

Chairman Rishe asked for the presentation of resolutions.  
Mr. Greco introduced Local Law #2.

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY

LOCAL LAW NO. 2 FOR THE YEAR 1977  
A LOCAL LAW INCREASING THE ANNUAL SALARY FOR  
THE OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Be it enacted by the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence as follows:

Section 1. The annual salary for the office of Commissioner of Social Services shall be \$26,000.00.

Section 2. This local law is adopted subject to a permissive referendum, and the Clerk is directed to publish notice of the same as required by law.

Section 3. This local law shall become effective on the date when it is filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York, and in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York.

Chairman Rishe set a Public Hearing on May 9, 1977 at 6:45 P.M. This law will be acted upon by the Legislators at the May meeting.

Mr. Greco then introduced Local Law #3.

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY

LOCAL LAW NO. 3 FOR THE YEAR 1977  
A LOCAL LAW INCREASING THE ANNUAL SALARY  
FOR THE OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF ASSESSMENTS

Be it enacted by the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence as follows:

Section 1. The annual salary for the office of Director of Assessments shall be \$21,000.00.

Section 2. This local law is adopted subject to a permissive referendum, and the Clerk is directed to publish notice of the same as required by law.

Section 3. This local law shall become effective on the date when it is filed in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York, and in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York.

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RESOLUTION NO. 82-77

ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 2 FOR THE YEAR 1977  
By Mr. Greco, Chairman, Finance & Audit Committee

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 2 for the Year 1977 was introduced at the meeting of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators on April 11, 1977, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was properly advertised and conducted,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Local Law No. 2 for the year 1977 is hereby adopted.

Motion made by Mr. Greco, seconded by Dr. Bixby

Mr. Greco stated that he personally finds it hard to support this resolution. He was opposed to the survey from the beginning. The Personnel Committee felt a professional should be brought into do the job for us. He feels we should either admit the survey was worth the money spent and accept it or we should admit that it is unacceptable and reject it. Mr. Greco stated that most of the committee members felt a professional should be brought in and this must have meant that we weren't qualified to do it ourselves. How then are we qualified to reject any part of it? This local law to provide a raise for the Commissioner of Social Services will exceed the recommended worth of that job. This is the maximum which the job is worth. He said that he just can't see how we can request this survey to be done and then just throw it out the window.

There being no further discussion, the Chair directed a roll call vote which resulted as follows: 19 Yes; 2 No (Greco, Johnson); 1 Absent (LaBaff).

Resolution carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 83-77

ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. 3 FOR THE YEAR 1977  
By Mr. Greco, Chairman, Finance & Audit Committee

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 3 for the Year 1977 was introduced at the meeting of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators on April 11, 1977, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was properly advertised and conducted,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Local Law No. 3 for the year 1977 is hereby adopted.

Motion made by Mr. Greco, seconded by Mr. Otto.

Mr. Greco stated that he is going to support this resolution because it is within the recommendations of the \$41,000. survey.

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The Chair directed a roll call vote on Resolution No. 83—77, it resulted as follows: 16 *Yes*; 5 *No* (Moore, Livingston, Morrill, Bradley, Johnson); 1 *Absent* (LaBaff).

Resolution carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. 84—77**

**SUPPORT OF OUR VOLUNTEER FIREMEN**

By Mr. LaSalle

WHEREAS, our volunteer firemen's loyalty to the people of St. Lawrence County, and their devotion to duty is well known to all,

WHEREAS, they unhesitatingly lay their lives on the line for all of us year in and year out without thought of monetary gain,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators endorse the New York State Volunteer Firemans Benefit Law in its present form,

FURTHERMORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to:

Ardis Anderson, Temporary Chairman, N.Y.S. County Self Insurance Association

N.Y.S. Volunteer Firemans Association

Mr. Francis LaVigne, Administrator, St. Lawrence County Self Insurance Plan

Mr. Frank Mittiga, St. Lawrence County Fire Coordinator

Moved by Carl LaSalle, seconded by Fred Cook.

Mr. LaSalle stated his support of this resolution and urged the other Legislators to do the same. He then requested permission of the floor for Earle Mousaw, Hannawa Falls Volunteer Fire Department.

Mr. Mousaw said that since they have started action, they have found out that the resolution has died in Albany. He appreciates Mr. LaSalle's offer to help. Even though the resolution is dead he wanted it known the strong opposition felt by volunteer firemen toward the proposed resolution in Albany.

Mr. Hess said that he feels Mr. LaSalle has overlooked one fact. It is his feeling that this resolution should have come to the Public Safety Committee first. Mr. Hess commented that he said this, hopefully, to be instructive and not super critical. He made a comparison using the resolution being presented later on the agenda by Personnel Committee.

Mr. Hess continued by saying that he commends Carl for his enthusiasm but he condemns him for his lack of direction in

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