

SPECIAL SESSION
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13, 2007
AT 4:50 P.M., D.S.T.

Board called to order by Chairman Barrett.

Roll call was taken. PRESENT –Alan Grattidge, Philip C. Barrett, Anita Daly, Richard Lucia, Mary Ann Johnson, Jean Raymond, George J. Hargrave, Jeffrey Trottier, Mindy Wormuth, Paul Sausville, Frank Thompson, Harry G. Gutheil, Jr., Willard H. Peck, Richard C. Hunter, Sr., Thomas N. Wood, III, Cheryl Keyrouze, Joanne Dittes Yepsen, Arthur J. Johnson - 18. ABSENT - Raymond F. Callanan, J. Gregory Connors, Albert Janik, John Lawler, Thomas Richardson – 5.

On a motion by Mr. Peck, seconded by Mr. Gutheil, the special meeting was ratified by a unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION 132 - 07

Introduced by Supervisors Trottier, Callanan, Connors, Grattidge, A. Johnson, M. Johnson and Lawler

REQUESTING PASSAGE OF ASSEMBLY BILL A8644 AUTHORIZING COUNTY TO IMPOSE A WIRELESS 911 SURCHARGE

WHEREAS, the County has recently implemented a wireless 911 emergency call system; and

WHEREAS, an act of the State Legislature is required to obtain authorization to impose a surcharge on cell phone users to help defray the cost of the operation of the system; and

WHEREAS, our Assemblyman James Tedisco has introduced Assembly bill A8644 which would authorize the imposition by Saratoga County of a surcharge of 30 cents per month for each cell phone customer who uses a cell phone primarily in Saratoga County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this Saratoga County Board of Supervisors requests enactment of Assembly bill A8644 authorizing Saratoga County to enact a local law imposing a 30 cent per month surcharge on wireless communication customers in Saratoga County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board complete and forward the necessary Home Rule Request forms to Assemblyman James Tedisco.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.

On a motion by Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Trottier, Resolution 132 was adopted by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Peck said the 30 cents per month is to offset County expenditures in this area. Do we have any idea what 30 cents per cell phone user amounts to, he asked. Mr. Wickerham, County Administrator, said we are estimating \$100,000 at this point. The cell phone companies do not give us records, he said.

Ms. Raymond said as this is implemented, someone from the Treasurer's office should do a spot check on border towns because she said she obtained a cell phone from a company located in Albany County and was being charged Albany County sales tax.

Mr. Gutheil stated the Town of Moreau has three zip codes, and one is a Fort Edward zip code in Washington County. He said he has seen bills that show Washington County is getting our sales tax, he said. Someone should track that, he added.

On a motion by Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Sausville, the meeting was adjourned.

Barbara J. Plummer, Clerk