

Members Attending: Mr. Timmerman, Mr. Acres, Mr. Arquiatt, Ms. Bell, Mr. Burke, Mr. Colbert, Mr. Denesha, Mr. Fay, Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Hooper, Mr. LaPierre, Mr. Leader, Mr. Lightfoot, Mr. Paquin, and ~~Mr. Perkins~~

Others Attending: Ruth Doyle, Kelly Pearson, Renee Cole, Jonnie Dorothy, Stephen Button, Jay Ulrich, Jason Pfothenauer, Kevin Wells, Don Chambers, Larry Legault, Michael Cunningham, Gary Pasqua, Tim LePage, Bruce Green, Chris Rediehs, Steve Ballan, Deb Christy, and media representative

CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Chair Timmerman called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., and recessed the meeting at 5:30 p.m. to continue on with the Special Board Meeting. The meeting resumed at 6:30 p.m.

Ms. Bell moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Arquiatt, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Perkins).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Burke moved to approve the December 18th meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. LaPierre and Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Perkins).

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY RECREATIONAL TRAILS PRESENTATION – Deb Christy, SLC Trail Coordinator

HIGHWAY – DON CHAMBERS

Modifying the 2018 Budget of the Department of Highways for Franklin Road Bridge over Big Sucker Brook Replacement (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Bell, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Perkins).

Modifying the 2018 Budget of the Department of Highways for Brouse Road Bridge Replacement (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Bell, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Perkins).

Authorizing the Chair to Sign Necessary Documents for the NYS Homeland Security and Emergency Services Public Assistance Program for the 2017 Lake Ontario Flooding (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Lightfoot, Mr. Forsythe, and Mr. Hooper, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Perkins).

Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Wildlife Services for a Program Reducing Roadway Damage caused by Beavers (Res) – Mr. Acres moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. LaPierre, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Perkins).

SOLID WASTE – DON CHAMBERS

A. Authorization to Fill a Temporary Part-Time Heavy Equipment Operator Position in the Solid Waste Department and Modify the 2018 Solid Waste Budget (Res) (Info) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Arquiatt, Mr. Burke, and Mr. Acres, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Perkins).

B. Modifying the 2017 Budget of the Solid Waste Department for Overtime Expenses (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Acres, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Perkins).

Mr. Arquiatt left the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

6. COUNTY ATTORNEY – STEPHEN BUTTON

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign Letters of Engagement to Retain Professional Services for the Appraisal and Geological Survey of the Jones and Laughlin (J&L) Site in the Town of Clifton (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiatt).

B. Urging the State Representatives of St. Lawrence County to Pass Legislation Regarding Pistol Licensure to Create Uniformity among the Various Counties (Res) – Mr. Lightfoot moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Acres and Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiatt).

Mr. Lightfoot and Mr. Acres asked to be added as co-sponsors to this resolution.

REAL PROPERTY – BRUCE GREEN

A. Authorization to Fill a Data Collector Position in the Real Property Department (Res) (Info) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Denesha and Mr. LaPierre, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiatt).

8. WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

A. Approving and Authorizing the Chair to Sign the North Country Regional Workforce Development Plan (Res) – Mr. Hooper moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiatt).

9. SHERIFF – KEVIN WELLS

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Federal Equitable Sharing Program Agreement and Annual Certification Report for the Sheriff's Office (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Denesha, Mr. Lightfoot, and Ms. Bell, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiatt).

B. Modifying the 2017 Budget for the Sheriff's Office for a Budget Modification to the FY15 SHSP Red Team Exercise Grant (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Hooper, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

C. Modifying the 2017 Budget of the Sheriff's Office for Civil and Jail Overtime (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

10. COMMUNITY SERVICES – JAY ULRICH

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Trizetto Provider Solutions and Modify the 2018 Budget for Community Services (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Acres, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Amended Contract with IMA Systems, LLC to Provide Training, Consulting, and Oversight to Reorganize the Current Billing Functions and Modify the 2018 Budget for Community Services (Res) – Mr. Lightfoot moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

11. PROBATION – TIM LEPAGE

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services to Accept a FY18 ATI, Pre-Trial, Electronic Home Monitoring Grant and Modifying the 2018 Budget for the Probation Department (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Recovery Solutions for Electronic Home Monitoring Services for the Probation Department (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Burke and Mr. Acres, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

12. EMERGENCY SERVICES – MIKE LECUYER

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with the City of Ogdensburg for Hazmat Team Services (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Hooper, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

B. Modifying the 2017 Budget of the Office of Emergency Services for the FY16 PSAP Grant (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Paquin and Ms. Bell, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

13. SOCIAL SERVICES – CHRIS REDIEHS

A. Modifying the 2017 Budget of Social Services Budget for Service of Process and Child Welfare Transportation (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Acres, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

14. LEGISLATOR ACRES

A. Financially Supporting the Efforts of the 2018 Bassmaster Elite Series in Waddington, New York and Modifying the 2018 Budget (Res) – Mr. Paquin moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Bell and Mr. Denesha.

