

January 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2024

**ADOPTION OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, each Board must establish its RULES OF PROCEDURE at the Organizational Meeting,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the enclosed St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators RULES OF PROCEDURE as provided in the Organizational Meeting packet and dated January 2, 2024, are hereby adopted, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board meeting dates in the attached calendar be set with a start time of 6:00 p.m., and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Committee meeting dates be tentatively set as in the attached calendar and be set with a start time of 5:30 p.m., and a copy of the schedule will be available in the Board of Legislators' Office.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 1-2024 Entitled "Adoption of the Rules of Procedure", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

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St. Lawrence County

**BOARD OF LEGISLATORS**

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**RULES OF PROCEDURE**

Adopted January 2, 2024

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ARTICLE I  
**Quorum**

A majority of the duly constituted membership of the Board of Legislators shall constitute a quorum.

ARTICLE II  
**Meetings**

- A. The Organizational Meeting shall be called pursuant to Section 151 of the County Law. At such Organizational Meeting, the Board will elect a Temporary Chair, Chair, and a Vice Chair.
- B. The Regular Meetings of the Board of Legislators shall be held as identified in Attachment A, or by resolution during a regular meeting or special meeting, the Legislature may determine a date and time for the next meeting.
- C. Special Meetings shall be held at the call of the Clerk upon direction of the Chair or upon written request signed by a majority of the members of the Legislature.
  - 1. Call to Order
  - 2. Suspension of the Rules, if necessary
  - 3. Roll Call
  - 4. Approval of Agenda
  - 5. Presentation of Resolutions
  - 6. Chair's Appointments
  - 7. Adjournment
- D. Pursuant to Chapter 1 of the Laws of 2022 for the State of New York and adopted by Local Law No. 3 for the Year 2022 in Resolution No. 360-2022, Legislators are permitted to attend and participate in Board Meetings where such attendance and participation is occasioned by "extraordinary circumstances" pursuant to the requirements reference above in State and Local Law.

ARTICLE III  
**Order of Business**

The Order of Business at each session, except as may be set apart for the consideration of matters for which a Special Meeting has been called, shall be as follows:

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Suspension of the Rules, if necessary
- 3. Roll Call
- 4. Prayer
- 5. Pledge of Allegiance
- 6. Approval of Agenda
- 7. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes
- 8. Reading of Communications
- 9. Citizen Participation
- 10. Presentation of Resolutions

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11. County Administrator's Report
12. Old/New Business
13. Committee Reports
14. Executive Session
15. Appointments
16. Chair's Appointments
17. Adjournment

#### ARTICLE IV **Members**

- A. All members of the County Board of Legislators shall attend all regular and specially scheduled meetings of the Board of Legislators, all duly called meetings of any special or standing committees of which any of the said Legislators are members, unless they are absent by reason of sickness, or excused by the Chair of the appropriate body.
- B. No member shall speak or debate until he/she has received recognition from the Chair.
- C. No member shall speak a second time to a question, as long as any member desires to speak who has not spoken to the question.

#### ARTICLE V **Non-members**

Citizens may participate before the Board of Legislators in one of the following ways:

- A. During Citizen Participation period, upon recognition by the Chair. The Speaker will state his/her name and is limited to five minutes, or the timeframe to be announced. The total Citizen Participation time period shall not exceed thirty [30] minutes, unless extended at the discretion of the Chair.
- B. During limitations of gathering and/or attendance, Citizen Participation by submitting a text, video, or audio submission to [publiccomment@stlawco.org](mailto:publiccomment@stlawco.org) at least forty-eight (48) hours before the start of the meeting. Participation is subject to community standards and file compatibility.
- C. During the "Presentation of Resolutions" by being granted the floor by the Chair upon request of a Legislator. The citizen may speak on the current agenda item only.

#### ARTICLE VI **Resolutions**

- A. The term "resolution" as herein used, shall mean a formal proposed action in writing, by one or more of the Legislators, and/or a Committee of the Legislature. Upon introduction, the resolution shall be read by the Clerk upon request. The motion for adoption shall be properly seconded immediately, preceding any debate on the main question.

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- B. A member sponsoring a resolution shall file with the Clerk of the Legislature a copy of said resolution one week prior to the Regular Meeting, at which it is to be introduced. Copies of the resolution and the entire agenda, shall be sent to each Legislator to arrive no later than three days preceding the Regular Meeting.
- C. Any resolution approved by a committee and forwarded to the Board for consideration may only be withdrawn upon the approval of the Board.
- D. Individual Legislators who wish to have their names added, as co-sponsors, to resolutions approved by a Committee may do so at the Committee Meeting by notifying the Deputy Clerk of the Board.

## ARTICLE VII

### Committees

- A. The Chair and Vice-Chair of the Board of Legislators shall be ex-officio members of all standing and special committees with all the rights & privileges thereof. Except that if both the Chair of the Board and Vice-Chair of the Board are present at a committee meeting, ONLY the Chair will have voting privilege unless the Vice-Chair is a designated member of the Standing Committee, then both would have voting privilege.
- B. The Chair of the Board shall appoint the members and designate the Chair of all standing committees within ten (10) days following his/her election. The Chair of the Board shall also appoint the members and designate the Chair of all special committees or subsequently created standing committees within ten (10) days following creation thereof.
- C. Any vacancy occurring on any standing or special committee shall be filled by the Chair of the Board within thirty (30) days after such vacancy occurs. In the event that such vacancy occurs in the position of Committee Chair, the Board Chair shall designate a new Committee Chair.
- D. All committee appointments serve until new appointments are made by the Chair.
- E. No member shall be Chair of more than one standing committee.
- F. Each Standing or Special Committee shall perform the duties, so designated by the rules of the Board of Legislators, or as assigned by the Chair of the Board.
- G. The Chair of each Standing or Special Committee shall be the presiding officer and shall cause the members thereof to be notified in advance of each meeting. The Committee Chair shall call all necessary meetings. Upon his/her refusal or neglect to call any meetings, the Clerk of the Board, upon written request signed by the Chair of the Board or by a majority of the Committee, shall call such meeting.
- H. A quorum for all committees shall be a majority of the membership of the Committee. Once a quorum has been established, a majority of the Committee members present is sufficient to approve or disapprove a proposed action.

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- I. There shall be the following Standing Committees and their duties shall be those required by law, as directed by the Chair of the Board, or as so designated herein:

**OPERATIONS COMMITTEE:** Issues within the jurisdiction of this committee would be those arising out of the following departments: Board of Elections, Conflict Defender, County Clerk, District Attorney, Emergency Services, Human Resources, Information Technology, Planning, Probation, Public Defender, and Sheriff, the expenditure of money not already appropriated and the transfer of funds.

**SERVICES COMMITTEE:** Issues within the jurisdiction of this committee would be those arising out of the following departments: Community Services, Office for the Aging, Public Health, Social Services, Veterans Services, Weights and Measures, and Youth Bureau, and the expenditure of money not already appropriated and the transfer of funds.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Issues within the jurisdiction of this committee would be issues which would incur the expenditure of money not already appropriated; the issuance of bonds and payments thereon and the transfer of funds. Issues arising from the Board of Legislators, County Attorney, County Treasurer, Real Property, Highway, and Solid Waste shall be under the jurisdiction of this committee, as well as issues involving any outside agencies that are not currently funded within other departmental budgets, such as the Partner Agencies: Cornell Cooperative Extension, Chamber of Commerce, Soil and Water Conservation District, Industrial Development Agency, Trails, and the Historical Association.

Special Committees may be created as needed. Any resolution or action by the Chair establishing a Special Committee shall specify powers, duties, and duration. Special Committees shall include the Labor-Management Committee. Each special committee shall report to the appropriate standing committee or full Board as directed by the Chair. These reports shall be at least quarterly, and more often if needed. When the Committee has completed its work, a final written report shall be made.

- J. The Deputy Clerk of the Board shall arrange for the taking of minutes at all committee meetings and be responsible for their safekeeping. The minutes of each committee shall be kept in a separate minute file provided by the Clerk of the Board of Legislators. The minutes shall contain the time and place and persons present at the meeting; a record of all committee votes and other actions. Written statements by members or non-members may be submitted and shall become a part of the record of the committee. Written summaries may be required by the Committee Chair. The minute book shall be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Legislators and open to the public. Written Committee minutes and agendas will be posted to a digital repository for the Legislators and be available on the St. Lawrence County website for the public.

- K. Committee Procedures

1. Committees shall meet in accordance with the 2024 Meetings Schedule. Regular Committee Meetings shall begin at 5:30 p.m. When the Chair of a Committee calls special meetings, it shall be the intent of this Board that public announcement thereof will be done as soon as possible.

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2. County Departments must submit any resolution for Committee consideration with the Clerk of the Board by the submission deadline in accordance with the 2024 Meeting Schedule.
3. Rules for Legislators wishing to submit a resolution for committee consideration:
  - a. If the resolution is to be in the committee packet, then it must be submitted by the submission deadline, or
  - b. If the resolution is to be on a revised committee agenda, then it must be received by close of business the Friday before the regular committee meeting, or
  - c. If during discussion of any agenda item then by motion with or without a copy of the resolution, or
  - d. If under old/new business, then by motion with or without a copy of the resolution.
4. Within three (3) days of its introduction, any and every resolution, which has not been acted upon by the Board shall be referred by the Chair to the appropriate committee.
5. Every resolution referred to any committee shall be placed on the regular agenda of that committee.
6. Within six (6) weeks of its referral to committee, every resolution shall be reported back to the Board of Legislators with the committee's recommendation, unless tabled to a specific date, either favorable or unfavorable, and with minority reports, if any.
7. When any resolution is being considered by a committee, its proponent or any other legislator may come before the Committee and speak for or against the resolution. Any member of the public wishing to address the Committee on an agenda item may, upon nomination by a Legislator and recognition by the Chair, speak for or against the measure. The Committee may set a time limit of not more than five minutes on how long each individual may speak.
8. A member of the public who wishes to be on the agenda shall contact the Board Office, by submission date, eleven (11) days in advance of a committee meeting, and request to be put on the agenda. The Board of Legislators' Office will discuss the matter to be put on the agenda with the Chair of the Committee, and at the Chair's discretion, may or may not add the matter to the agenda for the next committee meeting, or a future committee meeting.
9. All presentations to Committees, which are unrelated to resolutions on the agenda, will be limited to a ten-minute presentation and a ten-minute question session.

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10. In accordance with County Law Article 4, Section 154, committees have no power to do anything by which the County may become obligated and all of their actions must be reported to and sanctioned by the Board.
11. Pursuant to Chapter 1 of the Laws of 2022 for the State of New York and adopted by Local Law No. 3 for the Year 2022 in Resolution No. 360-2022, Legislators are permitted to attend and participate in Committee Meetings where such attendance and participation is occasioned by "extraordinary circumstances" pursuant to the requirements reference above in State and Local Law.

## ARTICLE VIII **Limitations and Amendment**

- A. Notwithstanding any provisions herein contained, any decision of any committee or Chair thereof, or of the Chair of the Board of Legislators, may be overruled by a majority vote of the Legislature.
- B. These rules may be suspended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the total membership of the Legislature at any meeting of the Legislature upon the following conditions:
  1. The Legislator requesting the Suspension of the Rules shall provide an explanation of the necessity for the Suspension of the Rules.
  2. A copy of the resolution to be offered under Suspension of the Rules shall be on the desk of each Legislator at the beginning of the meeting or placed there before a vote is taken.
- C. These rules may be rescinded or changed by a majority vote of the total membership of the Board of Legislators at any meeting of the Board of Legislators, provided each member has had ten (10) days written notice of the proposed change.
- D. Questions of Order and procedure not governed by these rules, or the laws of the State of New York, shall be decided according to Robert's Rules of Order Revised. The Legislature shall provide a desk copy of a current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Revised for each member.
- E. For purposes of a reconsideration vote, the next monthly meeting is considered to be the "next succeeding day" to our previous session. (rf. Roberts Rules of Order Revised, Section 36, page 156).
- F. A Legislator will be permitted to abstain from voting if he/she declares a conflict of interest.
- G. At each meeting of the Board, the roll call votes will be on a rotation basis with the first roll call of the year starting with District One. Thereafter, the first roll call of each Board Meeting shall start with the next person in the rotation as determined by the rotation of the Roll Call Vote Program, or the designated official vote tally recording program.



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- H. In order to maintain the integrity of its proceedings, cellular telephones or other recording devices that are deemed to be distracting and disruptive to the meeting may be limited at the discretion of the Chair.

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**ATTACHMENT A**  
**St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators 2024 Meetings Schedule**  
**January – December**

DATE	MEETING/HOLIDAY	SUBMISSION DATE	PRE-COMM DATE	DATE	MEETING	SUBMISSION DATE	PRE-COMM DATE
<b>January 2</b>	Organizational Meeting			<b>July 1</b>	Board Meeting		
<b>8</b>	Operations	12/28	1/3	<b>8</b>	Operations	6/27	7/3
<b>15</b>	<b>Martin Luther King, Jr.</b>			<b>15</b>	Services	7/3*	7/10
<b>22</b>	Services	1/11	1/17	<b>22</b>	Finance	7/11	7/17
<b>29</b>	Finance	1/18	1/24	<b>29</b>	Open		
<b>February 5</b>	Board Meeting			<b>August 5</b>	Board Meeting		
<b>12</b>	Operations / Services	2/1	2/7	<b>12</b>	Operations	8/1	8/7
<b>19</b>	<b>Presidents' Day</b>			<b>19</b>	Services	8/8	8/14
<b>26</b>	Finance	2/15	2/21	<b>26</b>	Finance	8/15	8/21
<b>March 4</b>	Board Meeting			<b>September 2</b>	<b>Labor Day</b>		
<b>11</b>	Operations	2/29	3/6	<b>9</b>	Board Meeting		
<b>18</b>	Services	3/7	3/13	<b>16</b>	Operations	9/5	9/11
<b>25</b>	Finance	3/14	3/20	<b>23</b>	Services	9/12	9/18
<b>April 1</b>	Board Meeting			<b>30</b>	Finance	9/19	9/25
<b>8</b>	Operations	3/28	4/3	<b>October 7</b>	Board Meeting – Tentative Budget		
<b>15</b>	Services	4/4	4/10	<b>14</b>	<b>Columbus Day</b>		
<b>22</b>	Finance	4/11	4/17	<b>21</b>	Operations / Services	10/10	10/16
<b>29</b>	<b>Open</b>			<b>28</b>	Finance	10/17	10/23
<b>May 6</b>	Board Meeting			<b>November 4</b>	Board Meeting – Longevity Ceremony		
<b>13</b>	Services / Operations	5/2	5/8	<b>11</b>	<b>Veterans Day</b>		
<b>20</b>	Finance	5/9	5/15	<b>18</b>	Services / Operations	11/7	11/13
<b>27</b>	<b>Memorial Day</b>			<b>25</b>	Finance	11/14	11/20
<b>June 3</b>	Board Meeting			<b>December 2</b>	Board Meeting – Memorial Ceremony		
<b>10</b>	Operations	5/30	6/5	<b>9</b>	Operations	11/27*	12/4
<b>17</b>	Services	6/6	6/12	<b>16</b>	Services	12/5	12/11
<b>24</b>	Finance	6/13	6/19	<b>23</b>	Finance	12/12	12/18
				<b>30</b>	<b>Open</b>		

Please Note: The deadline for submission is close of business on the submission date.

Pre-Committee Review will begin at **9:15 a.m.** for Operations and Finance Committees and **12 p.m.** for Services Committee.

*\*Note: In reference to Submission Date or Pre-Committee Date, If the day falls on a holiday, it will be due the previous day (Shown in Italics)*

January 2, 2024

Operations Committee: 12-11-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 2-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT RENEWING THE VOTER  
REGISTRATION, SIGNATURE DIGITIZATION, FULL DOCUMENT IMAGING,  
ELECTION REPORTING AND INTERFACE MESSAGING SYSTEM MAINTENANCE  
AND SUPPORT AGREEMENT WITH NTS DATA SERVICES, LLC  
FOR THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 163-2007 approved the purchase and original contract for the NTS Data Services, LLC, system, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Elections would like to continue maintenance and support services related to voter registration, signature digitization, full document imaging, election reporting and interface messaging with NTS Data Services, LLC (E1014504 42004) for a contract period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, NTS Data Services, LLC has the knowledge, expertise, required software, associated technology and services to provide a quality solution to the needs of the Board of Elections,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign the contract with NTS Data Services, LLC, upon the approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 2-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract Renewing the Voter Registration, Signature Digitization, Full Document Imaging, Election Reporting and Interface Messaging System Maintenance and Support Agreement with NTS Data Services, LLC for the Board of Elections", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

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Operations Committee: 12-11-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 3-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A MITEL SOFTWARE ASSURANCE  
LICENSING AGREEMENT AND A GENERAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT  
WITH REL COMM INC. FOR TELEPHONE INFRASTRUCTURE SUPPORT  
FOR ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the County owns and operates a Mitel-based telephone system with components installed in several County buildings, and

**WHEREAS**, Mitel licensing costs for this infrastructure must be renewed on an annual basis via a Software Assurance Agreement (SWA) through an authorized Mitel partner prior to February 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, the infrastructure supporting this telephone system requires ongoing maintenance and incurs repair costs for both parts and labor and is covered annually by a General Maintenance Agreement (GMA), and

**WHEREAS**, the age of the current infrastructure and expanding needs of the County require a high level of consultative expertise, and

**WHEREAS**, Rel Comm Inc. is a Mitel Gold Partner with over thirty (30) years of experience in supporting Mitel phone systems, and offers competitive pricing for Mitel hardware, software, and services on the Sourcewell contract, satisfying the competitive process, and

**WHEREAS**, the Sourcewell contract cost will not exceed \$16,000, annually for the SWA for 2024 and \$25,200, annually for the GMA in 2024 (CD016804 42306),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a Mitel Software Assurance Licensing Agreement and a General Maintenance Agreement with Rel Comm, Inc. for Telephone Infrastructure Support for St. Lawrence County, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 3-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Mitel Software Assurance Licensing Agreement and a General Maintenance Agreement With Rel Comm Inc. for Telephone Infrastructure Support for St. Lawrence County", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

*Kelly S. Bigwarfe* \_\_\_\_\_  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

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Services Committee: 12-11-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 4-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AMENDMENTS TO THE  
CONTRACTS WITH VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT  
PROGRAMS (YDP) AND YOUTH SPORTS AND EDUCATION FUNDING (YSEF)  
PROGRAMS GRANT FUNDING**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) requires that the Youth Bureau submit a Resource Allocation Plan (RAP) Signature Page that certifies approval of the program and grant contracts for the 2023 Youth Development Program (YDP) and Youth Sports and Education Funding (YSEF) Programs,

**WHEREAS**, signing the RAP Signature Page qualifies the County for reimbursement from New York State in the 2023 Program Year, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 185-2023 was adopted on May 22, 2023, authorizing the 2023 Resource Allocation Plan Signature Page and contracts with various organization for Youth Development Programs (YDP), and

**WHEREAS**, staffing difficulties prevented Claxton Hepburn from executing the Thriving Families Program in 2023, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 171-2023 was adopted on May 1, 2023, authorizing the 2023 Resource Allocation Plan Signature Page and contracts with various organization for Youth Sports and Education Funding (YSEF), and

**WHEREAS**, Girls on the Run did not expend \$3,200 in 2023, and

**WHEREAS**, the Youth Advisory Board Allocation Committee met on November 1, 2023 and recommended reallocation of \$4,100 allocated to the Thriving Families Program to various Youth Development Programs (YDP) for 2023 and \$3,200 to various Youth Sports and Education Funding (YSEF) Programs for 2023,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign amendments to the contracts with various organizations for Youth Development Program (YDP) and Youth Sports and Education Funding (YSEF) Program Grant Funding, as follows:

<u>YDP Organizations:</u>	<u>Original</u>	<u>Amended</u>
Claxton Hepburn Thriving Families	\$4,100	\$0
SLC Arts Council-Rising Teens	\$6,000	\$7,500
Town of Stockholm Recreation	\$3,000	\$4,500
Ogdensburg Command Performance	\$2,145	\$2,545
Canton Free Library	\$4,000	\$4,200
PAL of Massena	\$4,500	\$5,000

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<u>YSEF Organizations:</u>	<u>Original</u>	<u>Amended</u>
Girls on the Run	\$5,000	\$1,800
Parishville Recreation	\$3,000	\$4,800
Potsdam Recreation	\$4,000	\$5,400

