

**Members Attending:** Ms. Curran, Mr. Acres, ~~Mr. Arquiatt~~, 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 arrived at 5:35 p.m.

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Ms. Curran called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Mr. Fay moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Arquiatt and Terminelli).

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Mr. Forsythe moved to approve the October 17th meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Reagen, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Arquiatt and Terminelli).

### **3. EMERGENCY SERVICES – MATT DENNER**

A. Adopting the St. Lawrence County Multi-Jurisdictional All-Hazard Mitigation Plan Update (Res) – Mr. Forsythe 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 (Arquiatt and Terminelli).

B. Modifying the 2022 Emergency Services Budget for Related Overtime Expenses (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 (Arquiatt and Terminelli).

### **4. SHERIFF – BROOKS BIGWARFE**

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract for a FY22 Operation Stonegarden Program (OPSG) Grant from New York State Division of Homeland Security and Modifying the 2022 Budget for the Sheriff's Office (Res) – Mr. Acres moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Arquiatt and Terminelli).

B. Accepting a 2022 Domestic Terrorism Prevention Grant from New York Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) and modifying the 2022 Budget for the Sheriff's Office (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers.

Ms. Terminelli arrived at 5:35 p.m.

Motion carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

C. Modifying the 2022 Budget for the Sheriff's Office to accept a 2021 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program Funding from the Bureau of Justice Department (Res) – Mr. Smithers moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

D. Modifying the 2022 Budget for the Sheriff's Office for Overtime Expenses (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Acres.

Mr. Reagen moved to amend this resolution to add five (5) part-time Correction positions, seconded by Mr. Smithers.

Ms. Haggard called the question, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

Motion on amendment carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

Motion carried on amended resolution by a roll call vote with twelve (12) yes votes, two (2) no votes (Denesha and Lightfoot), and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

E. Modifying the 2022 Budget for the Sheriff's Office for Related Expenses that have Exceeded the Budget due to Increased Obligations (Res) – Ms. Fiacco moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

## **5. PLANNING – JASON PFOTENHAUER**

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Cornell University School of Industrial and Labor Relations Outreach Division for EPA Renovation, Repair, and Painting Program Lead Renovator Training and Education (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

## **6. HUMAN RESOURCES – JONNIE DOROTHY**

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with The Preferred Group for Flexible Benefit Plan Services (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Excellus BC/BS for Stop Loss Insurance for 2023 (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

## **7. LEGISLATORS SMITHERS, HAGGARD, AND TERMINELLI**

A. Calling on Empire State Development to Expedite the Rollout of the ConnectALL Initiative (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins.

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

Motion carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

## **8. LEGISLATORS SMITHERS AND TERMINELLI**

A. Urging New York State Department of Civil Service to Support Public Employee Recruitment and Retention (Res) – Ms. Terminelli moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins and Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, one (1) no vote (Acres), and one (1) absent (Arquiett).

## **9. LEGISLATOR SMITHERS**

A. Supporting New York State Sharing Agricultural Mitigation Fees with Counties to Support County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Initiative (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 (Arquiett).

B. Calling for the Elimination of the Farm Laborers Wage Board (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Haggard.

Ms. Haggard move to table this resolution to the December Operations Committee, seconded by Ms. Terminelli and Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiett).

C. Requesting Revisions to the Proposed Part 360 Series Regulations of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiett).

D. Commending the State for Supporting Local Cybersecurity Efforts and Urging a Long-Term Commitment to Funding End Point Detection and Response Solutions (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Fay, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiett).

E. Calling for Study and Reform of New York State Civil Service System to Support Local Government Employee Recruitment (Res) – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Terminelli, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, two (2) no votes (Acres and Forsythe), and one (1) absent (Arquiett).

F. Encouraging the State Legislature and Governor to Enact Legislation to Provide Local Discretion on Pre-Sentence Investigations in Plea Deals Resulting in Less than One Year Imprisonment (Res) – Mr. Lightfoot moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiett).

G. Urging New York State to Provide Counties with Funding to Administer Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Program in County Correctional Facilities (Res) – Mr. Lightfoot moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Haggard, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiett).

H. Encouraging Governor Kathy Hochul and the New York State Legislature to Enact Legislation Requiring Reporting of Sex Offenders in Short Term Rentals (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Fay.

Mr. Perkins moved to remove from the resolution the third and fourth be it further resolved, “that the short-term rental host, owner and/or managing company should be required to inform local police, as well as any neighbor within 1,000 feet of that short-term rental,” and “failure to do so should result in immediate imprisonment for the registered offender and a \$10,000 fine, respectively, for the short-term rental host, owner, and/or managing company,” seconded by Ms. Haggard.

Mr. Acres moved to table the resolution to the December Operations Committee, seconded by Ms. Haggard and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

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

A. Vacancy Review Summary (Info) – Ms. Doyle

B. Emergency Services – Mr. Denner requested to fill a Dispatcher, Position No. 612000021, in Emergency Services

C. Sheriff – Sheriff Bigwarfe requested to fill Correction Officer, Position No. 603000071, in the Sheriff’s Office

Ms. Curran called a two minute recess at 7:25 p.m., to allow time to set up for budget review. The meeting resumed at 7:27 p.m.

## **11. 2023 TENTATIVE BUDGET REVIEW**

A. Overview of 2023 Tentative Budget – Ms. Doyle

B. Department Reviews: Board of Elections, Conflict Defender, County Clerk, District Attorney, Emergency Services, Human Resources, Information Technology, Planning, Probation, Public Defender, and Sheriff’s Office

## **12. 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 – Ms. Curran

E. Environmental Management Council – Ms. Terminelli

F. Fire Advisory Board – no report

G. Jury Board – no report

H. Planning Board – Mr. Fay

**13. OLD/NEW BUSINESS:** Mr. Smithers asked about the status of pistol permit applications. Mr. Button gave a brief overview of applications for pistol permits.

Mr. Lightfoot moved to go to Executive Session at 8:07 p.m., to discuss litigation, personnel, and appointments, seconded by Ms. Haggard, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiatt).

#### **14. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Ms. Haggard moved to go to Open Session at 8:34 p.m., seconded by Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Arquiett).

**15. ADJOURNMENT** – Ms. Curran moved to adjourn the November Operations Committee at 8:36 p.m., as there was no further business.