

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 18, 2008
3:30 p.m.

The Committee of the Whole of the Broome County Legislature met on September 18, 2008 in the Legislative Chamber, Sixth Floor, Edwin L. Crawford County Office Building, Binghamton, New York.

Members Present: S. Herz, (Chair) C. Kuzel, S. Buchta, R. Keibel, J. Sanfilippo, J. Marinich, R. Materese, M. Whalen, D. Reynolds, J. Garnar, J. Black, T. Hull, J. Hutchings, G. LaBare,

Members Absent: A. Shafer, D. Schofield, W. Howard, T. Cleary, B. Mather

Others Present: Presenters: J. Sluzar, Law, P. Brennan, Public Works, D. Behren, Behrens and Associates, Inc.

The Committee meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 3:30 pm. A presentation was given by Joseph Sluzar, County Attorney, Patrick Brennan, Public Works Commissioner & Donald Behren, Behrens and Associates, Inc. on the Marcellus Shale formation and the potential for successful drilling for natural gas. Mr. Sluzar's presentation focused on natural gas drilling and the experiences related to this process encountered by other areas. His remarks included a discussion about some local regulations, which should be considered, based on his discussions with people in other communities. His remarks also included looking at a process to balance the economic opportunity that may be presented to us as a county. The Committee took no action with regard to the matters before it.

There being no further business to come before the Committee at this time, a motion was made by Mr. Marinich, seconded by Mr. Whalen, to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 4:39 pm.