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  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 4-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign Amendments to the Contracts with Various Organizations for Youth Development Programs (YDP) and Youth Sports and Education Funding (YSEF) Programs Grant Funding”, adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Services Committee: 12-11-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 5-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP COUNCIL FOR THE YOUTH AS SOLUTIONS GRANT AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE YOUTH BUREAU**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the National Youth Leadership Council has awarded the Youth As Solutions (YAS) Grant in the amount of \$500 to the St. Lawrence County Youth Bureau, and

**WHEREAS**, the mission of YAS is to create a generation of students who are passionate about making a positive impact in their schools and communities by addressing areas of impact in community health, educational equity, and environmental justice, and

**WHEREAS**, the Youth Bureau Youth Committee was selected to receive a \$500 grant to address an issue impacting community health in St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, the Youth Committee will complete a community needs investigation, plan and prepare a service project that meets those needs, implement the project by March 29, 2024, and submit a final service-learning showcase video for national recognition, and

**WHEREAS**, YAS provides training through monthly virtual meetings, and

**WHEREAS**, Service-learning empowers youth to be involved in their own learning, share their voice, and care about their community, and

**WHEREAS**, this award will increase the budget of the Youth Bureau by \$500,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with the National Youth Leadership Council for the Youth As Solutions Grant, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget for the Youth Bureau, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

Y2073104 42000	Y Office Supplies & Expense	\$500
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

Y2027055 55000	Y Gifts & Donations	\$500
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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 5-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with the National Youth Leadership Council for the Youth as Solutions Grant and Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Youth Bureau”, adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024



January 2, 2024

Services Committee: 12-11-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 6-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE 2024 RESOURCE ALLOCATION PLAN SIGNATURE PAGE, SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES FOR YOUTH TEAM SPORTS GRANT, SIGN CONTRACTS FOR YOUTH TEAM SPORTS (YTS) FUNDING, AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE YOUTH BUREAU**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) requires that the Youth Bureau submit a Resource Allocation Plan (RAP) Signature Page that certifies approval of the program and grant contracts for the 2024 Youth Development Program (YDP) Year, and

**WHEREAS**, the signing of the RAP Signature Page will qualify the County for reimbursement from New York State in the 2024 Program Year, and

**WHEREAS**, the amount allocated to the County in 2024 for Youth Team Sports (YTS) is \$52,517 (Y4073204 46100), and

**WHEREAS**, OCFS will reimburse St. Lawrence County for contract and County agency program expenditures, and

**WHEREAS**, the Youth Bureau shall retain the overall responsibility to release the Request for Proposal (RFP), plan, provide fiscal/grants management, technical assistance, audit claims, monitor, and evaluate all programs approved in the 2024 RAP,

**WHEREAS**, OCFS has made RAP Funds (Y4073204 46100) available to provide Youth Team Sports (YTS) Funding, and

**WHEREAS**, various agencies have submitted a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Youth Team Sports (YTS) funding through the Youth Bureau,

**WHEREAS**, a new fund was created under the New York State Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) for the purpose of providing awards to support Youth Team Sports Programs for underserved youth under age 18, and

**WHEREAS**, each municipal Youth Bureau was provided an allocation for the Youth Team Sports funding (YTS) for local community-based organizations and nonprofits, and

**WHEREAS**, YTS Funding is grounded in the principles of positive youth development, and

**WHEREAS**, this funding provides support to local team sports programs in communities where programs may be scarce or under-resourced, and

**WHEREAS**, this award will increase the budget of the Youth Bureau by \$52,517,

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislatures authorizes the Chair to Sign the 2024 Resource Allocation Plan Signature Page, sign a contract with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services for Youth Team Sports Grant, and sign contracts for Youth Team Sports (YTS) Funding, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget for the Youth Bureau, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

Y4073204 46100	Y Youth Team Sports Payment	\$52,517
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

Y4038205 560OC	Y Office Of Children Family Services	\$52,517
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign contracts for Youth Team Sports (YTS) Funding, upon approval of the County Attorney, as follows:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Canton Minor Hockey	\$7,313
Massena Recreation-Lacrosse	\$2,204
Norwood-Norfolk Youth Baseball Inc. (NNYBI)	\$7,400
Potsdam Youth Baseball and Softball Association	\$6,300
Town of Hammond	\$17,000
Tri-Town Minor Hockey/North Country River Rats	<u>\$12,300</u>
Total	\$52,517

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 6-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign the 2024 Resource Allocation Plan Signature Page, Sign a Contract with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services for Youth Team Sports Grant, Sign Contracts for Youth Team Sports (YTS) Funding, and Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Youth Bureau", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Services Committee: 12-11-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 7-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE 2024 RESOURCE ALLOCATION PLAN SIGNATURE PAGE, SIGN CONTRACTS WITH THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES FOR YOUTH SPORTS & EDUCATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDS, SIGN CONTRACTS FOR YOUTH SPORTS & EDUCATION INFRASTRUCTURE FUNDS AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE YOUTH BUREAU**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) requires that the Youth Bureau submit a Resource Allocation Plan (RAP) Signature Page that certifies approval of the program and grant contracts for the 2024 Youth Development Program (YDP) year, and

**WHEREAS**, the signing of the RAP Signature Page will qualify the County for reimbursement from New York State in the 2024 Program Year, and

**WHEREAS**, the amount allocated to the County in 2024 for Youth Sports & Education Funding (YSEF) Infrastructure is \$10,344 (Y4073204 46500), and

**WHEREAS**, OCFS will reimburse St. Lawrence County for contract and county agency program expenditures, and

**WHEREAS**, the Youth Bureau shall retain the overall responsibility to release the Request for Proposal (RFP), plan, provide fiscal/grants management, technical assistance, audit claims, monitor, and evaluate all programs approved in the 2024 RAP, and

**WHEREAS**, OCFS has made Resource Allocation Plan (RAP) Funds (Y4073204 46500) available to provide Youth Sports & Education Funds (YSEF) Infrastructure Funds, and

**WHEREAS**, various agencies have submitted a Request for Proposal (RFP) for YSEF Infrastructure Funding through the Youth Bureau,

**WHEREAS**, one-time funding was created under the New York State OCFS for the purpose of providing infrastructure funds to support Youth Sports & Education Funding (YSEF) Programs for underserved youth ages 6-17, and

**WHEREAS**, each municipal youth bureau was provided an allocation for the Youth Sports & Education Funding (YSEF) Infrastructure Funds for local community-based organizations and nonprofits, and

**WHEREAS**, this award allows one-time investments in infrastructure for physical activity, and will increase the 2024 Budget of the Youth Bureau by \$10,344,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign the 2024 Resource Allocation Plan Signature Page, sign contracts with the New York State Office Of Children And Family Services for Youth Sports & Education Infrastructure Funds, and sign contracts for Youth Sports & Education Infrastructure Funds, and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget for the Youth Bureau, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

Y4073204 46500	Y YSEF Infrastructure Funds	\$10,344
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

Y4038205 560OC	Y Office Of Children Family Services	\$10,344
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign contracts for Youth Sports & Education Funds infrastructure funding, upon approval of the County Attorney, with the following organizations:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Canton Recreation	\$4,510
Village of Hammond (Fireman's Fieldhouse)	\$1,634
Hermon DeKalb	\$1,600
Massena Minor Hockey	<u>\$2,600</u>
Total	\$10,344

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 7-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign the 2024 Resource Allocation Plan Signature Page, Sign Contracts with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services for Youth Sports & Education Infrastructure Funds, Sign Contracts for Youth Sports & Education Infrastructure Funds and Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Youth Bureau", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Services Committee: 12-11-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 8-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE 2024 RESOURCE ALLOCATION  
PLAN SIGNATURE PAGE AND SIGN CONTACTS FOR YOUTH  
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FUNDS**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) requires that the Youth Bureau submit a Resource Allocation Plan (RAP) Signature Page that certifies approval of the program and grant contracts for the 2024 Youth Development Program (YDP) year, and

**WHEREAS**, the signing of the RAP Signature Page will qualify the County for reimbursements from New York State in the 2024 Program Year, and

**WHEREAS**, the amount allocated to the County in 2024 for Youth Development Programs (YDP) is \$106,456 (Y4073204 46000), and

**WHEREAS**, OCFS will reimburse St. Lawrence County for contract and County agency program expenditures, and

**WHEREAS**, the Youth Bureau shall retain the overall responsibility to release the Request for Proposal (RFP), plan, provide fiscal/grants management, technical assistance, audit claims, monitor, and evaluate all programs approved in the 2024 RAP, and

**WHEREAS**, OCFS has made Resource Allocation Plan (RAP) Funds (Y4073204 46000) available to provide Youth Development Programs, and

**WHEREAS**, various agencies have submitted a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Youth Development Program (YDP) Funding through the Youth Bureau,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign the 2024 Resource Allocation Plan Signature Page and sign contracts for Youth Development Program Funds, upon approval of the County Attorney, to the following organizations:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Village of Massena Therapeutic	\$2,445
SLC Arts Council-Rising Teens	\$8,000
Town of Stockholm Recreation	\$4,500
Ogdensburg Command Performance	\$3,500
NCCM STEAM Programs for Youth	\$4,000
Canton Free Library	\$4,200
PAL of Massena	\$6,000
Hepburn Library of Waddington	\$6,700
Ogdensburg Boys & Girls Club	\$10,000
Claxton Hepburn Thriving Families	\$4,100
Gouverneur Recreation	<u>\$11,200</u>
Total	\$64,645

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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 8-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign the 2024 Resource Allocation Plan Signature Page and Sign Contacts for Youth Development Program Funds”, adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Services Committee: 12-11-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 9-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE 2024 RESOURCE ALLOCATION PLAN  
SIGNATURE PAGE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS FOR  
YOUTH SPORTS & EDUCATIONAL FUNDING**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) requires that the Youth Bureau submit a Resource Allocation Plan (RAP) Signature Page that certifies approval of the program and grant contracts for the 2024 Youth Development Program Year, and

**WHEREAS**, the signing of the RAP Signature Page will qualify the County for State reimbursement in the 2024 Program Year, and

**WHEREAS**, the amount allocated to the County in 2024 for Youth Sports and Educational Funding (YSEF) is \$37,541 (Y4073204 46500), and

**WHEREAS**, OCFS will reimburse St. Lawrence County for contract and county agency program expenditures, and

**WHEREAS**, the Youth Bureau shall retain the overall responsibility to release the Request for Proposal (RFP), plan, provide fiscal/grants management, technical assistance, audit claims, monitor, and evaluate all programs approved in the 2024 RAP,

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) has made Resource Allocation Plan (RAP) funds (Y4073204 46500) available to provide Youth Sports & Educational Funding (YSEF), and

**WHEREAS**, various agencies have submitted a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Youth Sports & Educational Funding (YSEF) through the Youth Bureau,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign the 2024 Resource Allocation Plan (RAP) signature page and authorize the Chair to sign contracts for Youth Sports and Educational Funding, upon approval of the County Attorney, with the following organizations:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Girls on the Run	\$5,000
Town of Clifton	\$7,400
Hermon DeKalb PeeWee	\$7,341
Parishville Recreation	\$4,800
Louisville Recreation	\$3,000
Town of Fowler Recreation	\$4,000
Potsdam Recreation	<u>\$6,000</u>
Total	\$37,541

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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 9-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign the 2024 Resource Allocation Plan Signature Page and Authorize the Chair to Sign Contracts for Youth Sports & Educational Funding”, adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024



January 2, 2024

Services Committee: 12-11-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 10-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE YOUTH BUREAU  
FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Youth Bureau receives grant funding from the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS), and the budget is split between Youth Development Programs (YDP) and Advocacy and Training, and

**WHEREAS**, a budget modification is required as an account change has been made for OCFS appropriation expenses, and

**WHEREAS**, these funds will be used for Youth Development Programs (YDP) Programs,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Youth Bureau for Youth Development Programs, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

Y2073104 46000	Y Advocacy & Training	\$3,000
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**DECREASE REVENUE:**

Y2038205 560OC	Y Office Of Children Family Services	\$3,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

Y4073204 46000	Y Youth Development Program Payments	\$3,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

Y4038205 560OC	Y Office Of Children Family Services	\$3,000
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 10-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Youth Bureau for Youth Development Programs", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Services Committee: 12-11-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 11-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS WITH APPROVED PASS-THROUGH AGENCIES AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR FUNDING RECEIVED FROM NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF ADDICTION SERVICES AND SUPPORT (OASAS) FOR THE OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Community Services received funding from the OASAS Opioid Settlement Funding, and

**WHEREAS**, the Opioid Settlement Funding is designed to create a lasting impact and emphasis on supporting agencies, programs, and organizations that demonstrate a commitment to serving individuals and families affected by the opioid epidemic, and

**WHEREAS**, on October 3, 2023 the Community Services Board approved the use of the OASAS Opioid Settlement Funding to new and existing pass-through agencies for harm reduction, treatment, housing, prevention and transportation, and

**WHEREAS**, the Opioid Settlement State Funding will follow the calendar year and can be rolled over to subsequent years,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with approved pass-through agencies, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 budget for funding received from New York State Office of Addiction Services and Support (OASAS) for the Opioid Settlement Funding for Community Services, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

A2442504 46500 OSF	A SEACAP OSF Payments	\$150,000
A2542304 46500 OSF	SLC Public Health OSF Payments	56,000
A2642304 46500 OSF	MILC OSF Payments	<u>150,000</u>
		\$356,000

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

A2434865 56000 OSF	A SA Opioid Settlement Funds	\$150,000
A2534865 56000 OSF	A SA Opioid Settlement Funds	56,000
A2634865 56000 OSF	A SA Opioid Settlement Funds	<u>150,000</u>
		\$356,000

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any remaining funds will be rolled over to future budgets until fully expended.

January 2, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 11-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign Contracts with Approved Pass-Through Agencies and Modifying the 2024 Budget for Funding Received from New York State Office of Addiction Services and Support (OASAS) for the Opioid Settlement Funding for Community Services", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Services Committee: 12-11-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 12-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR FUNDING  
RECEIVED FROM NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH (OMH)  
TO ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY AS PASS-THROUGH FUNDING  
TO APPROVED AGENCIES**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Community Services has received a OMH State Aid funding authorizations to St. Lawrence County as pass through funding for community agencies that includes salary and fringe support adjustments, and

**WHEREAS**, this is one hundred percent (100%) pass through funding for contract agencies and Community Services,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Budget for Community Services Budget for funding received from New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH) to St. Lawrence County as pass-through funding to approved agencies, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

A4243224 465TL	A CRV NCTLS Advances	\$2,800
A4443224 465UH	A OFS United Helpers Advances	<u>26,749</u>
		\$29,549

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

A4234905 56000	A SA CR Other Mental Health P	\$2,800
A4434905 56000	A SA OFS Other Mental Health P	<u>26,749</u>
		\$29,549

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 12-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2023 Budget for Community Services for Funding Received from New York State Office of Mental Health (OMH) to St. Lawrence County as Pass-Through Funding to Approved Agencies", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 13-2024

**CORRECTING AND REFUNDING ERRONEOUS TAXES**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 515 of the Laws of 1997 provides a local option for erroneously levied taxes in the amount of \$2,500 or less to be corrected or refunded upon application according to Section 554 and 556, respectively, of the Real Property Tax Law upon recommendation of the County Director of Real Property Tax Services and approval of the Treasurer of the County, and

**WHEREAS**, the County Treasurer and the Director of Real Property Tax Services recommend that this option be adopted in order to make these corrections and/or refunds to the taxpayer erroneously assessed in a more timely and efficient fashion,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes correcting and refunding erroneous taxes, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators adopt the provisions set forth in Chapter 515 of the Laws of 1997 allowing the County Treasurer to correct tax bills or issue a check for the refund where taxes have been paid upon the recommendation of the Director of Real Property Tax Services and the approval of the Treasurer for the calendar year 2024, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that on or before the 15th day of each month, the Real Property Director shall submit a report to the Board of Legislators of the corrections or refunds processed by the Treasurer during the preceding month indicating the name of each recipient, the location of the property and the amount of the correction or refund.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 13-2024 Entitled "Correcting and Refunding Erroneous Taxes", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 14-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS  
FOR FUEL, EQUIPMENT REPAIRS, AND MAINTENANCE**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Highways budgets appropriation and revenue accounts to reflect current and projected operations, and

**WHEREAS**, additional highway projects have resulted in increases in the revenue from County-owned machinery, and

**WHEREAS**, these increases in expenses are offset by increases in revenue, and

**WHEREAS**, the Department wants to amend the budget to more closely reflect actual operations for 2023,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Budget for the Department of Highways for fuel, equipment repairs, and maintenance, as follows:

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

HR028015 55000	H Rental of Equipment – Other Funds	\$400,000
HD012895 55000	H Equip Repairs – Other Depts	<u>130,000</u>
		\$530,000

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HD051304 42200	H ER I/D Equip Repair & Maintenance	\$70,000
HR051304 42200	H RM I/D Equip Repair & Maintenance	290,000
HR051304 441FI	H RM Fuel Island Diesel Purchases	<u>170,000</u>
		\$530,000

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 14-2024 Entitled “Modifying the 2023 Budget for the Department of Highways for Fuel, Equipment Repairs, and Maintenance”, adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 15-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH BARTON & LOGUIDICE,  
D.P.C. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES TO REPLACE COUNTY ROUTE 22  
OVER SAWYER CREEK, BIN 3340950, PIN 775425**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators approved and funded Capital Bridge Projects, and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Highways has solicited qualifications for engineering services for the replacement of County Route 22 over Sawyer Creek, and

**WHEREAS**, the best qualified consultant for this project has been determined,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators does hereby approve the following contract to:

Consultant: Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C.  
Contract Title: County Route 22 over Sawyer Creek  
Town of Fowler

Engineering Fee: Not to Exceed \$267,000  
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. for engineering services to replace County Route 22 over Sawyer Creek, BIN 3340950, PIN 775425, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE        )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 15-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. for Engineering Services to Replace County Route 22 Over Sawyer Creek, BIN 3340950, PIN 775425", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 16-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH BARTON & LOGUIDICE,  
D.P.C. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES TO REPLACE COUNTY ROUTE 34  
OVER TROUT BROOK, BIN 3341630, PIN 775426**

By Mr. Gennett, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators approved and funded Capital Bridge Projects, and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Highways has solicited qualifications for engineering services for the replacement of County Route 34 over Trout Brook, and

**WHEREAS**, the best qualified consultant for this project has been determined,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators does hereby approve the following contract to:

Consultant: Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C.  
Contract Title: County Route 34 over Trout Brook  
Town of Potsdam

Engineering Fee: Not to Exceed \$275,000  
HM651204 430ED 2334

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contact with Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. for engineering services to replace County Route 34 over Trout Brook, BIN 3341630, PIN 775426, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 16-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. for Engineering Services to Replace County Route 34 Over Trout Brook, BIN 3341630, PIN 775426", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024



January 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 17-2024

**USE OF COUNTY-OWNED MACHINERY**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the St. Lawrence County Superintendent of Highways recommends that the Board of Legislators permit the use of County-owned machinery, tools, equipment, and personnel by any terms as provided for in Section 133-A of the Highway Law, when it is for public interest,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators approves the use of any county-owned street or highway machinery, tools or equipment, by New York State, any municipal corporation, political subdivision, district, district corporation or school district located within the state, when recommended, by the County Superintendent of Highways.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 17-2024 Entitled "Use of County-Owned Machinery", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 18-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE  
SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT FOR RECYCLING**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Solid Waste Department budgets appropriation and revenue accounts to reflect current and projected operations, and

**WHEREAS**, recycling tipping fees have exceeded the 2023 budget due to fees increasing from \$13.27/ton in 2022 to \$103.28/ton in 2023, and

**WHEREAS**, the projected overages in these expenses can be offset within the existing Solid Waste Budget,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Budget for Solid Waste Department, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

WT081604 40801	W TRS Bldg Improvements	\$45,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

WH081604 43018 RECY	W RECY Tipping Fees	\$45,000
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 18-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2023 Budget for the Solid Waste Department for Recycling", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 19-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT  
TO FORMALLY ADOPT A CREDIT POLICY**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Solid Waste Department has a responsibility to provide disposal services for the residents of St. Lawrence County in a safe, efficient, and environmentally responsible manner, and

**WHEREAS**, the Solid Waste Department incurs significant costs in providing these services, including the costs of labor, equipment, and materials, and

**WHEREAS**, the Solid Waste Department relies on the timely payments from its account holders in order to cover these costs and to continue to provide quality services, and

**WHEREAS**, the Solid Waste Department has experienced a number of unpaid and delinquent accounts, which has strained the financial resources and ability of the Department to operate effectively, and

**WHEREAS**, the Solid Waste Department has a responsibility to establish a credit policy to ensure that its account holders are financially responsible for the services they receive,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department to formally adopt a Credit Policy, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Credit Policy be filed with the Clerk of the Board of Legislators.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 19-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department to Formally Adopt a Credit Policy", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

# **ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT**

## **Credit Policy & Application**

**NYSDEC Operating Permit 6A-143**



**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT  
44 PARK STREET  
CANTON, NY 13617**

**PHONE: (315) 379-9084    FAX: (315) 379-1061**

**[www.stlawco.gov](http://www.stlawco.gov)**

January 2, 2024

# **St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department Governance Policies**

**Subject: Solid Waste Credit Policy**

**Adopted:**

**Resolution:**

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## **Solid Waste Department Credit Policy**

1. St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department may extend credit under the terms outlined below upon completion, submission, and acceptance of attached Credit Application, Authorization for Release of Credit Reference Information and Guarantee of Payment. Applications must be filled out completely with all requested information. Applications received that are incomplete will not be considered.

