

Members Attending: Ms. Curran, Mr. Arquiett, Mr. Acres, Mr. Burke, Mr. Denesha left at 8:25 p.m., Mr. Fay, Ms. Fiacco, Mr. Forsythe, Ms. Haggard, Mr. Lightfoot, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Reagen, Mr. Sheridan, Mr. Smithers, and Ms. Terminelli

Others Attending in Person or via Video: Ruth Doyle, Dylan Soper, Rebecca Collins, Steve Button, Mike Gagliardi (Watertown Times)

1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Ms. Curran called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Mr. Denesha moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Fay moved to approve the July 19th meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

3. PROBATION – TIM LEPAGE

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign the Alternatives to Incarceration (ATI) Service Plan Contract (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

4. HUMAN RESOURCES – JONNIE DOROTHY

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Facilities Use Permit with the State University of New York College of Technology at Canton, New York (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

The following resolution was withdrawn:

5. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – RICK JOHNSON

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Usherwood Office Technology to Provide a Multi-Function Device (MFD) Lease and Management Program for St. Lawrence County (Res) – Withdrawn.

6. PLANNING – JASON PFOTENHAUER

A. Modifying the 2021 Budget for Transit in the Planning Office for Public Transit (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe.

Mr. Pfothenauer requested to change the title of the resolution by removing the word “shelter.”

Motion carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

B. Lead Grant Update (Discussion) – Mr. Pfothenauer

C. Broadband Survey (Discussion) – Mr. Pfothenauer

7. BOARD OF ELECTIONS – JENNIE BACON AND TOM NICHOLS

A. Modifying the 2021 Budget for the Board of Elections for the Acceptance of the Cybersecurity Remediation Grant (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

8. LEGISLATOR RITA CURRAN

A. Proclaiming September 4, 2021, as National Wildlife Day in St. Lawrence County (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Sheridan, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Agriculture & Farmland Protection Board – no report
- B. Alternatives to Incarceration Board – no report
- C. Board of Trustees for Supreme Court Library – no report
- D. Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board – no report
- E. Environmental Management Council – Ms. Terminelli
- F. Fire Advisory Board – Mr. Denesha
- G. Intercounty Legislative Committee – Ms. Curran
- H. Jury Board – no report
- I. Planning Board – no report

10. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – RUTH DOYLE

A. Public Safety Complex Renovations (Discussion) – Ms. Doyle

Ms. Doyle said there has been an increase in COVID-19 numbers. An updates was given on surrounding counties and how they are managing masks and testing. There will be discussion with schools later this week on testing. There have been conversations about making a recommendation to wear masks indoors regardless of vaccination status.

A storm last week caused damage to the Court House parking lot and Department of Social Services Building. There are flooding challenges at the Court House parking lot that needs to be addressed.

Mr. Denesha left the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Due to the storm and flooding, the Social Services Department lost ten (10) computers and twenty-two (22) monitors, keyboards, and mouses.

There will be a work session held in September on cyber security for Legislators.

NYSAC is scheduled September 13 – 15th which is during the next scheduled Board Meeting.

Ms. Doyle will meet with DANC on Wednesday in Gouverneur.

Public Health received a grant to provide for lactation stations around the County facility.

11. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Lightfoot moved to go to Executive Session at 8:51 p.m., to discuss litigation and personnel, seconded by Ms. Haggard, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Denesha).

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A straw poll vote was taken on a salary recommendation with a vote of eleven (11) yes votes, and four (4) no votes.

Mr. Perkins moved to go to Open Session at 10:02 p.m., seconded by Ms. Haggard, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Denesha).

13. ADJOURNMENT – Ms. Curran moved to adjourn the August Operation Committee at 10:03 p.m., as there was no further business.