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FINANCE, LEGAL AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

June 09, 2026

10:30 A.M.

ATTENDANCE:

Legislators: Chair Monell, Ciotoli, Standinger, Aronstam, Rose, Cantella, Bunce, Brown, Flesher

Staff: Legislative Clerk Haskell, County Attorney DeWind, Chief Accountant Schurter, Safety Officer Holbrook, Personnel Officer Parke, County Administrator Bailey, Treasurer Roberts, Public Works Commissioner Hammond

Guest(s): N/A

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Legislator Bunce asked for a motion to approve May 12, 2026, minutes. Legislator Brown made the motion seconded by Legislator Rose and was unanimously carried.

FINANCIAL: Safety and Legal's budget are tracking well.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Litigation and Claims:** A new claim for In Rem surplus has been received.
- **Ethic Board Appointments:** There is a resolution to appoint the Majority Chair's nomination today and due to the recent resignation of an Ethics Board Member the Chair will need to nominate a new board member.
- **Gender-Based Violence and the Workplace Policy:** This is a new policy, required by New York State, to address gender-based violence accommodations.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Public Works will be participating in an OSHA sponsored event next week
- Ms. Holbrook is in the process of up a PennDOT Business Account to monitor driver licenses of employees who live in Pennsylvania for compliance purposes.
- Ms. Holbrook has completed workplace violence assessments and will review them with the Union Representative

PERSONNEL

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- 3rd Assistant County Attorney Vacancy: There continues to be no interest in this position.
- The Public Defender's Office recently experienced a staff resignation. Consequently, the office notified a local court that its attorneys cannot attend certain sessions, necessitating the utilization of assigned counsel. This operational shift may carry fiscal ramifications for the Indigent Legal Services (ILS) budget due to higher assigned counsel hourly rates.

RESOLUTIONS: APPOINT MEMBER TO BOARD OF ETHICS and AMEND EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK: SECTION IV. PERSONNEL RULES; ADD SUBSECTION U. GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AND THE WORKPLACE POLICY were moved into full Legislative session without further questions.

PROCLAMATIONS: N/A

EXECUTIVE SESSION: N/A

ADJOURNMENT: Legislator Bunce adjourned the Finance, Legal and Safety Committee meeting at 10:56 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Freyvogel

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