2. Credit applications may be subject to trade reference verifications and the results of these verifications will be considered by the Deputy Director of Solid Waste and the Superintendent of Highways, or his/her designee.

3. The St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department billing cycle is monthly. A statement of account is generated for transactions incurred from the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month through the last day of the month.

4. Payments for new transactions are due within 30 days of the statement date on which those transactions appeared.

5. A late payment fee of 1 ½% of the outstanding balance will be charged for statements over 30 days.

6. If an account is 30 or more days past due, charging privileges may be revoked until the account becomes current. Such action will be at the discretion of the Deputy Director of Solid Waste or his/her designee.

7. Customers who hold a Solid Waste Disposal Permit for St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department transfer stations may be subject to revocation of that permit and their trucks denied entry to the transfer station for accounts deemed by St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department to be severely delinquent.

8. In cases where a customer's check is returned for insufficient funds, a \$15.00 service charge will be applied to the account, and the customer's account will be considered past due until the debt has been satisfied. The customer's waste hauler permit may also be revoked, if applicable.

9. For accounts that are denied credit terms, payment must be made Cash on Delivery (COD) for any transactions processed for that customer.

10. Accounts for which there has been no credit activity for a period of 2 years will be closed. It will be necessary to reapply for future credit transactions. The County will retain the right to employ collection efforts for outstanding debt.

11. St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to deny credit to anyone for any reason.

12. St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department reserves the right to request an updated credit history and re-evaluate such approval at any time.

13. Completed credit applications can be mailed to:

St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department  
44 Park Street  
Canton, NY 13617

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**St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department**

44 Park Street

Canton, NY 13617

Phone: (315) 379-9084

Fax: (315) 379-1061

**Credit Application**

**Company Information** (Please type or print)

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Street

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Organizational Profile**

\_\_\_\_ Corporation \_\_\_\_ Partnership \_\_\_\_ Proprietorship \_\_\_\_ Municipality \_\_\_\_ LLC

\_\_\_\_ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Taxpayer ID: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Business Started : \_\_\_\_\_

List names, titles, addresses and telephone nos. of all officers, directors, principals or partners:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Do any unsatisfied judgments exist? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If yes, please explain:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever filed bankruptcy? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

If yes, please explain:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Bank Reference**

Bank

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Trade References (3 Required)**

Company Name:

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address:

\_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Limit Assigned: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Company Name:

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address:

\_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Limit Assigned: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Company Name:

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address:

\_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax No: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Limit Assigned: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**Terms and Conditions:**

St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department requires full payment for each billing period on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> day after the end of the period. A 1.5% late fee will be due if payment is not received within 30 days of the statement date. If a customer's account is more than 30 days past due, the customer's charging privileges and/or permit may be revoked until the account is paid in full, including any accumulated late fees. If a collections action or legal action is required by St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department, the Applicant will be responsible for all reasonable charges associated with the same, including attorney fees.

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<p>By my signature I certify that I have the authority to sign for St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department and I grant permission to St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department to run a credit history on the Applicant. I also certify that the information herein provided is true and accurate and attest to the same under the penalty of perjury.</p> <p>(Principal or Owner Signature)</p> <p>(Printed Name)</p> <p>(Title)</p> <p>(Date)</p>	<p><b>Official Use:</b></p> <p><b>Application Approved:</b></p> <p><b>Application Denied:</b></p> <p><b>Date:</b> _____</p> <p><b>By:</b> _____</p> <p><b>Title:</b> _____</p> <p><b>Reason:</b></p>
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**St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department**

44 Park Street  
Canton, NY 13617

**Guarantee of Payment of Haulers / Customers Indebtedness to  
St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department**

In order to induce St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department to extend credit to:  
\_\_\_\_\_ the undersigned individual ("Guarantor")

(Applicant)

unconditionally guarantees St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department that the Applicant will promptly and punctually pay or cause to be paid when due any indebtedness owed by the Applicant to St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department and, in default of such payment, the undersigned unconditionally promises and agrees to pay St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department, upon demand, all amounts which the Applicant shall owe St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department, whether such amounts now exist or shall hereafter arise, together with interest thereon and costs of collection, including reasonable attorney's fees ("obligations").

Guarantor further agrees (a) that this Guaranty shall not be affected or impaired by any extension, renewal, release or modification of the obligations secured thereby, or any one or more of them or of any term or provision thereof or of any instruments given in pursuance thereof or in exchange thereof or to supplement, extend, modify or take up the same or any security therefore, and (b) that without notice to or further consent of Guarantor, St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department and the Applicant may deal with each other as they may see fit without in any way releasing or affecting the liability of guarantor or impairing St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department's rights and remedies under this Guaranty, and (c) that the liability of the guarantor hereunder shall be immediate, direct and unconditional and may be enforced without St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department pursuing any of its rights or remedies against the Applicant, its successors or assigns or against any security that St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department may have, hold or be entitled to or against Guarantor or any other guarantor of said indebtedness, and (d) that the liability of Guarantor shall not be affected by any lack of authority or any other defense which the Applicant or Guarantor might have against the enforcement against them of any of the agreements referred to above.

Notice of any default or non-payment by the Applicant of the obligation or obligations and demand for payment and presentment and protest of any note or of any other related instrument and notice thereof or of dishonor, non-payment or protest are hereby waived by Guarantor.

No delay by St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department in exercising any right, power or privilege under the obligations or this Guaranty or otherwise, shall operate as a waiver of any such privilege or right. This Guaranty and the liability of Guarantor hereunder shall be binding upon the heirs, distributees, legal representatives, successors, and assigns of Guarantor. All of the rights of St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department may be assigned by it and shall inure to the benefit of its successors and assigns; St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department shall give notice to Guarantor of any assignment, but the failure to give notice shall not affect the validity or enforceability of this Guaranty.

If there is more than one person designated hereunder as Guarantor, their obligations under this Guaranty shall be joint and several and references to "Guarantor" in this agreement shall, where the context makes appropriate, refer to them and each of them.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Guarantor has signed this instrument on

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Principal or Owner Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Business Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Business Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Business Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Federal ID #

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**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

STATE OF NEW YORK ss:  
COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_

On the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, before me, the undersigned,  
personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_, personally known to me or  
proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is  
subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same  
in his/her capacity, and that by his/her signature on the instrument, the individual, entity or  
person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

January 2, 2024

**St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department  
Authorization for the Release of Credit Information**

The undersigned hereby authorizes and directs you to release any and all financial information in your possession regarding my accounts, loans, transactions, lending history or any other information that may be useful in determining my credit worthiness to St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department, 44 Park Street, Canton, NY 13617.

I also consent, agree and authorize you to orally advise St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department of any and all such information pertaining to my credit worthiness.

Finally, I agree to hold you and St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department harmless from any and all liability which may result from the transmission of any information provided hereunder. I am signing this release on behalf of the corporation, partnership or sole proprietorship for which, by my signature, I certify that I have the authority to sign.

I have read and understand the above:

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Principal or Owner Signature

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Printed Name

Signed on behalf of:

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Business Name

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Date

January 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 20-2024

**TRANSFER OF AN EXCLUSIVE OPTION FOR THE LEASE OF  
COUNTY-OWNED MINERAL RIGHTS ON TWO CERTAIN PARCELS  
OF LAND IN THE TOWN OF EDWARDS**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the County of St. Lawrence (hereinafter referred to as “County”) is the record title owner of mineral rights located on two lots in the Town of Edwards, identified further as Tax Map Parcel No. 175.002-1-5.1/1 and Tax Map Parcel No. 188.001-1-2.1/1, which is recorded in the St. Lawrence County Clerk’s Office, and

**WHEREAS**, the County has been approached by Empire State Mines, LLC (ESM), operator and owner of the talc and zinc mining operation in the south eastern portion of the County, to extend the original 2015 option for the potential lease of the mineral rights currently held by the County, pertaining to the specific aforementioned parcels, and

**WHEREAS**, ESM has expressed an interest in exploring potential mineral deposits associated with these parcels for the possible expansion and development of ESM zinc and talc extraction, and

**WHEREAS**, an option for the lease of the land, which would contain permission for ESM to explore and access the property, is believed to be advantageous both by the Board of Legislators and ESM, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators has made it a priority to assist in economic development that brings with it the potential for job creation in the County, and

**WHEREAS**, should ESM discover zinc and talc aggregates at the location, the option would provide for ESM to have a right to lease the mineral property rights from the County at a price to be negotiated at a later date, and

**WHEREAS**, should ESM determine to exercise their right of first refusal through any option, the County would be in a position to discuss possible job creation and economic impacts that would result from mining expansion in the southeastern portion of the County, and

**WHEREAS**, the initial option would be for a one (1) year period with the possibility of extending the option for four (4) successive one (1) year periods at a rate of six hundred and ten dollars and zero cents (\$610.00) per year during the life of the option,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to transfer an exclusive option for the lease of County-owned mineral rights on two certain parcels of land in the Town of Edwards, and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to convey an exclusive option for the lease of real property to ESM regarding mineral rights located in the Town of Edwards, and identified further as two lots in the Town of Edwards, identified as Tax Map Parcel No. 175.002-1-5.1/1 and Tax Map Parcel No. 188.001-1-2.1/1 and to execute all documents necessary and directly related to the conveyance of the option, execution of the option agreement, and potential access for the purpose of economic development and job creation, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 20-2024 Entitled "Transfer of an Exclusive Option for the Lease of County-Owned Mineral Rights on Two Certain Parcels of Land in the Town of Edwards", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 21-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S  
OFFICE FOR THE SELF-INSURANCE FUND DUE TO  
INCREASED COSTS IN SCHEDULED LOSS OF USE AWARDS**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Self-Insurance Fund is responsible for the payment of Workers' Compensation related expenditures, and

**WHEREAS**, part of the administration of the workers' compensation claims requires an assessment of files that may not be prepared for full and final settlement but where a claimant has reach maximum medical improvement, and

**WHEREAS**, under New York Workers' Compensation Law, a Schedule Loss of Use Award may be made when a claimant has reached maximum medical improvement and the claimant's body part (s) have a permanent loss of use as a result of their work-related injury, and

**WHEREAS**, under a Schedule Loss of Use Award, compensation is limited to a certain number of weeks based on the body part and severity of the disability, according to a schedule set by law, and

**WHEREAS**, the employer sees a credit both from the fact that the temporary benefits that have been paid are deducted from the total Schedule Loss of Use Award, and future full and final settlements are reduced by that credit as an advance against the final value of the claim, and

**WHEREAS**, these Schedule Loss of Use Award are largely viewed within the industry as the end of the claim incapable of being fully and finally settled due to some other impediment such as continued employment, and

**WHEREAS**, these Schedule Loss of Use Awards, coming during economic downturns, have created a deficit in the Benefits and Awards account which also covers the claimants' medical and indemnity payments, and

**WHEREAS**, County Law, Article 7, Sections 363 and 366, allow the Board of Legislators to amend the budget to shift funds between lines where there exists an excess in some accounts and a deficit in others, and

**WHEREAS**, it will be necessary to transfer money from the Self-Insurance Plan Reserve account, by increasing the appropriated fund balance to cover those payments as they come due,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Budget for the County Attorney's Office for the Self-Insurance Fund due to increased costs in Scheduled Loss of Use Awards, as follows:

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**DECREASE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

07TG0911 50300	Fund Balance, Unreserved Unappropriated	\$200,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

07TG0910 50300	Fund Balance, Unreserved Appropriated	\$200,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

LI017204 40301	SI Workers Comp Benefits and Awards	\$200,000
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STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) ss:
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE	)

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 21-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2023 Budget for the County Attorney's Office for the Self-Insurance Fund Due to Increased Costs in Scheduled Loss of Use Awards", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 22-2024

**AUTHORIZING BLANKET BOND IN LIEU OF INDIVIDUAL SURETIES  
FOR COUNTY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, official undertakings are required for certain public officials, and

**WHEREAS**, the surety on such undertakings may be a fidelity or surety corporation, and

**WHEREAS**, the reasonable expense of procuring such surety shall be a charge against the State or political subdivision or municipal corporation, respectively, in and which the official or employee is elected, and

**WHEREAS**, the County of St. Lawrence wishes to provide such a surety for its elected officials and employees as follows:

- A. \$200,000/loss coverage for the Sheriff, the District Attorney, and all other employees required to be bonded;
- B. \$200,000/loss coverage for the County Clerk;
- C. \$900,000/loss coverage for the Treasurer;
- D. \$5,000 deductible on all of the above,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to obtain a blanket bond in lieu of individual sureties in the above amounts and not exceeding \$9,000.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 22-2024 Entitled "Authorizing Blanket Bond in Lieu of Individual Sureties for County Officials and Employees", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024



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Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 23-2024

**BANK DEPOSITORIES AND INVESTMENT OF COUNTY FUNDS**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that in accordance with County Law and General Municipal Law the following banks be and hereby are designated as depositories for County funds received by the County Treasurer with permitted maximum deposits at any one time listed below:

<u>Depository Name</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
Community Bank N.A.	\$75,000,000
Key Bank N.A.	\$75,000,000
Upstate National Bank	\$10,000,000
NBT	\$10,000,000
Citizens Bank	\$10,000,000
Municipal Investors Service Corporation	\$10,000,000
First Empire Securities	\$10,000,000
NYCLASS	\$50,000,000
NY MuniTrust	\$50,000,000
Webster Bank	\$10,000,000
Tioga State Bank	\$10,000,000
TD Bank	\$10,000,000
JP Morgan Chase Bank, N.A.	\$1,000,000

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to deposit money in accordance with the St. Lawrence County Investment Policy, and this policy authorizes the Treasurer to deposit funds, not needed temporarily, in certificates of deposit, Money Market Accounts, United States Treasury Bills, repurchase agreements, and day-of-deposit to day-of-withdrawal savings account, at prevailing interest rates in any bank authorized for the deposit of County funds as per this resolution, and that the County Treasurer may use his/her discretion in selecting any allowable bank under NY General Municipal Law for investment purposes only, up to a limit of \$10,000,000 per bank unless otherwise noted in this policy, a report of such investments must be provided to the Board of Legislators at the subsequent Finance Committee meeting, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the total deposits, excluding United States Treasury Bills, are not to exceed the amounts authorized by this resolution, and are to be secured as required by Article 10 of the General Municipal Law and as outlined by the Investment Policy of the County.

## **INVESTMENT POLICY FOR ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY**

### **I. SCOPE**

This investment policy applies to all moneys and other financial resources available for investment by the County or on behalf of any other entity or individual.

### **II. OBJECTIVES**

The primary objectives of the County's investment activities are, in priority order:

- \* to conform with all applicable federal, state and other legal requirements;
- \* to adequately safeguard principal;
- \* to provide sufficient liquidity to meet all operating requirements;
- \* to obtain a reasonable rate of return;
- \* to make every effort to invest locally.

### **III. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY**

The responsibility of the Board of Legislators for administration of the investment program is delegated to the County Treasurer, who shall maintain written procedures for the operation of the investment program consistent with these investment guidelines. Such procedures shall include an adequate internal control structure to provide a satisfactory level of accountability based on a database or records incorporating description and amount of investments, transaction dates, and other relevant information and regulate the activities of subordinate employees.

### **IV. PRUDENCE**

All participants in the investment process shall seek to act responsibly as custodians of the public trust and shall avoid any transaction that might impair public confidence in the St. Lawrence County Legislature to govern effectively.

Investments shall be made with judgment and care, under circumstances then prevailing, which persons of prudence, discretion and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the safety of the principal as well as the probable income to be derived.

All participants involved in the investment process shall refrain from personal business activity that could conflict with proper execution of the investment program, or which could impair their ability to make impartial investment decisions.

### **V. DIVERSIFICATION**

It is the policy of the County to diversify its deposits and investments by financial institution, by investment instrument, and by maturity scheduling.

## VI. INTERNAL CONTROLS

It is the policy of the County for all moneys collected by any officer or employee of the government to transfer those funds to the Treasurer within 5 days of deposit, or within the time period specified in law, whichever is shorter.

The Treasurer is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure to provide reasonable assurance that deposits and investments are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly, and are managed in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

## VII. DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORIES

The Board of Legislators, at its annual organizational meeting each January, shall designate the banks authorized for the deposit of moneys and the maximum amount, which can be deposited at each bank. Additionally, the County Treasurer may select any bank allowable under New York General Municipal Law for investment purposes only, up to a limit of \$10,000,000 per bank, unless otherwise noticed in this policy. Should the Treasurer invest in any bank not already designated at the annual organizational meeting, yet allowable under New York Municipal Law, the Treasurer must provide a report to the Board of Legislators at the monthly Finance Committee following any such investment.

## VIII. COLLATERALIZING OF DEPOSITS

In accordance with the provisions of General Municipal Law, all deposits of St. Lawrence County, including certificates of deposit and special time deposits, in excess of the amount insured under the provisions of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act shall be secured:

1. By a pledge of eligible securities with an aggregate market value as provided by General Municipal Law, equal to aggregate amount of deposits.
2. By an eligible irrevocable letter of credit issued by a qualified bank other than the bank with the deposits in favor of the government for a term not to exceed 90 days with an aggregate value equal to 140% of the aggregate amount of deposits and the agreed upon interest, if any. A qualified bank is one whose commercial paper and other unsecured short-term debt obligations are rated in one of the three highest rating categories by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization or by a bank that is in compliance with applicable federal minimum risk-based capital requirements.
3. By an eligible surety bond payable to the government for an amount at least equal to 100% of the aggregate amount of deposits and the agreed upon interest, if any, executed by an insurance company authorized to do business in New York State, whose claims-paying ability is rated in the highest rating category by at least two nationally recognized statistical rating organizations.

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IX. SAFEGUARDING AND COLLATERALIZATION

Eligible securities used for collateralizing deposits shall be held by the depository or a third party bank or trust company subject to security and custodial agreements.

The security agreement shall provide that eligible securities are being pledged to secure County deposits together with agreed upon interest, if any, and any costs or expenses arising out of the collection or such deposits upon default. It shall also provide the conditions under which the securities may be sold, presented for payment, substituted or released and the events, which will enable the County to exercise its rights against the pledged securities. In the event that the securities are not registered or inscribed in the name of the County, such securities shall be delivered in a form suitable for transfer or with an assignment to the County or its custodial bank.

The custodial agreement shall provide that securities held by the bank or trust company, or agent of and custodian for, the County, will be kept separate and apart from the general assets of the custodial bank or trust company and will not, in any circumstances, be commingled with or become part of the backing for any other deposit or other liabilities. The agreement should also describe that the custodian shall confirm the receipt, substitution or release of the securities. The agreement shall provide for the frequency of revaluation of eligible securities and for the substitution of securities when a change in the rating of a security may cause ineligibility. Such agreement shall include all provisions necessary to provide the County a perfected interest in the securities.

