present	
Alan Ricottilli	Cortland County, NY	Deputy Highway Superintendent	Present	
Cathy Bischoff	Cortland County, NY	Board Member	Present	
Andrea Herzog	Cortland County, NY	Director of Finance	Present	
Melanie Vilardi	Cortland County, NY	Deputy County Administrator	Present	
Victoria J. Monty	Cortland County, NY		Present	
William McGovern	Cortland County, NY		Present	
Sandra Price	Cortland County, NY	Board Member	Present	

Resolutions

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – Rescind Resolution No. 177-22 Authorizing Memorandum of Understanding and Terminate Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Cortland for City Court Space in the County Courthouse - Buildings & Grounds Department

RESULT: APPROVED [5 TO 1]

Next: 6/27/2024 6:00 PM

MOVER: Ronald J. Van Dee, Committee Member

SECONDER: Joseph Nauseef, Committee Member

AYES: Mantella, Nauseef, Van Dee, VanGorder, Heider

NAYS: Beau Harbin

EXCUSED: Eugene Waldbauer

ON MOTION OF HEIDER

Rescind Resolution No. 177-22 Authorizing Memorandum of Understanding and Terminate Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Cortland for City Court Space in the County Courthouse - Buildings & Grounds Department

WHEREAS, the Cortland County Legislature adopted Resolution No. 177-22 Authorizing Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Cortland for City Court Space in the County Courthouse; AND

WHEREAS, Elizabeth A. Burns has been appointed as Judge on the New York State Court of Claims and shall also serve as Acting Supreme Court Justice; AND

WHEREAS, the State of New York Unified Court System has also advised of the creation of an additional Family Court Judge in Cortland County with a term commencing January 1, 2025; AND

WHEREAS, New York State Law requires that the County of Cortland provide suitable space for holding each of these courts; AND

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Cortland and the City of Cortland set forth the intention of the County to provide space to the City as approved by the State of New York Unified Court System; AND

WHEREAS, Officials from the Sixth Judicial District Administrative notified the County on June 13, 2024 of the immediate need to provide chambers for the Court of Claims and of the imminent need to provide space for an additional Family Court; AND

WHEREAS, the requirement for the County to provide suitable space for the Court of Claims and an additional Family Court, together with chambers and office space for necessary staff, render it an impossibility to provide space for City Court within the Cortland County Courthouse; AND

WHEREAS, the County and City of Cortland wish to formally terminate the Memorandum of Understanding and absolve each party of any and all obligations, if any, thereunder; NOW THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Administrator, upon approval by the County Attorney or designee, be and hereby is authorized to execute a Termination of Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Cortland; AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED, that the Cortland County Legislature be and hereby rescinds Resolution No. 177-22 Authorizing Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Cortland for City Court Space in the County Courthouse.

Adjournment

The meeting was closed at 4:48 PM