Finance Committee Monday, April 24, 2023 5:30 p.m.

Mr. Perkins chaired this meeting in Mr. Gennett's absence.

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

**1.** CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Mr. Perkins called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. Ms. Curran moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Gennett).

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Mr. Hull moved to approve the March 27<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Gennett).

### 3. HIGHWAY – DON CHAMBERS

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Inter-Municipal Agreement with the Jefferson-Lewis-Hamilton-Herkimer-Oneida Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) for Drug and Alcohol Testing Services (Res) – Ms. Curran 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 (Gennett).

B. Modifying the 2023 Budget for the Department of Highways for Replacement of the Lacomb Road Bridge in the Town of Norfolk, BIN 3341420 (Res) – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Gennett).

C. Modifying the 2023 Budget for the County Administrator's Office for the Purchase of a Dump Trailer from Multi-Use Trail Funds (Res) – Ms. Curran 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 (Gennett).

D. Highway Capital Project Financial Summary (Info) - Mr. Chambers

### 4. WORKFORCE INNOVATIVE OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) – Pam Lewis

A. Modifying the PY22 WIOA Budget to Transfer Formula Funds from Administration Accounts to Adult Accounts (Res) – Ms. Curran 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 (Gennett).

### 5. VACANCY REVIEW COMMITTEE – RUTH DOYLE

A. Highway – Mr. Chambers requested to fill two (2) Heavy Equipment Operators, Position No. 310100005 and Position No. 310100017, in the Highway Department.

## 6. AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) UPDATE - RUTH DOYLE

A. Information and Update (Discussion) – Ms. Doyle

B. Authorizing the Chair to Appropriate Remaining American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for Ballistic Vests for Probation Officers in St. Lawrence County and Modifying the 2023 Budget for the Probation Department (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Gennett).

# 7. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE – LARRY DENESHA

A. Public Safety Complex Renovation Plans – Beardsley Design Associates (Info)

## 8. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – RUTH DOYLE

A. 2023 First Quarter Financial Update (Info) – Ms. Doyle

B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign Maintenance and Software Agreements with Pitney Bowes for a Mailing Machine and System in Central Printing and Mail and Modifying the 2023 Budget for the County Administrator's Office (Res) – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Gennett).

C. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with the St. Lawrence County Bar Association for Assigned Counsel Representation for 2023-2025 (Res) – Ms. Curran 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 (Gennett).

Ms. Doyle said the Canton Human Services Initiative, Inc. Board of Directors will meet later this week for its quarterly meeting.

The Morristown Central School 4<sup>th</sup> grade students will take a tour of County Offices next week.

The County email server upgrade has been completed, and County emails will soon be changing to .gov emails.

There will be an upgrade to MUNIS effective June 1<sup>st</sup>.

The Hammond Girls' Basketball Team will attend the May Full Board Meeting to be recognized for winning the New York State basketball championship game.

There will be a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Monday for the new bus stop/shelter, just prior to the May Full Board Meeting.

#### 9. OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

A. Authorizing the County to Receive Additional Administrative Funding for the Septic System Replacement Program and Modifying the 2023 Budget for the Planning Office (Res) – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Lightfoot, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Gennett).

B. Setting a Date for a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law A (No. \_\_\_) for the Year 2023, "Exemptions for Certain Members of Volunteer Fire Companies and Ambulance Services in St. Lawrence County Pursuant to Section 466-A of the Real Property Tax Law" and Repealing Local Law No. 2 for the Year 2005 in St. Lawrence County (Res) (*Note: This resolution was tabled and will need a motion to remove it from the Table for discussion, and also a motion is needed to change the date of the Public Hearing to June 5, 2023 in the Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved.*) – Ms. Curran moved to remove this resolution from the Table, seconded by Ms. Terminelli, and failed by a voice vote with seven (7) no votes, three (3) yes votes (Curran, Terminelli, and Forsythe), four (4) non-votes\*, and one (1) absent (Gennett).