X. PERMITTED INVESTMENTS

As authorized by General Municipal Law Section 11, the County Legislature authorizes the County Treasurer to invest moneys not required for immediate expenditure for terms not to exceed its projected cash flow needs in the following types of investments:

- \* Special time deposit accounts
- \* Certificates of deposits
- \* Obligations of the United States of America
- \* Obligations guaranteed by agencies of the United States
- \* Obligations of the State of New York
- \* Obligations issued by a municipality, school district or district corporation in New York State, other than the County
- \* Obligations of public authorities, public housing authorities, urban renewal agencies and industrial development agencies where the general state statutes governing such entities or whose specific enabling legislation authorizes such investments
- \* Through a Deposit Placement Program, certificates of deposit in one or more “banking institutions”, as defined in Banking Law Section 9-r
- \* General obligation bonds and notes of any state other than this state, provided that such bonds and notes receive the highest rating of at least one independent rating agency designated by the state comptroller

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- \* Obligations of any corporation organized under the laws of any state in the United States maturing within two hundred seventy days, provided that such obligations receive the highest rating of two independent rating services designated by the state comptroller and that the issuer of such obligations has maintained such ratings on similar obligations during the preceding six months, provided, however, that the issuer of such obligations need not have received such rating during the prior six month period if such issuer has received the highest rating of two independent rating services designated by the state comptroller and is the successor or wholly-owned subsidiary of an issuer that has maintained such ratings on similar obligations during the preceding six month period or if the issuer is the product of a merger of two or more issuers, one of which has maintained such ratings on similar obligations during the preceding six month period, provided, however, that no more than two hundred fifty million dollars may be invested in such obligations of any one corporation
- \* Bankers' acceptances maturing within two hundred seventy days which are eligible for purchase in the open market by federal reserve banks and which have been accepted by a bank or trust company which is organized under the laws of the United States or of any state thereof and which is a member of the federal reserve system and whose short-term obligations meet the criteria outlined in clause (7). Provided, however, that no more than two hundred fifty million dollars may be invested in such bankers' acceptances of any one bank or trust company; or
- \* Obligations of, or instruments issued by or fully guaranteed as to principal and interest by, any agency or instrumentality of the United States acting pursuant to a grant of authority from the Congress of the United States, including but not limited to, any federal home loan bank or banks, the Tennessee valley authority, the federal national mortgage association, the federal home loan mortgage corporation and the United States postal service, provided, however, that no more than two hundred fifty million dollars may be invested in such obligations of any one agency
- \* No-load money market mutual funds registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and operated in accordance with Rule 2a-7 of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, provided that such funds are limited to investments in obligations issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or in obligations of agencies or instrumentalities of the United States of America where the payment of principal and interest are guaranteed by the United States of America (including contracts for the sale and repurchase of any such obligations) and are rated in the highest rating category by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization, provided, however, that no more than two hundred fifty million dollars may be invested in such funds

All investment obligations shall be payable or redeemable at the option of the County within such times as the proceeds will be needed to meet expenditures for purposes for which the monies were provided and, in the case of obligations purchased with the proceeds of bonds or notes, shall be payable or redeemable at the option of the County within two years of the date of purchase. When applying this requirement to repurchase agreements, the repurchase date and not the maturity of the underlying maturity, shall govern.

## XI. AUTHORIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND DEALERS

The County shall maintain a list of financial institutions and dealers approved for investment purposes and establish appropriate limits to the amount of investments, which can be made with each financial institution or dealer. All financial institutions with which the local government conducts business must be credit worthy. Banks shall provide their most recent Consolidated Report of Condition (Call Report) at the request of the County. Security dealers not affiliated with a bank shall be required to be classified as reporting dealers affiliated with the New York Federal Reserve Bank, as primary dealers. The Treasurer is responsible for evaluating the financial position and maintaining a listing of proposed depositories, trading partners and custodians. Such listing shall be evaluated at least annually.

## XII. PURCHASE OF INVESTMENTS

The Treasurer is authorized to contract for or place orders for the purchase of investments:

1. Directly, including through a repurchase agreement, from an authorized trading partner.
2. By participation in a cooperative investment program with another authorized governmental entity pursuant to Articles 5G and 3A of the General Municipal Law where such program meets all the requirements set forth in the Office of the State Comptroller Opinion No. 88-46, and the specific program has been authorized by the governing board.
3. By utilizing an ongoing investment program with an authorized trading partner pursuant to a contract authorized by the governing board.
4. By utilizing an ongoing investment program with an authorized investment adviser provided that all investments are directed by authorized personnel of the County, all trading partners are authorized by the designated Bank and the investment advisory agreement is approved by the Treasurer.

All purchased obligations, unless registered or inscribed in the name of the County, shall be purchased through, delivered to and held in the custody of a bank or trust company. Such obligations shall be purchased, sold or presented for redemption or payment by such bank or trust company only in accordance with prior written authorization from the officer authorized to make the investment. All such transactions shall be confirmed in writing to the Treasurer by the bank or trust company. Any obligation held in custody of a bank or trust company shall be held pursuant to a written custodial agreement as described in General Municipal Law.

The custodial agreement shall provide that securities held by the bank or trust company, as agent of and custodian for, the County, will be kept separate and apart from the general assets of the custodial bank or trust company and will not, in any circumstances, be commingled with or become part of the backing for any other deposit or other liabilities. The agreement shall describe how the custodian shall confirm the receipt and release of the securities. Such

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agreement shall include all provisions necessary to provide the County a perfected interest in the securities.

### XIII. REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS

Repurchase agreements are authorized subject to the following restrictions:

- \* All repurchase agreements must be entered into subject to a Master Repurchase Agreement.
- \* Trading partners are limited to banks or trust companies authorized to do business in New York State and primary reporting dealers.
  
- \* Obligations shall be limited to obligations of the United States or guaranteed by agencies of the United States.
- \* No substitution of securities will be allowed unless the substitute securities are delivered to an independent custodian for the account of the County before the previously purchased securities are released.
- \* The custodian shall be a party other than the trading partner.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 23-2024 Entitled "Bank Depositories and Investment of County Funds", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

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Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 24-2024

**AUTHORIZING PETTY CASH ACCOUNT AND DEPARTMENTAL CASH DRAWERS**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, several County departments utilize petty cash accounts and/or cash drawers in their daily operations,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes petty cash accounts and departmental cash drawers, as follows:

Petty Cash Accounts:

Public Health	\$250
Probation	\$400
Sheriff	\$1,500
Social Services	\$1,500
Highway	\$150
Community Services	<u>\$250</u>
Total	\$4,050

Departmental Cash Drawers:

Sheriff Civil Department	\$100
Mental Health	\$100
Chemical Dependency, Canton	\$100
Treasurer	\$250
County Clerk	\$1,000
County Clerk DMV, Canton	\$600
County Clerk DMV, Massena	\$400
County Clerk DMV, Ogdensburg	\$400
County Clerk DMV, Gouverneur	\$300
Real Property	\$100
Solid Waste Transfer, Ogdensburg	\$450
Solid Waste Transfer, Massena	\$450
Solid Waste Transfer, Star Lake	\$450
Solid Waste Transfer, Gouverneur	\$450
Social Services	<u>\$200</u>
Total	\$5,350

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that each Department will submit an annual reconciliation of each petty cash account and cash drawer to the Treasurer at the end of each year.

STATE OF NEW YORK                   )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE        )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 24-2024 Entitled "Authorizing Petty Cash Account and Departmental Cash Drawers", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024



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Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 25-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH NEW YORK STATE  
OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES (ITS) FOR  
UPGRADED DIGITAL ORTHOIMAGERY PROGRAM AND MODIFYING  
THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, orthoimagery is invaluable for emergency response, environmental, planning and real property uses, and

**WHEREAS**, the New York Statewide Digital Orthoimagery Program (NYSDOP) has collected aerial imagery for a portion of the State every year, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County is planned for inclusion of new imagery in the Spring of 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Office of Information Technology Services (ITS) funds a base program covering counties with 1-foot pixel four-band orthoimagery at no cost to the County, and

**WHEREAS**, an upgrade is available to increase the imagery resolution to 0.5-foot pixel four-band orthoimagery, providing a sharper, more detailed image, at a cost of \$182,200,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an agreement with New York State Office of Information Technology Services (ITS) for upgraded digital orthoimagery program, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the County Administrator's Office, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$182,200
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

BL010104 43007	B LB Other Fees & Services	\$182,200
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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 25-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement with New York State Office of Information Technology Services (ITS) for Upgraded Digital Orthoimagery Program and Modifying the 2024 Budget for the County Administrator's Office", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

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Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 26-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the following organizations have appropriations in the 2024 St. Lawrence County Budget,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign contracts with each of the organizations listed, upon approval of the County Attorney:

<u>ORGANIZATIONS:</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NUMBERS:</u>	<u>AMOUNT:</u>
Alzheimer's Disease & Related Disorders Assoc.	OA067724 43007	Rate Schedule
Bigleaf Networks	CD016804 43007	\$9,500
Catholic Charities (Incest Offenders)	DAS60104 430CA	\$42,000
Catholic Charities (CSS)	A4143224 465CC	\$247,560
Catholic Charities (CRV)	A4243224 465CC	\$128,153
Childcare Coordinating Council of North Country	Various Accounts	Rate Schedule
Children's Home of Jefferson County	A4443224 465CH	\$21,644
Children's Home of Jefferson County (Fost. Futures)	DSC61194 465IL	\$77,700
Citizen Advocates	A4143224 465CA	\$20,063
Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center (Lifeline) (DSS)	Various Accounts	\$30 per month per case
Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center (Lifeline) (OFA)	Various Accounts	\$30 per month per case
Cornell Cooperative Extension (BOL)	B1A87504 465CE	\$330,789
Cornell Cooperative Extension (OFA)	ON067724 430SF	\$6,000
Cornell Cooperative Extension (PH)	PP040104 465CE	\$109,211
Mental Health Counseling Services of NNY	Various Accounts	Rate Schedule
DeKalb Development Fund	ON067724 40700	\$4,140
Dr. Michael Sikirica, Medical Examiner	PC011854 43016	Rate Schedule
Family Counseling Services of NNY, Inc.	Various Accounts	Rate Schedule
Gouverneur Community Center, Inc.	ON067724 40700	\$7,800
Glens Falls Hospital	PC011854 451000 and PC011854 407MF	Rate Schedule
SLC CDP Gouv Neigh Center (HEAP Outreach)	DAH60104 430OF HEAP	\$35 per unit
Health Services of Northern New York	OA067724 43007	Rate Schedule
Homemakers of Western NY	OA067724 43007	Rate Schedule
Horizon Information Systems, Inc.	DAS60104 47801	(up to) \$1,300
Horizon Information Systems, Inc. (Programming)	DAS60104 47801	Rate Schedule
James McGuinness & Associates, Inc.	PK040504 42004	\$13,000
Karole Houle-Marolf	DAA60104 43007	\$4,680
LabCorp	DAC60104 43004	\$51 per unit
Linda Buchanan	ON067724 43007	Rate Schedule
Legal Aid Society of Northeastern NY, Inc.	OA067724 43002	\$10,000
Massena Meals on Wheels	ON067724 430CA	\$43,000
Morristown Fire District	ON067724 40700	\$6,600
Neurodevelopmental Health Services	Various Accounts	Rate Schedule
North Country Freedom Homes	A2342504 46500	\$641,585
North Country Transitional Living Services (CRV)	A4243224 465TL	\$112,128
North Country Transitional Living Services (OFS)	A4443224 465TL	\$157,534

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Northern Border Counseling Services	Various Accounts	Rate Schedule
Northern Border Counseling Services (employee)	Various Accounts	Rate Schedule
Northern Lights Home Health Care	OA067724 43007	Rate Schedule
Northern Regional Center (OFS)	A4443224 465NR	\$185,929
NYS DOCCS Office	ON067724 45200	\$2,000
NYSID, Inc.	DAA60104 43006	(up to) \$195,000
Our Lady of Lourdes Hospital and Twin Tier Pathology	PC011854 451000 and PC011854 407MF	Rate Schedule
Peter Ladd, PhD	Various Accounts	Rate Schedule
Potsdam Housing Authority	ON067724 40700	Site Use Only
Qualified Individuals	DAS60104 430QI	Rate Schedule
Reachout, Inc. (CSS)	A4143224 465RO	\$55,769
Reachout, Inc. (CRV)	A4243224 465RO	\$306,016
Reachout, Inc. (CRV)	A4243224 465RO HLINE	\$27,000
Reachout, Inc. (CPP)	A4343224 465RO	\$38,381
Renewal House (Services Non-Residential)	DPF61094 46500 ADC	(up to) \$105,034
Renewal House (Indirects/Residential)	DSG60704 46500 DVIO	(up to) \$101,207
Renewal House (TANF, Non-Residential)	DSG61094 46500 DVIO	(up to) \$36,473
Residential Treatment and Detention Centers	Various Accounts	Rate Schedule
Rubenzahl, Knudsen & Assoc. Psych Services	Various Accounts	Rate Schedule
SADA	CD016804 42004	\$2,500
Safe Harbour	Various Accounts	\$44,217
School Districts	Various Accounts	Rate Schedule
Saint Lawrence Pathology PLLC	PC011854 43016	Rate Schedule
SL Child Care Council (Registration Activities)	DSD60554 46500 CCBG	\$116,487
SL Child Care Council (Legally Exempt)	DSD60554 46500 CCBG	\$77,685
SLC Dept. of Community Services	DAS60104 43007 CCDS	(up to) \$210,000
SLC Dept. of Community Services (Empl. Cslng)	DAS60104 45100	Rate Schedule
SLC Dept. of Community Services (Qualified Ind.)	DSC61194 465PS	Rate Schedule
SLC District Attorney (Investigations)	DAB60104 430FI	(up to) \$81,815
SLC Historical Association	B1M75104 46000	\$20,000
SLC Information Technology	DAA60104 47802	(up to) \$189,108
SLC Soil & Water Conservation District	B1S87304 46000	\$60,423
SLC Trails Services Agreement	B1070204 46000	\$50,000
SLC Forestry	BF087104 43007	\$80,000
SL-Lewis BOCES (Parenting Education)	DSG60704 465PE	\$179,545
Seaway Valley Prevention Council (SVPC)	A2442504 46500	\$1,214,443
Seaway Valley Prevention Council	A4143224 465SV	\$45,558
Seniors Helping Seniors	OA067724 43007	Rate Schedule
St. Joseph's Rehabilitation Center	A2142304 46500	\$178,441
St. Lawrence Health System	PC011854 451000 and PC011854 407MF	Rate Schedule
STEP-BY-STEP (CSS)	A4143224 465SS	\$106,290
STEP-BY-STEP (CRV)	A4243224 465SS	\$102,536
STEP-BY-STEP (CPP)	A4343224 465SS	\$194,760
STEP-BY-STEP (DSS)	Various Accounts	(up to) \$192,000
Tiffany Nelson-Fuse (QRTP)	Various Accounts	Rate Schedule
Transitional Emp. Advancement Program (TEAP)	Various Accounts	Rate Schedule
The Arc Jefferson-St. Lawrence NY (CSS)	A4143224 465AR	\$232,436
The Arc Jefferson-St. Lawrence NY (CRV)	A4243224 465AR	\$65,002
The Arc Jefferson-St. Lawrence NY (OFS)	A4443224 465AR	\$269,025
Town of Fine	ON067724 40700	\$4,200
United Helpers (CRV)	A4243224 465UH	\$31,748
United Helpers (OFS)	A4443224 465UH	\$720,269
Usherwood Office Technologies	CD016804 43007	\$2,000
Venesky & Company	PA040104 43003	\$35,150
Volunteer Transportation Center	OA067724 443VT	\$75,000

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Volunteer Transportation Center (DSS)	Various Accounts	Rate Schedule
Wendy's Wonderful Kids	DAS60104 430HF	Rate Schedule
Youth Advocate Programs, Inc. /YAP (CORE)	DSC61194 465YA	\$796,356
YAP (Raise the Age)	Various Accounts	\$399,926
YAP (Reunification)	DSC61094 465YA PRP	\$1,260,487
YAP (YES)	DSC61094 465YA PJDC	\$428,648

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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 26-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign Contracts", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 27-2024

**NEWSPAPER DESIGNATION**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Section 214, Subdivision 2, of the New York State County Law, requires that the Board of Legislators annually designate at least two (2) newspapers published within the County as official newspapers for the publication of all local law notices and other matters required by law to be published, and

**WHEREAS**, said section requires that the designation take into consideration two major political parties,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators hereby designates the following newspapers for various publication purposes for the Year 2024:

**LOCAL LAWS AND OTHER MATTERS REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE PUBLISHED**

Johnson Newspapers

North Country This Week

Gouverneur Tribune Press

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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 27-2024 Entitled "Newspaper Designation", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 28-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE ST. LAWRENCE  
COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO PROVIDE ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES FOR ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 446-2019 authorized a contract with St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency for economic development services for three (3) years, ending December 31, 2023, and

**WHEREAS**, recognizing the value of the work of the IDA, who demonstrates a vital service to encourage and support economic development in St. Lawrence County, and renewing and extending the contract with the IDA will benefit the County, and

**WHEREAS**, the partnership between the IDA and St. Lawrence County is an important variable in the continuous efforts to recruit and retain business in the County and with the unique challenges in a rural county in New York State; the County has been well served by the work of the IDA,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency (IDA) to provide for economic development services in St. Lawrence County, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the provision of services on the terms and conditions as provided for in the contract, and modifying the terms of the contract and payment provisions as follows:

- The terms of the contract will be four (4) years beginning January 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2027.
- The payment provision of the contract will be modified to provide annual payments as follows (B1064604 460ID) in quarterly payments:

2024	\$400,000
2025	\$400,000
2026	\$425,000
2027	\$450,000

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that quarterly and annual reports will be provided to the County Administrator and Board of Legislators.

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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 28-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency to Provide Economic Development Services for St. Lawrence County", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024



January 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 29-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE ST. LAWRENCE  
COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR TOURISM PROMOTION**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 19-2021 authorized the Chair to sign a contract with the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce for tourism promotion for a term of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 364-2023 was adopted November 6, 2023, designating the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce, once again, as the St. Lawrence County Promotion Agency, and

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 Budget includes \$257,860 (B1064104 465CC) in the County Administrator's Office Budget for the Chamber of Commerce for tourism promotion in 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce represents the County as its Tourism Promotion Agent by creating a comprehensive marketing and advertising campaign, consisting of events, attractions, and recreational opportunities throughout the County, and

**WHEREAS**, tourism marketing and the opportunity to leverage state grant opportunities operates on a two-year cycle and requires a digital marketing presence,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce for Tourism Promotion, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the contract will continue the funding mechanism to a formula that incentivizes the Chamber to work diligently to improve tourism in St. Lawrence County by providing fifty percent (50%) of the five-year rolling average received in occupancy tax as an appropriation for each year of this contract, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County recommends that the Chamber of Commerce continue to improve its financial position and bring measurable successes to the Board of Legislators annually for review, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chamber of Commerce continue to review potential projects for County funding and to bring forward requests when appropriate.

