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6	LEGISLATOR JOHN FERRETTI
7	LEGISLATOR JAMES KENNEDY
8	LEGISLATOR DELIA DERIGGI-WHITTON
9	LEGISLATOR SIELA BYNOE
10	LEGISLATOR ARNOLD DRUCKER
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2	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Rules Committee.
3	Mike, would you please call the roll for
4	the Rules Committee?
5	CLERK PULITZER: Roll call, Rules
6	Committee. Chairman Howard Kopel?
7	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Here.
8	CLERK PULITZER: Vice Chairman
9	Thomas McKevitt?
10	LEGISLATOR MCKEVITT: Here.
11	CLERK PULITZER: Legislator John
12	Ferretti.
13	LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Here.
14	CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Kennedy?
15	LEGISLATOR KENNEDY: Here.
16	CLERK PULITZER: Ranking member
17	Delia DeRiggi-Whitton?
18	LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Here.
19	CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Siela
20	Bynoe?
21	LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Here.
22	CLERK PULITZER: Legislator Arnold
23	Drucker?
24	LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Here.
25	CLERK PULITZER: We have a quorum,
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2	sir.
3	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: We have several
4	contracts that we are going to consider
5	today.
6	I am now going to call all of them
7	together:
8	B1-24; E20-24; E21-24; E23-24; E24;
9	E25.
10	Motion by Mr. McKevitt, seconded by
11	Ms. DeRiggi-Whitton.
12	I need a motion to table E2; E6 and
13	E13.
14	Motion to table by Mr. Ferretti and
15	seconded by Ms. Bynoe.
16	All those in favor of untabling
17	those three, please so indicate by
18	saying, "Aye".
19	(Whereupon, all members of
20	the Rules Committee respond in
21	favor with, "Aye".)
22	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Any opposed?
23	(Whereupon, no verbal
24	response.)
25	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Those items are

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untabled.

Now, I'm going to call E2, E6 and E13 as well.

Once again, motion by Mr. Ferretti, seconded by Ms. Bynoe.

First item we will consider is E13 which is a contract with Milliman, and that's what the Comptroller's Office.

Anyone here from the Comptroller?

MR. CASOLARO: Good afternoon, Mr.

Majority Leader, members of the

legislative body. For the Comptroller,

Elaine Phillips. I'm Charlie Casolaro,

Chief Counsel.

You have an amendment here to the Milliman contract. Milliman is a company that provides actuarial services to the county. We're asking for a small increase in the contract amount of \$10,433. They provide assistance to the County and meeting the GASB requirements (Government Accounting Standards Review Board) pursuant to different sections of the GASB law.

As time goes on, these government requirements becoming more and more complicated and more and more time consuming, and we ask for this small increase in the contract amendment.

CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Thank you, Charlie.

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: It's not pertaining to this, but if you could just convey my appreciation to the Comptroller for the issue with Sea Cliff.

MR. CASOLARO: I will indeed, Legislator.

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I Know that you were part of that.

MR. CASOLARO: Yeah. I will indeed.

CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Anyone else?

(Whereupon, no verbal

response.)

CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Thank you, Charlie.

MR. CASOLARO: You're welcome.

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2 CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Next one is with gurchasing. That would be E23. That is a

contract with Auction International Inc.

5 MS. MALHAME: Good afternoon,
6 Allison Malhame, Chief Deputy

Commissioner, Shared Services.

This is a revenue contract for surplus auction services. An RFP was issued in June 2023. Eight vendors viewed the solicitation and two submitted proposals. Auctions International, Inc., our incumbent vendor, was selected as they offered the best service and return to the County. Nassau will receive 100%

of the accepted bid amount and Auctions
International will be compensated by a
10% markup that is paid for by the
winning bidder.

Any questions?

CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Any questions?

(Whereupon, no verbal

response.)

CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Okay. Thank you.

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CHAIRMAN KOPEL: The next two are with the county attorney.

First one is E20 and that is a contract with Bond, Schoeneck & King. County Attorney?

Mr. Libert, how are you?

MR. LIBERT: Good afternoon. Good.

How are you, Legislator?

This is a contract with Bond Schoeneck for the case known as Wayland. This case involves mislabeled alcohol in the Village of Farmingdale.

CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Go on.

MR. LIBERT: This is a contract for an outside counsel firm with the law firm of Bond Schoeneck to represent the County in the case known as Wayland. Sorry if that was assumed for the record purposes.

CHAIRMAN KOPEL: And the reason you need an outside attorney on this is?

MR. LIBERT: This was a complex matter. Because of the complications of the facts and some potential conflicts, the outside counsel was necessary.

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2	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Okay. Any
3	questions?
4	(Whereupon, no verbal
5	response.)
6	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: All right. Next
7	was E24, Lewis Johs.
8	MR. LIBERT: This is a contract
9	legal services with Lewis Johs. It has a
10	couple of captions. So, just for the
11	record, I would say we call it Abramoff
12	or Communello (phonetic). It is also
13	sometimes known as a Estate of Yog De
14	Buena (phonetic).
15	The point is that it was previously
16	handled by Cuomo, and it is being
17	switched now to Lewis Johs relative to
18	legal strategy.
19	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Any questions?
20	(Whereupon, no verbal
21	response.)
22	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Thank you.
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CHAIRMAN KOPEL: The next bunch of contracts are with Public Works. Ken?