C. Approval of Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement in Relation to Solar Project on Parcel 40.004-2-20.22/1 Located at 50 Cogswell Corners Road in the Town of Madrid (Res) (*Note: This resolution was tabled and will need a motion to remove it from the Table for discussion*) – Mr. Forsythe moved to remove this resolution from the table, seconded by Mr. Hull, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Gennett).

Motion carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes, three (3) no votes (Smithers, Fay, and Perkins), and one (1) absent (Gennett).

Ms. Haggard said last week a resolution was tabled to the May Services Committee regarding the Chair signing contracts with various organizations for Youth Development Grant Programs, and because it is time sensitive, she would like it removed from the Table.

Ms. Haggard moved to remove the resolution, "Authorizing the Chair to sign the 2023 Resource Allocation Plan Signature Plan and Sign Contracts with Various Organizations for Youth Development Grant Programs, from the Table.

Mr. Hull called a Point of Order.

County Attorney Button said to remove a resolution that was tabled to a set date could be done in two ways: (1) A member of the prevailing party that voted for the resolution to be tabled would have to make a motion to consider the tabled resolution at a successive meeting and that item would have to appear on the agenda and be noticed properly, or (2) If the tabled resolution were not placed on the agenda and not noticed properly, a motion could still be made to remove it from the table, although the tabled resolution would then be placed on the next immediate, successive meeting.

Ms. Haggard moved to remove the resolution from the Table to be placed on the next meeting agenda, seconded by Mr. Burke, and failed by a voice vote with eight (8) no votes (Curran, Denesha, Lightfoot, Webster, Forsythe, Hull, Reagen, and Perkins), four (4) yes votes (Smithers, Sheridan, Burke, and Haggard), two (2) non-votes\* (Fay and Terminelli), and one (1) absent (Gennett).

Mr. Sheridan moved to forward a resolution entitled "Opposing the "New York Housing Compact" as proposed the Governor Hochul's FY 2024 Executive Budget to the Full Board meeting, seconded by Mr. Burke.

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

Mr. Hull moved to table the resolution to the next meeting, seconded by Ms. Haggard and Ms. Terminelli, and failed by a voice vote with seven (7) no votes (Curran, Denesha, Sheridan, Burke, Lightfoot, Webster, and Forsythe), seven (7) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Gennett).

Motion carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, one (1) no vote (Haggard), one (1) abstention (Terminelli), and one (1) absent (Gennett).

Mr. Smithers said the Village of Governor has questions regarding police dispatch, and he would like an update on dispatch so there is no misinformation to municipalities who wish to maintain their own dispatch services. Ms. Doyle said the County will not be taking over dispatch services for all municipalities; only those municipalities who have requested the help of the County for dispatching services will be considered.

Mr. Perkins reported that Legislator Gennett is excused from this meeting.

## **10. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- A. Cornell Cooperative Extension Board no report
- B. Fish and Wildlife Management Board, Region 6 no report
- C. Fisheries Advisory Board no report
- D. Gouverneur Fair Board Mr. Smithers
- E. Highway/Solid Waste Committee Mr. Smithers
- F. Industrial Development Agency Mr. Reagen
- G. Recreational and Trails Advisory Board Mr. Perkins
- H. St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency (RVRDA) Mr. Forsythe
- I. St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce no report
- J. Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors no report

Mr. Forsythe moved to go to Executive Session at 7:04 p.m., to discuss litigation, personnel, and appointments, seconded by Mr. Hall, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Gennett).

## **11. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A straw poll was taken during Executive Session regarding purchasing property for the multi-use trail.

Mr. Smithers moved to go to Open Session at 8:11 p.m., seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Gennett).

**12. ADJOURNMENT** – Mr. Perkins adjourned the April Finance Committee at 8:11 p.m., as there was no further business.

\*Note: non-votes or no lifting of hands during a vote by show of hands demonstrates a no vote.