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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 29-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce for Tourism Promotion", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

Finance Committee: 12-18-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 30-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR SOCIAL SERVICES FOR ADMINISTRATION,  
MEDICAID, TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE, MAINTENANCE, OFFICE SUPPLIES,  
FURNITURE, FUEL, AND MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, due to higher than anticipated costs in several areas and lower local weekly medical assistance costs, it is necessary to modify the 2023 Social Services Budget,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorize the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Budget for Social Services for administration, Medicaid, temporary assistance, maintenance, office supplies, furniture, fuel, and mileage reimbursement, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

DAA60104 40800	D Adm Maintenance Building	\$16,000
DAA60104 42000	D Adm Office Supplies & Expenses	30,000
DAE60104 40700	D Emp Building and Property Rent	10,000
DAH60104 420GE HEAP	D HEAP Office Supplies	1,400
DAM60102 21000	D MAEL Furniture	1,500
DAM60104 43007	D MAEL Other Fees	18,000
DAP60104 499CN	D TA Client Notices	25,000
DAS60104 44100	D SG I/D Fuel Charges	45,000
DAS60104 44500	D SG Other Travel	20,000
DPA61424 46100	D EAA Directs	5,000
DSC61194 46500 ADAD	D ADCFC Adoption Subsidies	1,728,100
DSJ61234 465IB EAJD	D EAF JD/PINS Inst Board	<u>120,000</u>
		\$2,020,000

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

DPA36425 56000	D SA Emerg Aid for Adults	\$2,500
DA036105 56000	D SA General Admin	15,500
DA046105 57000	D FA General Admin	24,100
DSC36195 56000	D SA Child Care	535,700
DSC46195 57000	D FA Child Care	864,100
DAS36105 560CW	D SA Child Welfare Funding	<u>4,000</u>
		\$1,445,900

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

DAA60102 26000	D ADM Other Equipment	\$10,000
DPS61404 46100	D HR Directs	315,000
DSC61094 465YA PRP	D PRP Prevention/Reunification	200,000
DMG61014 46500	D LR Repayment Due State	10,000

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DMM61004 46500	D Medicaid to State	50,000
B1019904 49700	B Spec Contingency Account	<u>235,200</u>
		\$820,200

**DECREASE REVENUE:**

DPS36405 56000	D SA Safety Net	\$91,100
DSC36705 560CW	D SA Child Welfare Funding	<u>155,000</u>
		\$246,100

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   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 30-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2023 Budget for Social Services for Administration, Medicaid, Temporary Assistance, Maintenance, Office Supplies, Furniture, Fuel, and Mileage Reimbursement", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

January 2, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 31-2024

**AUTHORIZING FILLING OF VACANCIES**

By Mr. Sheridan, District 4 and Mr. Perkins, District 7

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 369-2019 and Resolution No. 253-2020 authorized the continuance of the current vacancy review process with a recommendation that the vacancies continue to be deliberated at each jurisdictional committee, but one resolution be created for all approved positions to be considered at the Regular Board Meeting, and

**WHEREAS**, the Vacancy Review Committee reviewed eight (8) positions in five (5) departments, and of those reviewed five (5) positions were new positions, and three (3) positions will be abolished,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the fill of each of the following vacancies which have been reviewed and recommended to be filled or created and filled by the Vacancy Review Committee:

<b>Department/Unit:</b>	<b>Title:</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Timeline</b>
Public Health	Public Health Nurse	504100001	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Public Health	Community Health Nurse	502000029	PT	Permanent	Immediate
Social Services/Reception	Clerk	002300017	FT	Contingent	Immediate
Social Services/Medical Svc	Senior Caseworker	815100012	FT	Contingent	Immediate
Board of Legislators/B&G	Senior Fiscal Officer	099600002	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Indigent Defense	Senior Fiscal Officer	099600003	FT	Provisional	30 days
Treasurer	Senior Title Searcher	109000001	FT	Provisional	Immediate
Treasurer	Senior Fiscal Officer	099600001	FT	Provisional	Immediate

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Position No. 100200034, Senior Account Clerk, be abolished, in Buildings and Grounds; Position No. 005200011, Administrative Assistant, be abolished in Indigent Defense; Position No. 100300008, Principal Account Clerk be abolished in the Treasurer's Office, and Title Searcher, Position No. 106800001, be abolished upon permanent appointment to the Senior Title Searcher Position in the Treasurer's Office, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** for any positions funded by grants, and the grant goes away, those positions will be abolished, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the appointing authorities are authorized to fill the positions as provided for in the resolution.

January 2, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 31-2024 Entitled "Authorizing Filling of Vacancies", adopted January 2, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
January 3, 2024

February 5, 2024

Operations Committee: 1-8-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 32-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH RAVE MOBILE  
SAFETY FOR AN EMERGENCY ALERT NOTIFICATION PROGRAM AND  
MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, an Emergency Alert Notification System is recommended as it would be beneficial to residents and emergency responders of St. Lawrence County,

**WHEREAS**, multiple systems have been reviewed, and RAVE Mobile Safety was determined to be the most cost-effective program for St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, RAVE Mobile Safety would allow mass notification by text and email to subscribers, sending thousands of messages per second to residents and visitors in a selected geographical location in the event of an emergency where such notification would be required, and

**WHEREAS**, RAVE Mobile Safety could act as a centralized hub for emergency information, allow for an effective platform for the distribution of information, providing real-time updates on emergencies such as flooding, blizzards, or severe weather alerts, and

**WHEREAS**, RAVE Mobile Safety also localizes access to IPAWS (FEMA's national system for local alerting that provides authenticated emergency and life-saving information to the public through multiple means of communication), which would expedite public notification to all individuals within a selected geographical location regardless of subscription to the service in the event of a major incident, and

**WHEREAS**, the cost for the RAVE Mobile Safety for a one-year subscription is \$23,940,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Rave Mobile Safety for an Emergency Alert Notification Program for one year, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget for the Office of Emergency Services, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$23,941
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

X2036404 42004	X Computer Software	\$23,941
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February 5, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 32-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Rave Mobile Safety for an Emergency Alert Notification Program and Modifying the 2024 Budget for Emergency Services", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024



February 5, 2024

Operations Committee: 1-8-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 33-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR FIVE  
CALL-TAKING LICENSES FOR THE 911 DISPATCH CENTERS**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Emergency Services has utilized Intrado to provide phone services in the Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) for the last twenty-five years; a system which has been updated to have the ability to directly interface with our Computer-Aided Dispatch (CAD) software provider Spillman, in order to streamline and expedite calls to 911 in St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County is in the process of planning an extensive 911 Dispatch Center renovation which will include the upgrade of technological equipment and service upgrades at both the Primary (Canton) and Backup (Massena) 911 Centers, and

**WHEREAS**, dispatch center renovation include adding additional call-taking locations; two (2) in the Dispatch Center, one (1) for the Supervisor of Dispatch, and one (1) for the Backup 911 Center in Massena, and

**WHEREAS**, adding licenses increases the annual maintenance costs associated with the equipment, computer systems, and support, and

**WHEREAS**, maintenance costs are typically budgeted within multiple State and Federal grants; however, with recent changes within the grant claiming process and increasing costs of other services in which the Office of Emergency Services utilizes, the maintenance cost is no longer paid for by the grants, and

**WHEREAS**, the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC), a political subdivision of Texas, was established pursuant to Texas Interlocal Cooperation Act (Texas Local Government Code, Title 7, Chapter 791), which allows local government and certain non-profits to contract or agree under the terms of the Act to make purchases or provide purchasing services and other administrative functions appropriately established by another agency, where these products and services are contracted after having been subjected to either a competitive bid (IFB) or competitive proposal (RFP) process, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County Government is contracted as an end-user with the HGA-C Program, and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Emergency Services has funding available in the budget for personnel and contractual accounts due to reduced costs throughout the year that are recommended for this expense,

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Budget for the Office of Emergency Services for call-taking licenses for the 911 Dispatch Centers, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

X1C34101 11000	X CD Direct Service Workers	\$18,000
X1C34101 17000	X CD Regular Part-Time	9,276
XP036404 43007	X PSCS Other Fees & Services	<u>14,400</u>
		\$41,676

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

XP036404 42004	X Computer Software	\$41,676
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STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 33-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2023 Budget for Emergency Services for Five Call-Taking Licenses for the 911 Dispatch Centers", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Operations Committee: 1-8-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 34-2024

**ENCOURAGING LOCAL GOVERNMENTS TO PROTECT AGRICULTURE  
BY USING A SOLAR DEVELOPMENT MAPPING TOOL FOR DECISION-MAKING  
REGARDING SOLAR DEVELOPMENT**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Gennett, District 13

**WHEREAS**, the market value of agricultural products grown in St. Lawrence County was \$191 million in 2017, and

**WHEREAS**, the success of the farming industry in St. Lawrence County relies on the availability of productive soils to grow food and products, and

**WHEREAS**, the presence of prime farmland and prime farmland if drained are limited to nineteen percent (19%) of all land in St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, large-scale solar arrays typically require five (5) to seven (7) acres of cleared, flat, dry land for every megawatt of power they generate, and

**WHEREAS**, the St. Lawrence County Planning Board has reviewed 45 solar projects over the past decade that have or will potentially displace 1,400 acres of farmland, and

**WHEREAS**, the rural character, affordable real estate prices, and presence of high voltage transmission lines in St. Lawrence County, along with the energy policies of New York State will continue to attract the siting of solar arrays on farmland, and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Office created a Solar Development Mapping Tool, located on the County Website at <https://stlawco.gov/Departments/Planning/SolarDevelopmentMappingTool> that identifies areas of the County where solar development will have less negative impacts on agricultural land, and is available and encouraged to use by local governments,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators encourages local governments to protect agriculture by using a Solar Development Mapping Tool for decision-making regarding solar development.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 34-2024 Entitled "Encouraging Local Governments to Protect Agriculture by Using a Solar Development Mapping Tool for Decision-Making Regarding Solar Development", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Operations Committee: 1-8-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 35-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A 30-DAY MODIFICATION PERIOD FOR THE EIGHT-YEAR AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT REVIEW THAT WILL RUN CONCURRENTLY WITH THE ANNUAL AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT REVIEW FOR ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY AND SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County established an agricultural districting program to protect and enhance its agricultural lands and farming industry, and

**WHEREAS**, Agricultural District No. 1 is undergoing an eight-year review and covers the Towns of DeKalb, DePeyster, Edwards, Fowler, Gouverneur, Hammond, Hermon, Macomb, Morristown, Oswegatchie, Pitcairn, and Rossie, and

**WHEREAS**, Agricultural District No. 2, which covers the Towns of Brasher, Canton, Hopkinton, Lawrence, Lisbon, Louisville, Madrid, Massena, Norfolk, Parishville, Pierrepont, Potsdam, Russell, Stockholm, and Waddington is proposed to be consolidated with Agricultural District No. 1, and

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Agricultural Districts Law requires a 30-day period to give landowners and municipalities the opportunity to petition for the inclusion of, or the removal of, land from an Agricultural District, and

**WHEREAS**, State regulations also require the County to give the public the opportunity to comment on any proposed changes to the Districts as recommended by the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board which will be completed with a Public Hearing,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the creation of a 30-day modification period for the eight-year agricultural district review that will run concurrently with the annual Agricultural District Review of the County, which occurs from March 1<sup>st</sup> to March 30<sup>th</sup> of each year, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes setting a date for a public hearing to allow the public the opportunity to comment on the recommendation of the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board to modify Agricultural Districts Nos. 1 and 2, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a public hearing to modify Agriculture Districts Nos. 1 and 2 will be held on Tuesday, April 23, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., at the Human Services Center Conference Room, located at 80 State Highway 310, Canton, New York.

STATE OF NEW YORK )  
 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE )

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Operations Committee: 1-8-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 36-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH NEW YORK STATE  
OFFICE OF COMMUNITY RENEWAL FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
BLOCK GRANT FUNDS AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET  
FOR THE PLANNING OFFICE**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Office of Community Renewal (OCR) has awarded \$615,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to St. Lawrence County to continue funding for the Countywide Housing Rehabilitation Program (CHRP 5), and

**WHEREAS**, these funds will be used to provide housing rehabilitation assistance to approximately twelve (12) eligible, income-qualified households in communities across the County,

**WHEREAS**, in the last forty-two years, 660 low-to-middle income households, in twenty-four different communities across St. Lawrence County, have been assisted with more than \$13.7 million in CDBG funding for housing rehabilitation to bring residences up to building codes and increase the quality of housing in the County,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract, and all necessary documentation, with New York State Office of Community Renewal for Community Development Block Grant Funds, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget for the Planning Office, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

N1080204 460GP NH55	N CDBG CHRP 5 Payments	\$615,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

N1049105 57000 NH55	N FA CHRP 5	\$615,000
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any remaining funds will be rolled over to future budgets until the grant is fully expended.

February 5, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 36-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with New York State Office of Community Renewal for Community Development Block Grant Funds and Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Planning Office”, adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Operations Committee: 1-8-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 37-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING  
PROGRAM AGREEMENT AND ANNUAL CERTIFICATION REPORT**

By Ms. Currans, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Justice requires that the St. Lawrence County District Attorney's Office file an annual Federal Equitable Sharing Program Agreement and Certification Report to be eligible to submit requests for federally forfeited property or proceeds, and

**WHEREAS**, this agreement is entered into by the United States Department of Justice, the County of St. Lawrence, and the St. Lawrence County District Attorney's Office (J4011654 49900 DEA),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a Federal Equitable Sharing Program Agreement and Annual Certification Report, and any subsequent amendments, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 37-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign Federal Equitable Sharing Program Agreement and Annual Certification Report", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024



February 5, 2024

Operations Committee: 1-8-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 38-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH NEW YORK STATE TECHNOLOGY ENTERPRISE CORPORATION (NYSTEC) FOR VIRTUAL CHIEF INFORMATION SECURITY OFFICER SERVICES AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, cybersecurity threats remain prevalent throughout the world including for governments, and

**WHEREAS**, the complexity of these threats and the tendency to change rapidly requires more focused on organizational strategy for cybersecurity, and

**WHEREAS**, these demands exceed the ability of in-house IT Staff but allow staff to augment specialty type professional services, and

**WHEREAS**, NYSTEC is a proven leader in security and has been commissioned by the State of New York to provide cybersecurity services to local governments to secure elections and has a working relationship with St. Lawrence County and its network environment, and

**WHEREAS**, NYSTEC provides Virtual Chief Information Security Officer (VCISO) services in lieu of having to hire a Chief Information Security Officer at significant expense, to include, but not limited to, regular security assessments, compliance training, vendor contract review, policy assistance, reports and recommendations, and

**WHEREAS**, these funds were set aside during the 2024 Budget in targeted contingency and requires authorization of the Board of Legislators,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with New York State Technology Enterprise Corporations (NYSTEC) for Virtual Chief Information Security Officer Services, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for Information Technology, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$40,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

CD016804 43007	C IT Other Fees	\$40,000
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February 5, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 38-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with New York State Technology Enterprise Corporation (NYSTEC) for Virtual Chief Information Security Officer Services and Modifying the 2024 Budget for Information Technology”, adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Operations Committee: 1-8-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 39-2024

**URGING GOVERNOR KATHY HOCHUL AND THE NEW YORK STATE  
LEGISLATURE TO PASS SENATE BILL S1230 AND ASSEMBLY BILL A4552,  
“AN ACT TO AMEND THE EDUCATIONS LAW, IN RELATION TO ADOPTING THE  
INTER-STATE NURSE LICENSURE COMPACT (PART A) AND TO AMEND THE  
EDUCATION LAW IN RELATION TO ADOPTING THE ADVANCED PRACTICE  
REGISTERED NURSE COMPACT (PART B)**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Hull, District 8

**WHEREAS**, the Nurse Licensure Compact is an agreement among states to allow nurses to practice with a multi-state license meaning if their nursing license was earned in one of the nursing compact states they can practice in other participating states without applying for another license, and

**WHEREAS**, the Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC) was proposed by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing in 1997 in response to a variety of calls for action, and

**WHEREAS**, legislation to adopt the NLC was first proposed in New York State in 2013, but as of August 2023, New York State is one of eleven (11) states in the Nation that remains a non-NLC State, and

**WHEREAS**, being a member of the NLC means nurses would have more geographic flexibility which helps nurses who work in multistate health systems and traveling nurses, and it also benefits participating states and their employers since they can hire nurses from other NLC states removing the need to apply for new licenses resulting in a more streamlined process, and

**WHEREAS**, there is a nation-wide shortage of nursing staff that has progressed over the years with several factors contributing to the healthcare staffing crisis such as an aging workforce, burnout, high turnover, and the lack of nursing educators, along with the COVID-19 pandemic which aggravated the healthcare crisis, and

**WHEREAS**, rural and remote areas, such as St. Lawrence County, tend to have older residents who typically require more medical attention and care, and having fully-staffed local hospitals and access to care is necessary, and

**WHEREAS**, being a member of the NLC would increase the number of available nurses; help prepare for natural disasters, virus outbreaks, or other unpredictable circumstances where more nurses would be needed; promote cooperation with nurses and healthcare professionals across state lines; and give greater access to care with patients not missing out on specialized care that they could benefit from because of state lines,

February 5, 2024

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators urges Governor Kathy Hochul and the New York State Legislature to pass Senate Bill S1230 and Assembly Bill A4552, “An Act to Amend the Educations Law, in Relation to Adopting the Inter-State Nurse Licensure Compact (Part A) and to Amend the Education Law in Relation to Adopting the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Compact (Part B), and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul; Senator Mark Walczyk; Senator Dan Stec; Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush; Assemblyman Scott Gray; NYSAC; James V. McDonald, Commissioner, New York State Department of Health; Betty A. Rosa, Commissioner, New York State Department of Education.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 39-2024 Entitled “Urging Governor Kathy Hochul and the New York State Legislature to Pass Senate Bill S1230 and Assembly Bill A4552, “An Act to Amend the Educations Law, in Relation to Adopting the Inter-State Nurse Licensure Compact (Part A) and to Amend the Education Law in Relation to Adopting the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Compact (Part B)”, adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Services Committee: 1-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 40-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS WITH PROVIDERS AND ORGANIZATIONS FOR THE CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS (CYSHCN) PROGRAM FOR COMMUNITY EVENTS**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs Program (CYSHCN) provides education and resources to families, providers, and the community as a whole, and

**WHEREAS**, the opportunity to contract with various providers and/or organizations to share this essential information at community events would be beneficial for all involved, and

**WHEREAS**, providers and/or organizations who sign contracts to take part in these community events would receive a rate of \$250 (PE040594 43007) per event,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorize the Chair to sign contracts with providers and/or organizations for the Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) Program for community events, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 40-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign Contracts with Providers and Organizations for the Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs (CYSHCN) Program for Community Events", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Services Committee: 1-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 41-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR PUBLIC HEALTH  
FOR THE COVID-19 VACCINE RESPONSE GRANT**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department was awarded \$313,036 (PPZ44895 57000 VAC) with objectives and goals to focus primarily on COVID-19 vaccine implementation, and

**WHEREAS**, there have been higher than anticipated operating expenses and fringe benefits within the COVID-19 Vaccine Response Grant, and a decrease in salary expense within the COVID-19 Vaccine Response Grant,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Budget for Public Health for the COVID-19 Vaccine Response Grant, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

PPZ40101 19000 VAC	P CVD Vaccine Temp and Part Time	\$24,353
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

PPZ40104 43005 VAC	P CVD Vaccine Advertising Fees & Expense	\$24,353
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any remaining funds will be rolled over to future budgets until the grant is fully expended.

STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) ss:
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE	)

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 41-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2023 Budget for Public Health for the COVID-19 Vaccine Response Grant", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Services Committee: 1-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 42-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE STOP-DWI 2024 PLAN FOR THE NEW YORK STATE GOVERNOR'S TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Service Committee

**WHEREAS**, Vehicle and Traffic Law §1197 requires the Chair of the Board of Legislators to approve the STOP-DWI 2024 Plan which has been submitted to the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee, and

**WHEREAS**, the STOP-DWI Plan was requested by the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee for the time period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, the STOP-DWI Program Budget was approved by the Board of Legislators on December 4, 2023,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign the STOP-DWI 2024 Plan for the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee, and any other documents necessary to carry out the terms of the program, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 42-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign the Stop-DWI 2024 Plan for the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Services Committee: 1-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 43-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2023 SOCIAL SERVICES BUDGET FOR YEAR END EXPENSES**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, due to higher than anticipated costs in some areas such as Safety Net and reduced spending in Preventive, it is necessary to modify the 2023 Social Services Budget to cover the final expenses for 2023,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorize the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Social Services Budget as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

DPS61404 46100	D HR Directs	\$9,000
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**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

DSC61094 465YA PRP	D PRP Prevent/Reunification	\$9,000
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 43-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2023 Social Services Budget for Year End Expenses", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024



February 5, 2024

Finance Committee: 1-29-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 44-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN ST. LAWRENCE  
COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT  
OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH INSPECTION SERVICE  
WILDLIFE SERVICES**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, it is the responsibility of the Department of Highways to maintain safe roadways in St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, beaver activity has caused significant damage to County roads including flooding of roads, erosion of roadbeds, blocked road culverts, and other related property damage, as well as indirect threats to human health and safety, and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Highways has requested assistance from the United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Wildlife Services (APHIS WS) to reduce damage caused by beavers at a cost not to exceed \$9,000 (HM351104 43007), and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of this Inter-governmental Agreement is to establish and administer a cooperative program between the Department of Highways and APHIS WS to reduce roadway damage along with the risk to human health and safety from beavers, and

**WHEREAS**, to mitigate damage caused by beaver, APHIS WS may install and maintain water control structures to reduce flooding and prevent beaver dams from restricting water flows where appropriate, as well as reduce local, site specific beaver numbers at locations where beaver activities are causing or threatening to damage roads or other properties managed or identified by the Department of Highways, and

**WHEREAS**, the terms of this agreement will become effective on March 1, 2024, and expire on December 31, 2024,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators authorize the Chair to sign an agreement between St. Lawrence County Department of Highways and the United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Wildlife Services, upon approval of the County Attorney.