Mr. Acres moved to table this resolution to the next Finance Committee, seconded by Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

15. TREASURER’S REPORT – RENEE COLE

A. Modifying the 2017 Budget for the Treasurer’s Office for Tribal State Compact Funds (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Bell and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

B. Authorization to Fill a Title Searcher Position in the Treasurer’s Office (Res) (Info) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Bell, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

C. Modifying the 2017 Budget of the Treasurer’s Office for Additional Sales Tax Distribution (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Acres and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

D. 2017 Tax Foreclosure Auction Results (Discussion)

Ms. Cole said the Auditors were here January 2-4 for audit planning and internal controls, and are scheduled to come back June 18-28 to do a full audit.

The State Comptroller’s Office did tax cap review of our 2018 tax cap levy, and they reported there were no findings.

There will be an update to ENRS Policy Resolution from 2008 to reflect more current information.

Ms. Cole said she is working on creating a bank reconciliation policy.

16. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – RUTH DOYLE

A. Authorizing the Creation of Two Reserves from the 2017 Budget for the Purpose of Capital Project Management and Recognition of Employee Benefit Accrued Liabilities (Res) – Mr. Lightfoot moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Acres, Mr. Fay, and Mr. Hooper, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins

and Arquiett).

Mr. Acres left the room at 7:31 p.m. and returned at 7:33 p.m.

B. Modifying the 2017 Budget for Assigned Counsel Costs (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Paquin, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

C. 2017 Fourth Quarter Financial Update (Info) – Ms. Doyle

Ms. Bell left the room at 7:39 p.m., and returned at 7:41 p.m.

Ms. Doyle a tour of a juvenile detention center in Albany is scheduled for tomorrow, and the group will leave here at 8:30 a.m.

The renovations of the Board of Elections' suites are complete, and the costs for the internal labor and materials being used were \$34,000. Reimbursement will be sought out from some grant funds that may be available.

Ms. Doyle is requesting that the Space Committee meet on February 12th at 4:30 p.m., prior to the Committee meetings.

A list of Legislative work session items that are being considered includes increasing CHIPs funding, net neutrality and broadband for everyone, speedy trial information, pistol permit granting authority, items regarding designation of a central service, reimbursement of health insurance, administrative funding for septic tank program, preschool, a true 2% for the tax cap levy limit, funding and treatment for the heroin and opioids epidemic, a unified primary date, and continue efforts towards court consolidations.

New iPads have arrived and will be set up for Legislators.

In collaboration with Community Services, we will be rolling out Mental Health First Aid for County staff in May, June, and August. This is training provided by Seaway Prevention Counsel at no cost to the County.

Ms. Doyle reported there were five (5) Transfers of Funds to report: \$260 for the Treasurer for postage; \$740 for Community Services for phone bills; \$1,000 for Social Services for phone bills; \$4,000 for Office for the Aging for food purchased at meal sites, and \$800 for Public Health for treatment of a tuberculosis case.

17. OLD / NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Lightfoot moved to remove the following resolution from the Table, seconded by Mr. Acres, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

A. Resolution Opposing Wind Farm Development in Proximity to Fort Drum (Res) – Mr. Lightfoot moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Fay and Mr. Acres, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiett).

Mr. Lightfoot asked to be added as a co-sponsor to this resolution.

B. Adopting Proposed Local Law B (No. __) for the Year 2018, “Amending Local Law 2 of 2007 “Establishing the Property Tax Exemption for Cold War Veterans in St. Lawrence County”” (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiatt).

C. Adopting Proposed Local Law C (No. _) for the Year 2018, Amending Local Law 1 for the Year 2017, “A Local Law Permitting and Regulating All-Terrain Vehicle Operation on Certain County Roads” (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. LaPierre, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiatt).

D. State Septic System Replacement Program (Discussion) – Jason Pfothenauer

Mr. Burke moved to go to Executive Session at 8:09 p.m. to discuss negotiations, litigation, personnel, and appointments, seconded by Mr. Fay and Mr. Lightfoot, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiatt).

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. LaPierre moved to go to Open Session at 8:53 p.m., seconded by Mr. Acres, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Perkins and Arquiatt).

19. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Timmerman moved to adjourn the January Finance Committee Meeting at 8:53 p.m., as there was no further business.