

**COUNTY GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE**  
**January 27, 2009**

**PRESENT:**

**Leo Pulcher, Chairman**  
**Philip Williams**  
**Valerie Bertram**  
**Joseph Finn**  
**William Hughes, Jr.**  
**Douglas McGivney**  
**Lynda Scheer**  
**Bart Delaney, Jr.**  
**John Rutkey**  
**Thomas Dias**  
**George Jahn**

**ABSENT:**

**ALSO PRESENT:**

**Jacquelyn Lydon, Asst. Deputy**  
**Diana Neceda**  
**Virginia Martin**  
**John Musall**  
**Gary Flaherty**

**PRESS: 1**

**Chairman Pulcher called the meeting to order at 6 PM.**

**Weights and Measurers-**

**November 2008 monthly report distributed for review and approval. Motion made by V. Bertram, seconded by W. Hughes, Jr.. Motion carried.**

**December 2008 monthly report distributed for review and approval. Motion made by V. Bertram, seconded by W. Hughes, Jr.. Motion carried.**

**Veteran's Service Agency- G. Flaherty**

**Monthly report for December 2008 and January 2009 distributed for review & approval, motion by V. Bertram, seconded by W. Hughes, Jr., motion carried.**

**G. Flaherty advised the committee that the Veteran's Service Agency applied and received annual state aid.**

**Board of Elections- V. Martin**

**FYI: Special election to fill a vacant seat in Congress.**

**Discussion regarding the voting lever machines and buying extra parts.**

**Resolution Request: Asking the Columbia County Board of Supervisors to request that the New York State Legislature and the New York State Board of Elections enact laws, rules, and regulations that specifically authorize the continued use of lever-style voting machines. Motion made by D. McGivney, seconded by T. Dias. Motion carried.**

**Resolution Request: Authorize to accept the bid for Kardex Lektriever Unit at a cost of \$34,375.00. Motion made by T. Dias, seconded by J. Rutkey. Motion carried.**

**FYI: State Board of Elections 2009 County Calendar**

**Discussion regarding the optic scan machines that were purchased and the optic scan part of the machines that are not certified.**

**V. Martin stated that she is sure that the ballot marking devise will be used much more in the years to come.**

**W. Hughes, Jr. discussed Columbia County policies and which ones that were passed by resolution. All policies will be distributed to all committee members and reviewed prior to February meeting.**

**Discussion regarding .4 and .2 purchases.**

**Discussion regarding Columbia County records retention program. Chairman Pulcher will discuss with Supervisor Brown, Holly Tanner, and Robert Pinto and report back to committee.**

**With no further business, a motion to adjourn at 6:35PM by T. Dias, seconded by G. Jahn, carried.**