February 5, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 44-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement between St. Lawrence County Department of Highways and the United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Wildlife Services”, adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Finance Committee: 1-29-2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 45-2024**

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS FOR  
THE LAZY RIVER ROAD BRIDGE OVER GRASSE RIVER, BIN 3341820, PIN 775332**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County is responsible for maintaining its infrastructure for the safety of the traveling public, and

**WHEREAS**, construction is scheduled for 2024 for the Lazy River Road Bridge over Grasse River, BIN 3341820, a Federal Pass-through project, and

**WHEREAS**, the steel inspection/material testing for this project was not included in the 2024 Department of Highways Budget, and

**WHEREAS**, the steel inspection/material testing for this project is funded with ninety-five percent (95%) Federal Funds and five percent (5%) local match,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for the Lazy River Road Bridge over Grasse River, BIN 3341820, PIN 775332, as follows:

**DECREASE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

03TG0911 50300	Fund Bal, Unreserved Unappropriated	\$3,750
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

03TG0910 50300	Fund Bal, Unreserved Appropriated	\$3,750
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HM299509 90600	H CR Transfers to Capital Fund	\$75,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

HM045975 57000	H F/A Transportation Capital Project	\$71,250
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HM651204 465CO 2101	H 2101 Sub-Contracts	\$75,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

06TG5031 90300	CP Transfer from County Road	\$75,000
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February 5, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 45-2024 Entitled “Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for the Lazy River Road Bridge over Grasse River, BIN 3341820, PIN 775332”, adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Finance Committee: 1-29-2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 46-2024**

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS FOR  
COUNTY ROUTE 35 BRIDGE OVER TROUT BROOK, BIN 3341700, PIN 775394**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County is responsible for maintaining its infrastructure for the safety of the traveling public, and

**WHEREAS**, construction is scheduled in 2024 for County Route 35 over Trout Brook, BIN 3341700, a Federal pass-through project, and

**WHEREAS**, the steel inspection/material testing for this project was not included in the 2024 Department of Highways' Budget, and

**WHEREAS**, the steel inspection/material testing for this project is funded with ninety-five percent (95%) Federal funds and five percent (5%) local match,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for County Route 35 Bridge over Trout Brook, BIN 3341700, PIN 775394, as follows:

**DECREASE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

03TG0911 50300	Fund Bal, Unreserved Unappropriated	\$3,100
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

03TG0910 50300	Fund Bal, Unreserved Appropriated	\$3,100
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HM299509 90600	H CR Transfers to Capital Fund	\$62,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

HM045975 57000	H F/A Transportation Capital Project	\$58,900
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HM651204 465CO 2035	H 2035 Sub-Contracts	\$62,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

06TG5031 90300	CP Transfer from County Road	\$62,000
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February 5, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 46-2024 Entitled “Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for County Route 35 Bridge over Trout Brook, BIN 3341700, PIN 775394”, adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Finance Committee: 1-29-2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 47-2024**

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS FOR  
COUNTY ROUTE 22 BRIDGE OVER SAWYER CREEK, BIN 3340950, PIN 775425**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County is responsible for maintaining its infrastructure for the safety of the traveling public, and

**WHEREAS**, construction is scheduled for 2024 for County Route 22 over Sawyer Creek, BIN 3340950, a Federal Pass-through project, and

**WHEREAS**, the engineering and design for this project was not included in the 2024 Department of Highways' Budget, and

**WHEREAS**, the engineering and design for this project is funded with ninety-five percent (95%) Federal funds and five percent (5%) local match,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for County Route 22 Bridge over Sawyer Creek, BIN 3340950, PIN 775425, as follows:

**DECREASE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

03TG0911 50300	Fund Bal, Unreserved Unappropriated	\$13,350
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

03TG0910 50300	Fund Bal, Unreserved Appropriated	\$13,350
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HM299509 90600	H CR Transfers to Capital Fund	\$267,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

HM045975 57000	H F/A Transportation Capital Project	\$253,650
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HM651204 465CO 2322	H 2322 Sub-Contracts	\$267,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

06TG5031 90300	CP Transfer from County Road	\$267,000
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February 5, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 47-2024 Entitled “Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for County Route 22 Bridge over Sawyer Creek, BIN 3340950, PIN 775425”, adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024



February 5, 2024

Finance Committee: 1-29-2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 48-2024**

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS FOR  
THE COUNTY ROUTE 34 BRIDGE OVER TROUT BROOK, BIN 3341630, PIN 775426**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County is responsible for maintaining its infrastructure for the safety of the traveling public, and

**WHEREAS**, construction is scheduled for 2024 for County Route 34 over Trout Brook, BIN 3341630, a Federal pass-through project, and

**WHEREAS**, the engineering and design for this project was not included in the 2024 Department of Highways' Budget, and

**WHEREAS**, the engineering and design for this project is funded with ninety-five percent (95%) Federal funds and a five percent (5%) local match,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for the County Route 34 Bridge over Trout Brook, BIN 3341630, PIN 775426, as follows:

**DECREASE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

03TG0911 50300	Fund Bal, Unreserved Unappropriated	\$13,750
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

03TG0910 50300	Fund Bal, Unreserved Appropriated	\$13,750
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HM299509 90600	H CR Transfers to Capital Fund	\$275,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

HM045975 57000	H F/A Transportation Capital Project	\$261,250
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HM651204 465CO 2334	H 2334 Sub-Contracts	\$275,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

06TG5031 90300	CP Transfer from County Road	\$275,000
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February 5, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 48-2024 Entitled “Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for the County Route 34 Bridge over Trout Brook, BIN 3341630, PIN 775426”, adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Finance Committee: 1-29-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 49-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS  
FOR ROAD MAINTENANCE WORK**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Highways budgets appropriation and revenue accounts to reflect current and projected operations, and

**WHEREAS**, the Department requests to amend the budget to more closely reflect actual operations for 2023, and

**WHEREAS**, the NYS DOT equipment rates were last updated in 2017 and were updating during 2023 to match FEMA rates, and

**WHEREAS**, due to a lack of snow during the early 2023 winter season, more road maintenance work was done by the Department,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Budget for the Department of Highways for Road Maintenance Work, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HM351104 40600	H MR Machinery Rental	\$241,000
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**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HC051424 454WM	H CSR Winter Maintenance Materials	\$200,000
HS051444 406000	H Snow Machinery Rental	<u>41,000</u>
		\$241,000

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE        )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 49-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2023 Budget for the Department of Highways for Road Maintenance Work", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Finance Committee: 1-29-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 50-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT FOR  
RECYCLING COSTS AND EQUIPMENT REPAIR**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution Nos. 263-2023 and 318-2023 authorized modifications to the 2023 Budget due to drastic changes in the market, and these changes continue to impact the Enterprise Fund, and

**WHEREAS**, the Solid Waste Department requires additional funding to cover the increase in recycling costs and equipment repairs, and

**WHEREAS**, unforeseen costs in 2023 have caused overages exceeding the budget, and

**WHEREAS**, the overage in these expenses can be offset by retained earnings,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Budget for the Solid Waste Department for recycling costs and equipment repair, as follows:

**DECREASE RETAINED EARNINGS:**

05TG0909 50300	Retained Earnings	\$66,100
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

05TG0599 50300	EL Fund Balance, Appropriated	\$66,100
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

WH081604 43018 RECY	W RECY Tipping Fees	\$57,000
WT081604 42200	W TRS I/D Equip Repair & Maintenance	<u>9,100</u>
		\$66,100

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 50-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2023 Budget for the Solid Waste Department for Recycling Costs and Equipment Repair", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Finance Committee: 1-29-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 51-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE TREASURER'S OFFICE  
FOR ADDITIONAL SALES TAX DISTRIBUTION**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, since 2017, the Treasurer's Office has received more sales tax revenue than budgeted for the Fiscal Year, and

**WHEREAS**, should revenue exceed budget, a budget modification is necessary to pay the towns and villages the additional funds shared by the County,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Budget for the Treasurer's Office to distribute additional sales tax, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

T3019854 465ST	T Distribution of sales tax	\$3,025,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

T3011105 55000	T R Sales and Use Tax	\$3,025,000
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STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE        )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 51-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2023 Budget for the Treasurer's Office for Additional Sales Tax Distribution", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Finance Committee: 1-29-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 52-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH ALLIED WORLD  
INSURANCE FOR MEDICAL MALPRACTICE INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR  
INSURANCE FOR COUNTY-EMPLOYED MEDICAL PROVIDERS**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County Government is comprised of twenty-four (24) Departments with three (3) departments that currently operate with a statutory and legal obligation to render medical care, and

**WHEREAS**, Public Health, Community Services, and the Sheriff's Office employ licensed medical professionals to render care to members of the public, and

**WHEREAS**, there are twenty-seven (27) medical professionals in Community Services (A1142504 414MM; A1242504 414 MM; A1342504 414 MM; A164250 414MM; A3143201 414MM; A3143204 414MM; A3243204 414MM; A3343204 414MM; A3743204 414MM); nine (9) medical professionals in the Sheriff's Office (S4031504 414MM); and ten (10) medical professionals in the Public Health Department (PE040594 414MM) and all require medical malpractice insurance to insure the County against any loss or liability associated with their practice areas, and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of the County Attorney, through insurance broker Rose & Kiernan, a subsidiary of NFP Insurance, secured quotes for the provision of medical malpractice insurance coverage, and

**WHEREAS**, Allied World Insurance was identified as the lowest, most reasonable bidder for the professional services, and

**WHEREAS**, the County has the ability to renew coverage through the extension of the original contract for medical malpractice coverage in the amount of \$275,000,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Allied World Insurance for medical malpractice insurance coverage, and any other documents necessary, for the County-employed medical providers, upon the approval of the County Attorney.

February 5, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 52-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Allied World Insurance for Medical Malpractice Insurance Coverage for Insurance for County-Employed Medical Providers", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Finance Committee: 1-29-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 53-2024

**SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED  
LOCAL LAW A (NO. \_) FOR THE YEAR 2024, “RESCINDING LOCAL LAW NO. 7  
FOR THE YEAR 1994 “BANNING DANGEROUS WEAPONS IN  
COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY & VEHICLES”**

By Mr. Forsythe, District 2 and Mr. Perkins, District 7

**WHEREAS**, in 1994, St. Lawrence County adopted Local Law No. 7 which banned the possession of dangerous weapons, to include licensed firearms, in County buildings and vehicles, and

**WHEREAS**, due to a lack of definition, the local law had the legal effect of banning possession of legally licensed firearm possession in not only buildings and vehicles but upon property appurtenant thereto, to include sidewalks, parking lots, and surrounding lands, and

**WHEREAS**, on June 23rd, 2022, the United States Supreme Court issued its decision in *NYSRPA et. al v. Bruen et. al*, striking down the New York State ‘proper cause’ requirements for the issuance of a pistol license, and

**WHEREAS**, building on *District of Columbia v. Heller* and the decision in *McDonald v. City of Chicago*, Illinois, the United States Supreme Court ruled in *Bruen* that the Second Amendment’s protection of “the right to keep and bear arms” extends to individual self-defense outside the home, and

**WHEREAS**, the *Bruen* Decision enunciated that historical analogues have permitted the banning of firearms within governmental buildings and property, among other places, but that it was incumbent upon the government to establish those regulations, and

**WHEREAS**, in response to the *Bruen* Decision, the New York State Legislature and Governor Kathy Hochul concluded a two-day extraordinary session on July 1, 2022 that led to Governor Hochul signing the “Concealed Carry Improvement Act” so titled by its proponents, and

**WHEREAS**, the Concealed Carry Improvement Act (CCIA) moved to circumvent the decision to deprive its citizens of any effective right to self-defense in public in one major way, by exponentially expanding the places [“Sensitive places”] in which a person with a valid license cannot carry a firearm for self-defense, and

**WHEREAS**, the State of New York has now usurped local authority in making rules related to possession of weapons on its own property so that Local Law No. 7 for the Year 1994 is no longer relevant, and

**WHEREAS**, the law requires that a Local Law adoption be preceded by a public hearing,



February 5, 2024

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that a public hearing on proposed Local Law A (No. \_\_) for the Year 2024 will be held on Monday, March 4, 2024, at 5:50 p.m. in the Legislative Chambers.

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW A FOR THE YEAR 2024 RESCINDING LOCAL LAW NO. 7  
FOR THE YEAR 1994 “BANNING DANGEROUS WEAPONS IN COUNTY OWNED  
BUILDINGS & VEHICLES”**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence as follows:

Section 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT

It is the intent of this local law to rescind Local Law No. 7 of the Year 1994 which had been entitled: “BANNING DANGEROUS WEAPONS IN COUNTY OWNED BUILDINGS AND VEHICLES” as the State of New York has enacted legislation which has rendered this local law superfluous.

Section 2. AUTHORITY

This local law is adopted pursuant to the Municipal Home Rule Law and the County Law which expressly authorizes the County Board to adopt a local law related to the property and operations of County government.

Section 3. RESCISSION OF LOCAL LAW OPTING OUT

The St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators hereby rescinds Local Law No. 7 of the Year 1994 which had been entitled: “Banning Dangerous Weapons in County owned Buildings and Vehicles”.

Section 4. SEVERABILITY

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstances, shall be adjusted by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

February 5, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 53-2024 Entitled "Setting a Date for a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law A (No. \_) for the Year 2024, "Rescinding Local Law No. 7 for the Year 1994 "Banning Dangerous Weapons in County Owned Property & Vehicles""", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Finance Committee: 1-29-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 54-2024

**REQUESTING A PARDON FROM THE PLANNED CLOSURE OF ANY PRISONS IN  
ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY AND URGING GOVERNOR KATHY HOCHUL TO  
CONSIDER THE IMPACT ADDITIONAL PRISON CLOSURES WILL HAVE ON THE  
LOCAL ECONOMY OF THE NORTH COUNTRY**

By Mr. Reagen, District 1; Mr. Forsythe, District 2; Mr. Perkins, District 7  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Lightfoot, District 3; Mr. Sheridan, District 4;  
Mr. Smithers, District 5; Mr. Denesha, District 6; Mr. Webster, District 11;  
Mr. Gennett, District 13; and Ms. Curran, District 15

**WHEREAS**, Governor Kathy Hochul released her proposed 2024-2025 Executive Budget on January 23, 2024, which included legislation to close up to five (5) State correctional facilities, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2022, the North Country withstood a significant impact from the closure of the Ogdensburg Correctional Facility, which was one of six prisons shut down that year, and the local economy and families are still struggling with the aftermath, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 276-2022 made a request to Governor Hochul to continue heating the Ogdensburg Correctional Facility until a realistic plan for its reuse, and the Governor demonstrated her good faith and genuine desire to redevelop the property by keeping the heat and lights on in the building to prevent needless destruction, and until the Redevelopment Commission she created successfully transitioned the facility into productive use that results in new jobs, new economic development opportunities, and real growth for Northern New York, so hearing of the possible closure of more prisons is devastating news, and

**WHEREAS**, further prison closures in St. Lawrence County will again lead to job loss impacting already stressed families that rely on these correctional facilities, and will affect the economic well-being of the entire community, resulting in the relocation of families and more vacant properties, and

**WHEREAS**, in addition, closing prisons affects public safety, which should be the top priority of the State of New York, and shutting down additional facilities throughout the State will further exacerbate the increasing crime rates and decrease safety within prisons by consolidating them even further,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators requests a pardon from the planned closure of any prisons in St. Lawrence County and urging Governor Hochul to consider the impact additional prison closures will have on the local economy of the North Country, and

February 5, 2024

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Katherine Hochul, Senator Mark Walczyk, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, and Assemblyman Scott Gray.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 54-2024 Entitled "Requesting a Pardon from the Planned Closure of Any Prisons in St. Lawrence County and Urging Governor Kathy Hochul to Consider the Impact Additional Prison Closures will have on the Local Economy of the North Country", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Finance Committee: 1-29-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 55-2024

**ESTABLISHING THE BUDGET FOR THE NY SCION INITIATIVE**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, New York State Department of Labor Technical Advisory #21-06 states that each Local Workforce Development Area must have at least one Disability Resource Coordinator on staff, and

**WHEREAS**, New York State Development of Labor Technical Advisory #21-06.01 expanded the three (3) year pilot program to a five (5) year program, and

**WHEREAS**, each Local Workforce Development Board will receive up to \$100,000 annually for five (5) consecutive years to assist with the implementation, and

**WHEREAS**, the Workforce Development Board has been awarded the third-year funding of \$100,000 to administer the initiative known as the New York Systems Change and Inclusive Opportunities Network (NY SCION), and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution #22-C09-05, which authorized the execution of the agreement to accept the funding for the NY SCION Initiative, was approved at the St. Lawrence County Workforce Development Board meeting on March 9, 2022, and

**WHEREAS**, the funds are available to be used from January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to establish the Budget for the NY SCION Initiative, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

UR262901 12000	Supervisory/Administrative	\$4,653
UR262904 40700	Bldg & Property Rent	500
UR262904 41400	Liability & Other Insurance	18
UR262904 42000	Office Supplies & Expenses	10
UR262904 42002	Copying Expenses	14
UR262904 42300	Other Communication Services	14
UR262904 42400	Postage	14
UR262904 42700	Membership & Dues	18
UR262904 430WI	WIB Expenses	1,800
UR262904 47800	DP Charges	140
UR262908 81000	Retirement	637
UR262908 83000	Social Security	330
UR262908 84000	Workers' Compensation	125
UR262908 84500	Group Life Insurance	7

UR262908 86000	Hospital & Medical Insurance	1,650
UR262908 86500	Dental Insurance	50
UR262908 89000	Vision Insurance	20
UR262911 11000	Direct Service Worker	53,042
UR262911 19550	Health Insurance Buyback	3,005
UR262914 40700	Bldg & Property Rent	4,121
UR262914 41100	Educational Workshops	2,500
UR262914 41400	Liability & Other Insurance	200
UR262914 41901	I/D Central Printing	150
UR262914 42000	Office Supplies & Expenses	281
UR262914 42002	Copying Expenses	65
UR262914 42300	Other Communication Services	78
UR262914 42400	Postage	85
UR262914 42700	Membership & Dues	338
UR262914 430WI	WIB Expenses	2,760
UR262914 47800	DP Charges	5,500
UR262918 81000	Retirement	7,280
UR262918 83000	Social Security	4,350
UR262918 84000	Workers Compensation	1,510
UR262918 84500	Group Life Insurance	115
UR262918 86000	Hospital & Medical Insurance	3,600
UR262918 86500	Dental Insurance	780
UR262918 89000	Vision Insurance	240
		<u>\$100,000</u>
	<b><u>INCREASE REVENUE:</u></b>	
UR247905 57000	NY SCION Revenue	\$100,000

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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 55-2024 Entitled “Establishing the Budget for the NY Scion Initiative”, adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Finance Committee: 1-29-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 56-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE  
TO PURCHASE AN ENVELOPE PRINTER FOR MAIL ROOM**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, departments across the County utilize preprinted envelopes to conduct business, and

**WHEREAS**, preprinted envelopes have historically been procured using outside vendors, often purchased in bulk to realize savings, and

**WHEREAS**, printing envelopes in-house allows for better inventory control and a reduction in costs by allowing for the printing of envelopes on an as-needed basis, resulting in reduced wait time and shipping costs, and

**WHEREAS**, the Print Shop operates with minimal staffing with one (1) supervisor and one (1) print and mail clerk, along with the mailroom staff provide valuable services at a minimal cost, and

**WHEREAS**, in the last few years the County has expanded its footprint in the community, adding two additional locations where County staff provide services, and

**WHEREAS**, changing a half-time mail room position to full-time this year will allow support in the Print Shop and support establishing mail runs to satellite offices, saving money by using presort postage rates, and

**WHEREAS**, as part of the 2024 Budget preparation process, funds were placed in targeted contingency for the purpose of purchasing an envelope printer,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the County Administrator's Office for the purchase of an envelope printer, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$22,900
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

BM016702 22000	B CM Office Equipment	\$22,900
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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 56-2024 Entitled “Modifying the 2024 Budget for the County Administrator’s Office to Purchase an Envelope Printer for Mail Room”, adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
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St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024



