St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators St. Lawrence County Fair

**Members Attending: Mr. Timmerman,** Mr. Acres, Mr. Arquiett, Ms. Bell, Mr. Burke, Mr. Colbert, Mr. Denesha, Mr. Fay, <del>Mr. Forsythe</del>, Mr. Hooper, <del>Mr. LaPierre</del>, Mr. Leader, Mr. Lightfoot, Mr. Paquin, and Mr. Perkins

**Others Attending:** Ruth Doyle, Kelly Pearson, Dylan Soper, Rebecca Collins, Stephen Button, Jonnie Dorothy, Renee Cole, Bruce Green, Tim LePage, Andrea Montgomery, Chris Rediehs, Mary Lou Rupp, Don Chambers, Adam Simmons, Dana McGuire, Jason Pfotenhauer, Mike Cunningham, Steve Ballan, Mike LeCuyer, Kevin Wells, Keith Zimmerman, Paul Baxter, Raeanne Dulanski, and Tom Plastino

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Mr. Timmerman called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. Mr. Perkins moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Hooper, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Forsythe and LaPierre).

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Mr. Hooper moved to approve the June 25<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Fay, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Forsythe and LaPierre).

# 3. WORKERS' COMPENSATION PRESENTATION – STEPHEN BUTTON

# 4. COUNTY ATTORNEY – STEPHEN BUTTON

A. Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Apportionment for the Year 2019 (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes, two (2) no votes (Arquiett and Paquin), and two (2) absent (Forsythe and LaPierre).

B. Modifying the 2018 Budget for the County Attorney's Office for Increased Costs Associated with Retention of Outside Legal Counsel (Res) – Mr. Hooper moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Forsythe and LaPierre).

C. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement between Jacqueline Willmart and Kevin Willmart and County of St. Lawrence, New York, Regarding a Tax Delinquent Property (Res) – Mr. Lightfoot moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Hooper, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, one (1) abstention (Acres), and two (2) absent (Forsythe and LaPierre).

# 5. HIGHWAY – DON CHAMBERS

A. Authorization to Fill a Sign Maintenance Worker in the Department of Highways (Res) (Info) – Mr. Denesha 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 (Forsythe and LaPierre).

B. Authorization to Fill a Bridge Construction Mechanic Position in the Department of Highways (Res) (Info) – 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 (Forsythe and LaPierre).

C. Authorization to Fill a Laborer Position in the Department of Highways (Res) (Info) – Mr. Arquiett 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 (Forsythe and LaPierre).

D. Update on Projects (Discussion)

# 6. WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

A. Authorizing the Treasurer to Modify the PY17 WIOA Budget to Restore Funding for the Employment and Training Program (Res) – Mr. Perkins 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 (Forsythe and LaPierre).

B. Modifying the PY15 Workforce Investment Act Budget to Restore Funding for the Dislocated Worker Program for the Enhanced Career Services (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Arquiett, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Forsythe and LaPierre).

# 7. SOIL AND WATER – RAEANNE DULANSKI

A. Modifying the 2018 Budget for Forestry for a Decrease of Funds Awarded to the Snowmobile Trail Grant (Res) – Mr. Arquiett moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Colbert and Mr. Acres, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Forsythe and LaPierre).

B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign the 2018-2019 Local Sponsor Signature Form as Part of the Grant Application to the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Colbert and Mr. Arquiett, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Forsythe and LaPierre).

# 8. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – RUTH DOYLE

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Inter-Municipal Agreement with New York Counties to Establish the Municipal Healthcare Financing Collective to Access Stop-Loss Insurance Quotes for Healthcare (Res) – Mr. Perkins 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 (Forsythe and LaPierre).

B. 2018 Second Quarter Financial Update (Info) – Ms. Doyle

Ms. Doyle said she, along with Mr. Acres, Mr. Lightfoot, and Mr. Button, traveled to Albany to meet with the Governor's staff to discuss various items. Tourism was addressed, specifically the Bassmasters Event, and there was an announcement made today that the Governor's Office would be giving \$50,000 for the event. Also discussed were Shared Services, Raise the Age, a

discussion with Rob Williams, and other opportunities for the coming year.

On July 18<sup>th</sup>, Fritz Keel, Executive Director for the Fort Drum Regional Liaison Organization met with the Director of Veterans' Services, Mike Boprey, and Legislator Lightfoot. Discussions were had on areas that Mr. Keel believed needed attention, and the County's interests in improving job opportunities for veterans was addressed.

Ms. Doyle said Mr. Lightfoot and Mr. Soper accompanied her for a meal at the Office for the Aging Nutrition Site in Morristown. She said she will visit the nutrition site in Brasher next.

Legislators Acres and Denesha were speakers at an event held by the DEC. A comprehensive presentation was done on the history of the cleanup of the J&L Site and the future of the Site.

There was a ribbon cutting ceremony on the opening of a third DMV window, hosted by the Town of Gouverneur. County Clerk Rupp was recognized for her service and dedication to the County.

The Labor Management Committee met to talk about the recent Janus Act. Six unions out of seven were represented, and a determination was made on how employees will be notified, how forms will be updated, and the deadlines.

Efforts were made on two areas of Plan creations: Raise the Age Comprehensive Plan is still ongoing with the collection of data, and submission will soon be finalized. The Indigent Legal Services Plan Hurrell-Harring Implementation will come to Services Committee in August, and we are seeking a five (5) year contract with the State.

Representative from five (5) counties will be attending a meeting in Lake Placid on August 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> regarding Result Based Accountability associated with Raise the Age.

The White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs has extended an invitation to New York County Leaders to attend a conference and tour of the White House on August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

# 9. OLD / NEW BUSINESS

A. Establishing a Standard Work Day for New York State Retirement System Reporting Purposes (Res) – Mr. Perkins 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 (Forsythe and LaPierre).

**10. ADJOURNMENT** – Chair Timmerman moved to adjourn the July Finance Committee Meeting at 6:05 p.m., as there was no further business.