

**\*\*PURSUANT TO THE STATE OF EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 11.6, IN EFFECT UNTIL JUNE 14, 2022, SUSPENSION OF LAW ALLOWS THE ATTENDANCE OF MEETINGS TELEPHONICALLY OR OTHER SIMILAR SERVICE\*\***

**Members Attending:** Ms. Curran, Mr. Acres, Mr. Burke, Mr. Denesha, Mr. Fay, Ms. Fiacco, Mr. Forsythe, Ms. Haggard, Mr. Lightfoot, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Reagen, Mr. Sheridan, Mr. Smithers, and Ms. Terminelli

**Members Attending via Video:** Mr. Arquiatt

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Ms. Curran called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Mr. Forsythe moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Reagen, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Mr. Reagen moved to approve the April 11, 2022, meeting minutes, seconded Mr. Sheridan, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

**3. CENTRALIZED BIO SOLIDS MANAGEMENT** – Darren Richards, DPW Supervisor, Town of Colton and Carrie Tuttle, PhD, PE, CSP, Chief Operating Officer, DANC

Mr. Reagen made a motion to use American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds to fund a feasibility study for the evaluation of biosolids processing, seconded by Mr. Acres.

Mr. Acres moved to amend the motion to set the amount of the study to be up to \$30,000, seconded by Mr. Fay.

Mr. Reagen accepted this as a friendly amendment.

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

#### **4. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – RICK JOHNSON**

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Dell Financial Services to Provide Replacement Virtual Server and Backup Equipment and Software for St. Lawrence County (Res) – Ms. Fiacco moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with ABS Solutions, LLC, to Provide Professional Services for the Installation of Virtual Server and Backup Infrastructure for St. Lawrence County and Modifying the 2022 Budget for the Information Technology Department (Res) – Mr. Smithers moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

## **5. SHERIFF – BROOKS BIGWARFE**

Undersheriff O'Brien spoke to the following resolutions in Sheriff Bigwarfe's absence:

A. Setting Business Hours for the St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office Civil Division (Res) – Mr. Smithers moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

B. Authorizing the Sheriff to Fill a School Resource Deputy Position and Modifying the 2022 Budget for the Sheriff's Office for the School Resource Deputy (SRD) Program (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Acres, and carried by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

## **6. VACANCY REVIEW COMMITTEE – RUTH DOYLE**

A. Vacancy Review Summary (Info) – Ruth Doyle

B. Sheriff– Undersheriff O'Brien requested to fill Corporal, Position No. 603300002; fill Correctional Officer, Position No. 603000020; and fill Correctional Officer, Position No. 603000058 in the Sheriff's Office.

## **7. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Ms. Doyle said as a reminder the Executive Order allowing the attendance of meeting remotely will conclude on May 15<sup>th</sup>, unless extended.

On Wednesday she traveled with Chair Sheridan, Legislator Acres, Treasurer Cole, and Assistant County Administrator Soper to Albany to meet with State Representatives and to deliver the 2022 St. Lawrence County Legislative Agenda along with some additional resolution requesting State action. The group was welcomed to the floor of the Assembly by Assemblyman Smullen.

Tomorrow morning the last two beams of the Northumberland Bridge will be removed.

There will be a tour of the Riverview Correctional Facility tomorrow afternoon.

On Wednesday and Thursday, with the assistance of the St. Lawrence County Youth Bureau, the County will host a tour for the first grade classes from Banford Elementary School of the Canton School District.

Staff from Board Office and Treasurer's Office will be traveling to Syracuse for Finance School this week. Next week a group will be travelling to Indiana for MUNIS training, and the Deputy Clerk of Legislative Board will be traveling to Cattaraugus County for the Clerk's Conference and Training School.

## **8. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. Agriculture & Farmland Protection Board – no report

B. Alternative 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

## **9. OLD/NEW BUSINESS –**

Mr. Reagen said in response to the report Mr. Denesha gave during committee reports on the Fire Advisory Board, he wanted to report that Senator Ritchie has had Bills in since 2013 requesting tuition assistance for firefighters, and has not been successful.

Mr. Lightfoot said the City of Ogdensburg Riverfront Property Committee met with the Planner of the City of Ogdensburg, Andrea Smith, on Thursday and toured the Shade Roller Property. Mr. Lightfoot took some photographs of the site and printed for Legislators to look at so they could get a general idea of the property and the work that needs to be done.

Mr. Forsythe said he toured the County outpost in Lisbon, and was very impressed with the facility. The Town of Lisbon is planning to build similar building and he asked if he could have a copy of the plans and list of materials to share with the Town.

Mr. Forsythe said the County is not cutting timber off County property at this time, but he thinks this may be a good time to begin harvesting again as the market is very high right now.

Mr. Lightfoot said he attended the weekly supervisors meeting at the Department of Social Services, and one of the topics discussed was of a newspaper article about Dr. Thomas Doyle, and his credentials. Mr. Lightfoot asked to have the County Attorney recognized to give an update to the Board on this issue.

Mr. Forsythe moved to go to Executive Session at 7:10 p.m., to discuss litigation, seconded by Mr. Lightfoot, and carried by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

## **10. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Ms. Haggard moved to go to Open Session at 7:23 p.m., seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

**11. ADJOURNMENT** – Ms. Curran adjourned the May Operations Meeting at 7:24 p.m., as there was no further business.