February 5, 2024

Finance Committee: 1-29-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 57-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE ASSIGNED COUNSEL PROGRAM**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the cost for Assigned Counsel for Indigent Defense has exceeded the 2023 budgeted appropriations, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 374-2023 modified the 2023 budget for the Assigned Counselor program in response to rate increases, with the intent of the County to access some of the proposed funding to offset the costs associated with criminal and appeals cases, and

**WHEREAS**, with eligibility standards changing, along with State-mandated rate increases, the cost of providing indigent defense continues to rise, with the State reimbursing up to fifty percent (50%) of these costs,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Budget for the Assigned Counsel Program, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

IA011704 430CC	IA AC Criminal Cases	\$150,000
IA011704 430FC	IA AC Family Court Cases	<u>50,000</u>
		\$200,000

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$200,000
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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 57-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2023 Budget for the Assigned Counsel Program", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Finance Committee: 1-29-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 58-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS  
FOR PAVING PROJECTS AND AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL  
44.35 MILES OF PAVING**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County is required to maintain 573 miles of County roads and its infrastructure for the safety of the traveling public, and the County paves approximately thirty (30) miles of road on an annual basis through a mix of federal, state, and local tax dollars, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2022, the Board of Legislators demonstrated a commitment to addressing the challenges with the County Road System when Resolution No. 243-2022 was adopted adding ten (10) miles (\$2.1M to the Budget) for paving, and again in 2023, the Board of Legislators committed \$1.2M in Resolution No. 262-2023 to add another ten (10) additional miles of paving throughout the County for a second consecutive year, and

**WHEREAS**, the reserves for County Road and County Road Machinery have been depleted over the last two years, utilized to pay for two (2) of the three (3) County Highway Outposts in Russell and in Lisbon, and

**WHEREAS**, the reserves for the General Fund have reached the intended level associated with the 2016 Fund Balance Policy and therefore the County has an opportunity for consideration of additional miles for paving for the third consecutive year, and

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 Budget includes 34.88 miles to be paved and the recommendation is to add an additional forty (44.35) miles of paving, subject to the competitive bidding process for 2024, rather than adding the miles at the end of the construction season,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for paving projects and authorizes an additional 44.35 miles of paving, as follows:

**DECREASE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

01TG0911 50300	Fund Balance, Unreserved Unappropriated	\$5,000,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

01TG0910 50300	Fund Balance, Unreserved Appropriated	\$5,000,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

T6199019 90300	T IFT GF Transfer to CR	\$5,000,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

T6350319 90100	T IFT CR Transfer from GF	\$5,000,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HM151104 454PM H1	H H1 Paving Materials	\$5,000,000
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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 58-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for Paving Projects and Authorizing an Additional 44.35 Miles of Paving", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

Services Committee: 1-29-2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 59-2024**

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR SOCIAL SERVICES  
FOR TRAINING FEES, MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND FOSTER CARE**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, due to higher than anticipated costs in local training fees, Medical Assistance and Foster Care, it is necessary to modify the 2023 Social Services Budget to cover the final expenses for 2023,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorize the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Budget for Social Services Budget as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

DMG61014 46500	D LR Repayment Due State	\$8,000
DAT60104 499TF	D Trng Local Share Training FE	6,000
DSC61194 445VD ADFC	D ADCFC Vol Driver Travel	60,000
DSC61194 46500 ADAD	D ADCFC Adoption Subsidies - I	272,500
DSC61194 465YA RTA	D RTA Youth Advocacy Program	12,500
DSC61194 465IS ADFC	D ADCFC Institutions	680,000
DSC61194 465IL	D Independent Living	14,000
DPS61404 46100	D HR Directs	8,800
DAF60104 420GE	D FS Office Supplies	1,700
		<u>\$1,063,500</u>

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

DAA60102 21000	D ADM Furniture & Fixtures	\$216,500
B1019904 49700	B Spec Contingency Account	314,043
		<u>\$530,543</u>

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

DMG36015 56000	D SA Medical Assistance	\$4,000
DMG46015 57000	D FA Medical Assistance	4,000
DSG36705 56000	D SA Services for Recipients	9,816
DA046105 57000	D FA General Administration	91,803
DSC46195 57000	D FA Child Care	263,838
DSC36195 56000 RTA	Foster Care RTA	12,500
DPS36405 56000	D SA Safety Net	2,500
DAC18115 55000	D LR Child Support Incentives	52,100
DAC27705 55000	D SCU Interest Earned	8,200
DPS27015 55000	D LR SN Prior Year Refunds	15,300
DPB18405 55000 BURY	D LR Safety Net Burials	8,900

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DAF18115 55000	D LR Top Incentives	2,100
DSC27015 55000	D LR CC Prior Year Refunds	3,500
DA036105 56000	D SA General Administration	18,000
DAF46115 57000	D FA Food Stamps Administration	13,700
DAS36105 560CW	D SA Child Welfare Funding	<u>22,700</u>
		\$532,957

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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 59-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2023 Budget for Social Services for Training Fees, Medical Assistance and Foster Care", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 60-2024

**AUTHORIZING FILLING OF VACANCIES**

By Mr. Perkins, District 7

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 369-2019 and Resolution No. 253-2020 authorized the continuance of the current vacancy review process with a recommendation that the vacancies continue to be deliberated at each jurisdictional committee, but one resolution be created for all approved positions to be considered at the Regular Board Meeting, and

**WHEREAS**, the Vacancy Review Committee reviewed seven (7) positions in five (5) departments, and of those reviewed four (4) positions were new positions, and three (3) positions will be abolished,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the fill of each of the following vacancies which have been reviewed and recommended to be filled or created and filled by the Vacancy Review Committee:

<b>Department/Unit:</b>	<b>Title:</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Duration</b>	<b>Timeline</b>
Social Services/Prevent	Case Supervisor, Grade B	816100013	FT	Contingent	Immediate
Community Services	Mental Health Svc. Coordinator*	506300001	FT	Provisional	Immediate
Community Services	Senior Fiscal Officer*	099600004	FT	Provisional	Immediate
Community Services	Senior Account Clerk*	100200046	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Real Property	Secretary I*	005100039	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Emergency Services	Deputy Director/Emergency Services Coordinator	614200002	FT	Provisional	Immediate
Public Health	Administrative Assistant	005200009	FT	Permanent	30 days

\*new position

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Position No. 102600001, Administrative Services Manager and Position No. 101200003, Fiscal Manager, be abolished in Community Services and Position No. 100100039, Account Clerk be abolished in Real Property, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** for any positions funded by grants, and the grant goes away, those positions will be abolished, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the appointing authorities are authorized to fill the positions as provided for in the resolution.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 60-2024 Entitled "Authorizing Filling of Vacancies", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 5, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 61-2024

**IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION LONE STAR AND CALLING UPON  
NEW YORK STATE GOVERNOR, KATHY HOCHUL, TO RENDER AID  
TO THE STATE OF TEXAS**

By Mr. Gennett, District 13  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Webster, District 11

**WHEREAS**, in the face of rising illegal immigration at the southern border, with more than a million illegal immigrants crossing unlawfully annually, Texas Governor Greg Abbott activated 'Operation Lone Star' in March 2021, and

**WHEREAS**, Operation Lone Star is a joint operation between the Texas Department of Public Safety and the Texas Military Department along the United States – Mexico border in Southern Texas, and

**WHEREAS**, nearly two years later, the operation remains active as an influx of migrants crossing the border cost the State of Texas approximately \$10 billion, and

**WHEREAS**, according to CBS News, 496,000 migrants have been detained for being in the United States illegally with thirty-eight thousand, five hundred of those captured facing criminal charges, and

**WHEREAS**, according to the Texas Department of Public Safety, Operation Lone Star has also seized 453 million doses of the lethal drug fentanyl, and

**WHEREAS**, as a part of the enforcement measures imposed by the State of Texas, Operation Lone Star has also bussed alleged illegal migrants to sanctuary cities with more than 100,000 people having been transported so far, and

**WHEREAS**, according to CBS News, the State of New York has received the most migrants from the State of Texas, and

**WHEREAS**, since 2022, a legal disagreement between the State of Texas and the Federal Government has been on-going, resulting in the seizure of the federal Eagle Pass installation on the Rio Grande River by State authorities, seeking to enforce the federal immigration laws after the refusal of the Biden Administration to do so, and

**WHEREAS**, both the federal government and the states act as fully sovereign actors operating within their delineated spheres of legitimate governing authority, and

**WHEREAS**, in the 2012 United States Supreme Court case of *Arizona v. United States*, the Court ruled, "As a sovereign, [a state] has the inherent power to exclude persons from its territory, subject only to those limitations expressed in the Constitution or constitutionally imposed by Congress," and

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**WHEREAS**, on January 24th, 2024, Governor Abbott released a statement in which he formally declared an "inva(sion)" under Article I, Section 10, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution, and

**WHEREAS**, the declaration of an invasion by a State permits that State to request aid and support from the other States in the absence of federal assistance, and

**WHEREAS**, within 72 hours of the declaration by the State of Texas, twenty-five (25) other States had pledged military and financial support to assist in defending the border, and

**WHEREAS**, the migrant crisis has spilled over into neighboring States and has ventured as far north as New York, leaving New York with limited options and an inability to find appropriate housing and support for the entering migrants, and

**WHEREAS**, under the United States Constitution, New York State Constitution, and New York Military Law, the Governor may deploy the New York State National Guard to render aid to a State who has declared an invasion, and

**WHEREAS**, assistance to the State of Texas by the State of New York National Guard is in the best interests of all citizens in both States,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators supports Operation Lone Star and calling upon New York State Governor, Kathy Hochul, to render aid to the State of Texas, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators calls upon New York State Governor Kathy Hochul to mobilize the New York State National guard and join the list of twenty-five (25) States in committing to support the efforts of the State of Texas in defense of the border, and protecting its citizens from a declared invasion under Article I, Section 10, Clause 3 of the United States Constitution, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul; Texas Governor Greg Abbott; U.S. Congresswoman Elise Stefanik; Senator Mark Walczyk; Senator Dan Stec; Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush; Assemblyman Scott Gray; Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton; and NYSAC.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 61-2024 Entitled "In Support of Operation Lone Star and Calling Upon New York State Governor, Kathy Hochul, to Render Aid to the State of Texas", adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024



February 5, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 62-2024

**OPPOSING A PROPOSAL IN THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET TO REMOVE THE  
SAVE HARMLESS CLAUSE, ALLOWING CUTS TO FOUNDATION AID AND  
DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECTING CERTAIN SCHOOL DISTRICTS  
IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY**

By Mr. Denesha, District 6  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Burke, District 12 and Ms. Curran, District 15

**WHEREAS**, there is a proposal in the Executive Budget to remove the save harmless clause which would allow New York State to cut foundation aid as they see fit, and

**WHEREAS**, the save harmless clause requires the State to offer at least as much foundations aid each year as it did the year prior; a formula which has been in place for years serving as a predictive model for school districts to plan their budgets, and

**WHEREAS**, under this proposal, funds would be shifted to other prioritized areas in the Executive Budget, and funds typically earmarked for the County would also be intercepted causing a property tax shift placing the burden on the taxpayers, and

**WHEREAS**, school districts that would be affected include Canton, Hammond, Madrid-Waddington, Morristown, and Ogdensburg, and

**WHEREAS**, Clifton-Fine School District has issued a statement to its residents detailing a proposed cut of twenty-four percent (24%) would be a \$940,000 foundation aid reduction, leaving taxpayers to make up the losses, and

**WHEREAS**, this proposal lacks care and concern for small rural communities and the ability for all students in the State to have the same opportunities regardless of where they live,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators opposes a proposal in the Executive Budget to remove the save harmless clause, allowing cuts to foundation aid and disproportionately affecting certain school districts in St. Lawrence County, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul; Senator Mark Walczyk; Senator Dan Stec; Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush; and Assemblyman Scott Gray.

February 5, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE        )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 62-2024 Entitled “Opposing a Proposal in the Executive Budget to Remove the Save Harmless Clause, Allowing Cuts to Foundation Aid and Disproportionately Affecting Certain School Districts in St. Lawrence County”, adopted February 5, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 6, 2024

February 12, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 63-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO ACT “OF COUNSEL” TO LEGAL COUNSEL REPRESENTING THE PLAINTIFFS IN HIGBIE ET. AL V. JAMES ET. AL SEEKING A JUDICIAL DECLARATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL CONCEALED CARRY RECIPROCITY IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK**

By Mr. Forsythe, District 2 and Mr. Perkins, District 7

**WHEREAS**, on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022, the United States Supreme Court issued its decision in the New York State Rifle and Pistol Association et. al v. *Bruen et. al*, striking down the New York State ‘proper cause’ requirements for the issuance of a pistol license, and

**WHEREAS**, building on *District of Columbia v. Heller* and the decision in *McDonald v. City of Chicago, Illinois*, the United States Supreme Court ruled in *Bruen* that the Second Amendment’s protection of “the right to keep and bear arms” extends to individual self-defense outside the home, and

**WHEREAS**, in response to the *Bruen* decision, the New York State Legislature and Governor Kathy Hochul concluded a two-day extraordinary session on July 1, 2022 that led to Governor Hochul signing the “Concealed Carry Improvement Act” so titled by its proponents, and

**WHEREAS**, the Concealed Carry Improvement Act moved to circumvent the decision to deprive its citizens of any effective right to self-defense in public in one major way, by exponentially expanding the places [“Sensitive places”] in which a person with a valid license cannot carry a firearm for self-defense, and

**WHEREAS**, the Concealed Carry Improvement Act includes alarming provisions that flout the *Bruen* precedent by requiring concealed carry permit applicants to: display good moral character; subject their social media accounts for review; submit to in-person interviews with law enforcement; provide four character references; undergo 18 hours of combined training, an increase from the existing four-hour requirement; and recertify every three years instead of the prior recertification period of every five years, and

**WHEREAS**, immediately following the passage of the Conceal Carry Improvement Act, multiple lawsuits were filed challenging the legislation: one of the more prominent of these suits was *Antonyuk and Gun Owners of America et. al v. Bruen et. al* in the Northern District of New York U.S. District Court, and

**WHEREAS**, on September 12, 2022, the Board of Legislators passed Resolution No. 306-2022 authorizing the County Attorney to explore legal options for challenging the Conceal Carry Improvement Act, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to that direction, the County Attorney was authorized subsequently to act as “of counsel” to legal counsel for the Gun Owners of America, Stephen Stamboulieh, providing material support and guidance as to the state of New York State law and practice pertaining to gun licensure and legal procedure, and

February 12, 2024

**WHEREAS**, “Of Counsel” is defined as “a lawyer who is not a partner, associate, shareholder, or member of a firm, but who has some sort of a close and continuing relationship with the firm with the common view of the relationship as someone who is providing close, ongoing, regular and frequent contact for the purpose of consultation and advice, acting as a trusted advisor or senior counselor,” and

**WHEREAS**, on October 6, 2022, Judge Glenn T. Suddaby of the Northern District of New York issued a decision partially granting a request for a temporary restraining order of the revised gun law of New York, and

**WHEREAS**, immediately following the decision of Judge Suddaby, the State of New York appealed to the Second Circuit Court of Appeals who, on December 8, 2023, issued its long awaited decision, affirming in part and reversing in part the decision of the Northern District of New York preliminarily enjoining major parts of the Concealed Carry Improvement Act of New York, which was enacted to counter the Supreme Court's decision in *N.Y. State Rifle & Pistol Ass'n v. Bruen*, and

**WHEREAS**, it remains to be seen if the defendants will appeal the Second Circuit’s Antonyuk decision to the Supreme Court, which is already hearing several Second Amendment cases this term, including one that also involves the First Amendment, or permit the decision to remand back to Judge Suddaby for a hearing to stand but there remain several other areas of New York State gun law that appears to be onerous under the 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment, and

**WHEREAS**, on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024, members of the Gun Owners of America commenced a new suit against the State of New York in the Northern District of New York U.S. District Court, identified as *Higbie et. al v. James et. al* challenging the refusal of New York State to recognize out-of-state gun licenses or permit out of state residents to secure licensure within New York State unless they were land owners in the State, and

**WHEREAS**, this type of legal challenge has become commonly known as a “Constitutional Concealed Carry Reciprocity” challenge, and

**WHEREAS**, Constitutional Carry has become a mainstream movement and the term means laws of a state concerning the carry of weapons approximates the state of the law when the Second Amendment was ratified in 1791, and

**WHEREAS**, seventeen (17) states have restored a reasonable facsimile of Constitutional Carry, such as neighboring Vermont (who has always observed some form of Constitutional Carry), and

**WHEREAS**, the St. Lawrence County Attorney has once again been given the opportunity to serve as “Of Counsel” to the legal counsel for Gun Owners of America, and

**WHEREAS**, the implications for St. Lawrence County pistol licensed residents as well as for the operations of the St. Lawrence County Sheriff, St. Lawrence County Clerk, and St. Lawrence County Court, will be significant should the plaintiffs prevail in this matter, making this a matter of County concern,

February 12, 2024

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators authorizes the County Attorney to act “Of Counsel” to legal counsel representing the plaintiffs in Higbie et. al V. James et. al seeking a judicial declaration of constitutional concealed carry reciprocity in the State of New York, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that should the County Attorney determine that additional legal partners would enhance or strengthen the arguments that could be put forth, the County Attorney is authorized to secure support and commitments from those parties to assist in this endeavor.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 63-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the County Attorney to Act “Of Counsel” to Legal Counsel Representing the Plaintiffs in Higbie Et. Al V. James Et. Al Seeking a Judicial Declaration of Constitutional Concealed Carry Reciprocity in the State of New York”, adopted February 12, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 13, 2024

February 12, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 64-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH LABELLA ASSOCIATES FOR A FAMILY COURT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, OPENING A CAPITAL PROJECT, AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE**

By Ms. Terminelli, District 14

**WHEREAS**, on December 22, 2023, Governor Hochul signed Legislation that would provide additional Judges across the State of New York and included is one (1) additional Family Court Judge for St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, the request to add another judge was made after consideration by a Board appointed Ad Hoc Committee that reviewed data and the challenges presented to the County when proceedings are delayed, in part, due to volume of cases, and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee determined that in order to meet the needs of the public, now and in the future, efficiencies can be achieved through the creation of a second Family Court, and

**WHEREAS**, the creation of a second Family Court requires a capital project be opened to accurately track the cost of modifications in the County Court House and the space identified most appropriate for this addition is adjacent to the existing Family Court Suite, and

**WHEREAS**, additional appropriations will be necessary, upon completion of the sketch and design plans, for the competitive bid phase of the Project and additional resolutions will be brought forward for consideration by the Board of Legislators,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with LaBella Associates for architectural services for the Family Court Improvement Project, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget to open a Capital Project in the County Administrator's Office and provide initial funding, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$50,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

T6199509 90600	T IFT GF Transfer to CP	\$50,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

BG619974 43007 FMCT	Family Court Improvements	\$50,000
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February 12, 2024

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

T6650319 90100

T IFT CP Transfers from GF

\$50,000

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 64-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Labella Associates for a Family Court Improvement Project, Opening a Capital Project, and Modifying the 2024 Budget for the County Administrator's Office", adopted February 12, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 13, 2024

February 12, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 65-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR SOCIAL SERVICES FOR FLOORING  
AND CUBICLES IN THE HAROLD B. SMITH BUILDING**

By Mr. Denesha, District 6

**WHEREAS**, the Harold B. Smith Building opened in 1973 and is in need of updates to the office areas, and

**WHEREAS**, the first phase of the project which was approved by Resolution No. 269-2023 and is currently underway, and

**WHEREAS**, the next phase of the project is replacing carpets and installing cubicles in the remaining offices of the Harold B. Smith Building and was approved by Resolution No. 343-2023, and

**WHEREAS**, adjustments in cubicle layout needed to be made since the renovations were initially approved, and

**WHEREAS**, funds not used in 2023 were re-appropriated for Resolution No. 343-2023 to offset other areas of the Social Services Budget, and following adjustments to the plan appropriations are requested to finish Phase 1 and complete Phase 2,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for Social Services for flooring and cubicles in the Harold B. Smith Building, as follows:

**DECREASE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

01TG0911 50300	Fund Balance, Unreserved Unappropriated	\$156,890
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

01TG0910 50300	Fund Balance, Unreserved Appropriated	\$156,890
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