Hello, Ken. How are you? First ON, B1, which is E&A Restoration.

COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: Yes. Good afternoon. Ken Arnold, Public works.

B1 is a construction contract associated with the immediate roof issues and replacement of the HVAC equipment for the 832 building at the correctional facility. This office previously notified this body in a June memo that this would be done under emergency declaration by the County Executive.

As stated in the memo, design was expedited and procurement was followed under normal business. Three bids were received in November. The low bidder was determined to be non-responsive. E&A was determined to be the the second lowest bidder and the most responsible bidder, and was recommended for award at a contract cost of \$15.3 million. This bid was in line with our engineers estimate

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notice to proceed immediately. Once all vetting was completed, and E&A has been issued a notice to proceed as of January 22nd of this year.

department wrote. The Department issued a

The contract duration is for 12 months. Thirty percent or \$4 million of this contract work will be done by an STVOB.

CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Any questions? Yes.

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Hi, Ken. We recently visited the jail, and I'm happy. I know they're excited to get the work started. We're all very much in support.

I had a quick question. On the drop ceiling in the hallways and all are really affected by the roof leaking. They have an official diagnosis of mold or something. Do you know if that's also included in this contract?

COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: I do not

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believe the drop ceiling -- that would be something I believe the Correctional Facility will take care of. But we did do a mold survey in the building and there was no mold issue. But I will speak with Corrections about how they're handling the drop ceiling.

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Yeah. It looked pretty bad. If you could just see. And I thought maybe it would be connected with the roof.

COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: I'll double check. I don't think it is, but I'll double check.

LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: right. And thank you for doing this project.

COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: You're welcome.

LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Ken, quick question. As the Minority Leader stated, we were recently there, and they conveyed to us the urgency of getting this roof done. Any idea when the project's going

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to start and how long you anticipate?

COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: The contract was started January 22nd of this year. It's a 12 month contract. The contract has long lead item procurements associated with it. We included contract provisions that would allow us to buy space on the assembly lines to expedite purchasing of equipment. The schedule is currently put together with the contractor for our approval, and we'll have more information on how that timeline will work in the future. But it's a 12 month duration, so the contract work should be done in 12 months.

LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: So that means you only have about ten months left of the contract. There's a real sense of urgency over there and getting things done, specifically with regard to the roof and the HVAC system.

COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: The magnitude of this job is \$15 million. It is a very large project. And projects of that size

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will take some time.

LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: You can't narrow it down?

COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: No, because you have to order the equipment. You have to change all the HVAC equipment along the roof. It can't all be done at one single point. You have to work in phases to keep the facility running because remember, the jail still operates. So we we narrowed it down to a 12 month duration was the most expedient thing we could do.

LEGISLATOR DRUCKER: Okay, let's hope for the best. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: All right.

Next will be E2, which is with WSP USA.

COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: Can I do E4 together because they're both the same item, same purpose. I mean E6.

CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Yeah, sure.

COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: E2 and E6 are both professional services contracts associated with our on-call traffic

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engineering services. 17 proposals were received, the top ten firms with some were selected VHB and WSP, which are these two items, are the last two to be awarded these contracts. These contracts are a five year duration with a total contract cap of \$10.5 million.

CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Okay. Any questions?

(Whereupon, no verbal

CHAIRMAN KOPEL: All right. Thank

you.

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response.)

COMMISSIONER ARNOLD: E21-24 is a professional services contract research with the design services for the Mill Neck Road culvert over Forster's Brook and Valley Stream. Nine proposals were received and the Review Committee entered into final negotiation with the top four highest technically ranked firms. Ultimately, the Review Committee determined that Hardesty and Hanover

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2	provided the best value and team and team
3	to complete the project at a fee of
4	\$700,000. WBE participation is at 3%.
5	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Okay, thanks. Any
6	questions?
7	(Whereupon, no verbal
8	response.)
9	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Okay. We have one
10	left, E-25 with Greenman-Pederson. Mr.
11	Kennedy moves to table, Mr. Drucker
12	seconds.
13	Any debate or discussion on that?
14	(Whereupon, no verbal
15	response.)
16	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: All those in favor
17	of tabling that item, please say, "Aye"
18	(Whereupon, all members of
19	the Rules Committee respond in
20	favor with, "Aye".)
21	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Any opposed?
22	(Whereupon, no verbal
23	response.)
24	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: We're done, Ken.
25	Thank you.

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3	to adjourn, Mr. Ferretti seconds that
4	motion.
5	All in favor of adjourning, please
6	say, "Aye".
7	(Whereupon, all members of
8	the Rules Committee respond in
9	favor with, "Aye".)
10	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: Any opposed?
11	(Whereupon, no verbal
12	response.)
13	CHAIRMAN KOPEL: We are adjourned.
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16	(Whereupon, the Rules
17	Committee is adjourned, 3:32
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4	STATE OF NEW YORK)
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8	I, KAREN LORENZO, a Notary Public
9	for and within the State of New York, do
10	hereby certify:
11	That the above is a correct
12	transcription of my stenographic notes.
13	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto
14	set my hand this 26th day of February, 2024.
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