DAA60102 21000	D Admin Furniture	\$301,700
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

DA036105 56000	D SA General Admin	\$28,651
DA046105 57000	D FA General Admin	72,021
DAS36105 560CW	D SA Child Welfare	8,119
DAF46115 57000	D FA Food Stamp Admin	<u>36,019</u>
		\$144,810



February 12, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 65-2024 Entitled “Modifying the 2024 Budget for Social Services for Flooring and Cubicles in the Harold B. Smith Building”, adopted February 12, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
February 13, 2024

March 4, 2024

Operations Committee: 2-12-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 66-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR THE FY20  
STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS GRANT (FY20 SICG) WITH  
NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND  
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 346-2021 approved the contract for the FY20 Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant (FY20 SICG) in the amount of \$806,143 for the Office of Emergency Services to concentrate on improving interoperability and operability of communication systems in New York State with a contract period of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022, and

**WHEREAS**, an application has been submitted to the Adirondack Park Agency to allow the installation of a tower with site amenities, and an extension of this grant will be required, and

**WHEREAS**, it is anticipated that New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services will authorize a two-year extension with a new contract end date of December 31, 2024,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract extension for the FY20 Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant (FY20 SICG) with New York State Office of Homeland Security and Office of Emergency Services, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any remaining funds will be rolled over to future budget years until the grant is fully expended.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 66-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract Extension for the FY20 Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant (FY20 SICG) with New York State Office of Homeland Security and Office of Emergency Services", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Operations Committee: 2-12-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 67-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A REVISED CONTRACT WITH  
VOLUNTEER TRANSPORTATION CENTER, INC. TO PROVIDE  
A CALL CENTER FOR FIRST MILE, LAST MILE SERVICES**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County has a continuing multi-year agreement with the New York State Department of Transportation (DOT) to provide rural transportation services and receive reimbursement of Federal and State shares, and

**WHEREAS**, one of the rural transportation services of the County is First Mile, Last Mile, a volunteer driver based program that connects Public Transit passengers to the County bus system, and

**WHEREAS**, First Mile, Last Mile is fully funded by the DOT with a local match that is satisfied by the vendor, and no County funds are used to provide this service, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators passed Resolution No. 9-2022 authorizing the Chair to sign a contract with Volunteer Transportation Center, Inc. to run the First Mile, Last Mile Program, and

**WHEREAS**, this added responsibility requires a revision to the existing contract for service,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a revised contract with Volunteer Transportation Center, Inc., to provide a Call Center for First Mile, Last Mile Services, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** Volunteer Transportation Center, Inc. possesses the capacity and is willing to operate a call center to handle requests from the public to schedule and coordinate First Mile, Last Mile trips, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the contract for service may be extended annually for a term not to exceed December 31, 2026.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 67-2024 Entitled “ Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Revised Contract with Volunteer Transportation Center, Inc. to Provide a Call Center for First Mile, Last Mile Services”, adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Operations Committee: 2-12-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 68-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A SUB-RECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH THE  
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE NORTH COUNTRY FOR DELIVERY OF  
THE COUNTYWIDE HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM, ROUND #5**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Office of Community Renewal (OCR) awarded \$615,000 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds (NYS CDBG Project #1106HR306-23) (N1080204 460GP NH55) to establish and administer the Countywide Housing Rehabilitation Program, Round #5 (CHRP 5), and

**WHEREAS**, out of the total award of \$615,000 there will be \$505,200 utilized to provide low to moderate income households with housing rehabilitation assistance; \$79,050 will be used for program delivery purposes; \$30,750 will be used for administrative purposes with the County retaining \$5,000 for its role in grant administration, and

**WHEREAS**, these funds will be used to provide housing rehabilitation assistance and lead hazard control work to approximately twelve (12) eligible, income-qualified households in communities across the County, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2021 the County conducted a Request for Statements of Interest (RSOI) in order to select a sub-recipient for future Community Development Programs, and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of this RSOI process the County selected the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC) as its sub-recipient for this community development program,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a Sub-recipient Agreement with the Development Authority of the North Country for the delivery of the Countywide Housing Rehabilitation Program, Round #5, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 68-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Sub-Recipient Agreement with the Development Authority of the North Country for Delivery of the Countywide Housing Rehabilitation Program, Round #5", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Operations Committee: 2-12-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 69-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING  
PROGRAM AGREEMENT AND ANNUAL CERTIFICATION REPORT  
FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the United States Department of Justice requires that the St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office file an annual Federal Equitable Sharing Program Agreement and Annual Certification Report to be eligible to submit requests for federally forfeited property or proceeds, and

**WHEREAS**, the Agreement is entered into by the United States Department of Justice, the County of St. Lawrence and the St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a Federal Equitable Sharing Program Agreement and Annual Certification Report for the Sheriff's Office.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 69-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Federal Equitable Sharing Program Agreement and Annual Certification Report for the Sheriff's Office", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Operations Committee: 2-12-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 70-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE WITH REGARD TO  
INTEREST EARNED ON THE HOWARD G. BUFFETT FOUNDATION GRANT**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 280-2022 approved the acceptance of the Howard G. Buffett Foundation (HGBF) Grant for the Sheriff's Office and grant accounts were created, and

**WHEREAS**, this funding source requires interest earned on the grant funds to be applied to the HGBF Program, and

**WHEREAS**, interest earned for 2022 was \$1,036.94 and interest earned for 2023 was \$6,216.68,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office with regard to interest earned on the Howard G. Buffett Foundation Grant, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S1Z31104 43007 HGBF	S HGBF Other Fees & Services	\$7,253.62
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

S1Z24015 55000 HGBF	S HGBF Interest & Earnings	\$7,253.62
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 70-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office with Regard to Interest Earned on the Howard G. Buffett Foundation Grant", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Operations Committee: 2-12-2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 71-2024**

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
FOR THE FY22 OPERATION STONEGARDEN PROGRAM GRANT  
FROM NYS DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 400-2022 approved the Sheriff's Office to accept a FY22 Operation Stonegarden Grant from New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services in the amount of \$300,000 with a contract period of period of September 1, 2022 to August 31, 2025, and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to do a budget modification to move funds from a contractual account to an equipment account since the Sheriff's Office will now be the partnering agency to purchase the license plate reader equipment awarded under this grant,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office for the FY22 Operations Stonegarden Program Grant from NYS Division of Homeland Security, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S1Z31104 43007 SG2	S CRIM Other Fees And Services	\$27,270
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S1Z31102 25000 SG2	S CRIM Technical Equipment	\$27,270
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any remaining funds will be rolled over to future budgets until the grant is fully expended.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 71-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office for the FY22 Operation Stonegarden Program Grant From NYS Division of Homeland Security", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Operations Committee: 2-12-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 72-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO ACCEPT A  
FY24 POLICE TRAFFIC SERVICES (PTS) GRANT FROM THE STATE OF NEW  
YORK GOVERNOR'S TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Office has been awarded a Police Traffic Services (PTS) Grant in the amount of \$5,160 through the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee, and

**WHEREAS**, this 2024 PTS Grant provides funding to cover overtime costs related to planned events intended to increase seat belt usage in efforts to reduce dangerous driving behaviors,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office to accept a FY24 Police Traffic Services (PTS) Grant from the State of New York Governor's Traffic Safety Committee, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S1Z31101 18000 GTSC	S CRIM PTS Grant Overtime	\$5,160
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

S1Z33895 56000 GTSC	S SA CRIM State Aid	\$5,160
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any remaining funds will be rolled over to future budgets until the grant is fully expended.

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE        )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 72-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office to Accept a FY24 Police Traffic Services (PTS) Grant from the State of New York Governor's Traffic Safety Committee", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024



March 4, 2024

Operations Committee: 2-12-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 73-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH  
NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND COMMUNITY  
SUPERVISION OFFICE OF NUTRITIONAL SERVICES (DOCCS-NS) TO PROVIDE  
FOOD PRODUCTS TO THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the contract between the St. Lawrence County Correctional Facility and NYS DOCCS-NS has expired and a new contract is needed in order to provide meals of a specific nature for incarcerated individuals, and

**WHEREAS**, the contract will be for five (5) years with the terms being January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2028 (S4031504 45200),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision Office of Nutritional Services (DOCCS-NS) to provide food products to the St. Lawrence County Correctional Facility, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 73-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with New York State Department of Corrections and Community Supervision Office of Nutritional Services (DOCCS-NS) to Provide Food Products to the St. Lawrence County Correctional Facility", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Operations Committee: 2-12-2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 74-2024**

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR  
A PATROL VEHICLE FOR THE CRIMINAL DIVISION**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Criminal Division has determined the necessity to purchase a new patrol vehicle to replace a patrol vehicle that was totaled as a result of criminal activity, and

**WHEREAS**, funds were budgeted in the 2024 Sheriff's Office Budget for two vehicles, and this request is to fund one (1) additional vehicle, returning the number of marked patrol fleet to twelve (12), and

**WHEREAS**, this patrol vehicle will replace a decommissioned vehicle and will maintain the Sheriff's fleet will also promoting efficiency and providing safety to the officer and the public,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Sheriff's Office to purchase a new patrol vehicle and authorize the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Sheriff's Office Budget, as follows:

**DECREASE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

01TG0911 50300	Unreserved Fund Balance Un-Appropriated	\$44,108
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

01TG0910 50300	Unreserved Fund Balance Appropriated	\$44,108
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S1031102 23000	S CRIM Automotive Equipment	\$44,108
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 74-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office for a Patrol Vehicle for the Criminal Division", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Services Committee: 2-12-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 75-2024

**PROCLAIMING MARCH 1, 2024 AS “FIVE HOUR FREE  
(FROM SOCIAL MEDIA) FRIDAY” IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, according to The Journal of American Medical Association Pediatrics, teens spend more than eight hours on their phones each day, and

**WHEREAS**, excessive social media use has been linked to depression, anxiety, attention deficit, and sleep deprivation, and

**WHEREAS**, published in The US Surgeon General’s Advisory on Social Media and Youth Mental Health (2023) nearly half (46%) of adolescents (13–17) said social media makes them feel worse about themselves and 64% of adolescents are “often” or “sometimes” exposed to hate-based content, and

**WHEREAS**, in Governor Hochul’s State of the State Address on January 9, 2024, there was a call to action supporting social media addiction awareness and teen to teen programs promoting connectedness away from cell phones, and

**WHEREAS**, all St. Lawrence County residents are encouraged to take time away from their social media platforms in support of a social media detox in support of the message that the overuse of social media can cause emotional and physical stress, and

**WHEREAS**, the Teen Ambassadors of the St. Lawrence County Youth Committee, with support from Youth as Solutions with the National Youth Leadership Council, launches “Five Hour Free (from social media) Friday” on March 1<sup>st</sup> from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators proclaims March 1, 2024 as “Five Hour Free (from social media) Friday” in St. Lawrence County.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 75-2024 Entitled “Proclaiming March 1, 2024 as “Five Hour Free (From Social Media) Friday” in St. Lawrence County”, adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Services Committee: 2-12-2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 76-2024**

**ACCEPTING PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FUNDS  
AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department has received a Performance Incentive Achievement Award from the New York State Department of Health in the amount of \$21,599, and

**WHEREAS**, the 2023 achievement award focused on promoting wastewater surveillance, and

**WHEREAS**, this achievement award must be used to support costs associated with Article 6 eligible services, and while costs associated with any eligible activity are acceptable, LHDs are encouraged to consider utilizing the award funds to support environmental health related work,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the acceptance of performance incentive achievement award funds, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget for Public Health, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

PP040104 43007	P PREV Other Fees and Services	\$21,599
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

PP034015 56000	P SA Public Health and Clinic	\$21,599
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 76-2024 Entitled "Accepting Performance Incentive Achievement Award Funds and Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Public Health Department", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Services Committee: 2-12-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 77-2024

**REAPPOINTING THE MEDICAL CONSULTANT AND NURSE PRACTITIONER  
FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department has an Article 28 Licensed Clinic which provides various immunizations for all ages and medications for treatment of communicable diseases, and

**WHEREAS**, under the Article 28 Clinic, there is a Medical Consultant and a Nurse Practitioner on staff hired by the County and these positions go through the required hiring process and background checks, and

**WHEREAS**, Article 28 Clinics are audited by the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) every five (5) years, and

**WHEREAS**, it was noted in the 2022 NYSDOH audit that the clinic was deficient in the area of the reappointing process which requires the Medical Consultant and Nurse Practitioner be reappointed every (2) two years, as required by the NYSDOH, and

**WHEREAS**, the current Medical Consultant and Nurse Practitioner are in compliance with all required documentation,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the reappointment of the Medical Consultant, Zachary Mashaw MD, and Nurse Practitioner, Wendy Wais NP, for the Public Health Department for a term of March 4, 2024 through March 3, 2026.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 77-2024 Entitled "Reappointing the Medical Consultant and Nurse Practitioner for the Public Health Department", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Services Committee: 2-12-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 78-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH SEAWAY VALLEY  
PREVENTION COUNCIL FOR THE COMPREHENSIVE OPIOID, STIMULANT,  
AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM (COSSAP II) PROGRAM FUNDS  
FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, On September 30, 2022, the County received notice from the Office of Justice Programs that the application submitted by St. Lawrence County was successful and will receive funding opportunity entitled Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP II) (A1542204 46500), and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 378-2022 authorized the acceptance of the Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program Grant II, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County has recognized the need for increased access of individuals with an Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) to recovery services, and

**WHEREAS**, Seaway Prevention Council is a sub-award recipient of the COSSAP II Award (15PBJA-22-GG-04477-COAP), and

**WHEREAS**, Seaway Valley Prevention Council embeds two Certified Recovery Peer Advocates (CRPA) into Addiction Services to provide individuals with one-on-one recovery coaching aimed in helping patients define and direct their own treatment/recovery plan, and

**WHEREAS**, additionally, the CRPA collaborate with the interdisciplinary treatment team to ensure that individuals are connected with services including, but not limited to housing, transportation, vocational services, harm reduction resources, other benefits, & treatment, and

**WHEREAS**, the terms of the contract will be October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2025,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Seaway Valley Prevention Council for Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP II) funds for Community Services, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 78-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Seaway Valley Prevention Council for the Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP II) Program Funds for Community Services", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

*Kelly S. Bigwarfe*  
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Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Services Committee: 2-12-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 79-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE  
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND ADOPTION STAR, INC.**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Social Services recruits adoptive families for children in foster care and works collaboratively to facilitate the appropriate matching and placement of identified children in permanent homes, and

**WHEREAS**, Adoption STAR, Inc. is an agency that assists with recruiting adoptive families for youth that are hard to place due to complex needs, and

**WHEREAS**, support from Adoption STAR, Inc. will be used to carry out an evidence-based, child-focused recruitment program to assist the recruitment efforts of the Department of Social Services, and

**WHEREAS**, agencies that are capable of providing this type of service are in short supply in St. Lawrence County, and it is the recommendation of the Commissioner of the Department of Social Services that the County should avail itself of the opportunity to contract with resource agencies capable of providing the above listed services when the opportunity arises, and

**WHEREAS**, an agreement that outlines the mutual responsibilities between St. Lawrence County and Adoption STAR, Inc. for recruiting adoptive families for children in foster care is necessary to access the available additional support from Adoption STAR, Inc. (DAS60104 430HF, DSC61194 46500),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an agreement between the Department of Social Services and Adoption STAR, Inc., upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 79-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement Between the Department of Social Services and Adoption Star, Inc.", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 80-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH BARTON &  
LOGUIDICE, D.P.C. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES TO REPLACE TOWN LINE  
ROAD BRIDGE OVER LISBON CREEK, BIN 3366670**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators approved and funded Capital Bridge Projects, and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Highways has solicited qualifications for engineering services for the replacement of Town Line Road Bridge over Lisbon Creek, and

**WHEREAS**, the best qualified consultant for this project has been determined,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators does hereby approve the following contract to:

Consultant: Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C.  
Contract Title: Town Line Road Bridge over Lisbon Creek  
Town of Oswegatchie

Engineering Fee: Not to Exceed \$7,000  
HM551124 430ED B6

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. for engineering services to replace Town Line Road Bridge over Lisbon Creek, BIN 3366670, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE        )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 80-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. for Engineering Services to Replace Town Line Road Bridge over Lisbon Creek, BIN 3366670", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
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Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 81-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN ROADSIDE MOWING CONTRACTS**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 Budget provided for the approval and funding of the 2024 contracts for roadside mowing, and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Highways will contract with six (6) towns for roadside mowing on 89.7 miles of County Roads (HM351104 430RM),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign Roadside Mowing Contracts, upon approval of the County Attorney, as follows:

Towns:	Clifton
	Fine
	Hopkinton
	Louisville
	Piercefield
	Stockholm

Contract Title:	Roadside Mowing
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Contract Amount:	\$320.00/mile
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STATE OF NEW YORK	)
	) ss:
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE	)

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 81-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign Roadside Mowing Contracts", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

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Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 82-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT TO ENTER INTO A  
COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH FRANKLIN COUNTY HIGHWAY  
DEPARTMENT FOR ROAD SALT**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Highways has advised the Franklin County Highway Superintendent that Franklin County will be able to purchase road salt through the 2024-2025 St. Lawrence County salt bid (HS051444 454WM and HC051424 454WM), and

**WHEREAS**, including road salt estimates for Franklin County in the bidding process will likely lower the cost per ton for both counties, and

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Highways began this agreement between the two counties in 2014, which has resulted in ten (10) years of savings for each county,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Highway Department to enter into a cooperative agreement with Franklin County Highway Department for road salt, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 82-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Highway Department to Enter into a Cooperative Agreement with Franklin County Highway Department for Road Salt", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

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Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 83-2024

**MODIFYING THE PY23 WIOA BUDGET TO TRANSFER FORMULA FUNDS  
FROM DISLOCATED WORKER AND ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNTS  
TO ADULT ACCOUNTS**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Notice of Authorization PY23-3 was issued with the remaining allocation of funding for Program Year 2023 WIOA Title IB Adult and Dislocated Worker Programs, and

**WHEREAS**, ten percent (10%) of each of the three WIOA Programs (Adult, Youth, and Dislocated) is designated as Administration, and

**WHEREAS**, WIOA Technical Advisory #17-6 states that Local Workforce Development Boards may transfer up to one-hundred percent (100%) of Administration back to the originating program funds in all three (3) programs, but cannot exceed the original ten-percent (10%) designated as Administration, and

**WHEREAS**, WIOA Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Section 683.130, grants Local Workforce Development Boards (WDBs) the authority to transfer one-hundred percent (100%) of a program year allocations between the Adult and Dislocated Worker Programs, and

**WHEREAS**, a transfer of funds would provide more flexibility and ensure that WIOA is able to provide services to as many eligible participants as possible, and

**WHEREAS**, the LWDB authorized, with resolution number 24-A16-01, the transfer of funds from Administration to Adult, as well as the transfer of funds from Dislocated Worker to Adult,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the PY23 WIOA Budget to transfer formula funds from Dislocated Worker and Administration Accounts to Adult Accounts, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

UA362924 461TU TRAN	Adult Training Tuition Fees	\$180,000
UA362924 461TU	Adult Training Tuition Fees	<u>34,000</u>
		\$214,000

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

UE362911 11000	Direct Service Worker	\$18,000
UE362911 12000	Supervisory/Admin	7,000
UE362911 14000	Clerical	11,000
UE362911 19501	Longevity	150
UE362911 19502	Vacation Pay Out	2,500
UE362911 19550	Health Ins Buyout	700

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UE362914 40700	Rent	3,600
UE362914 41100	Professional Education	300
UE362914 430WI	WIB Expenses	6,000
UE362914 47800	DP Charges	5,100
UE362918 81000	Retirement	4,000
UE362918 83000	Social Security	3,000
UE362918 84000	Worker's Compensation	900
UE362918 84500	Group Life Insurance	50
UE362918 86000	Health & Medical Insurance	9,600
UE362918 86500	Dental Insurance	450
UE362918 89000	Eye Coverage	150
UE362924 461OJ	OJT Employer Reimbursement	28,500
UE362924 461TU	Tuition/Books/Fees	79,000
UG362901 12000	ADM Supervisory/Administrative	9,574
UG362901 14000	ADM Clerical	5,065
UG362901 19501	Longevity	815
UG362904 40700	Rent	200
UG362904 41100	Professional Education	300
UG362904 41400	Liability & Other Insurance	82
UG362904 41901	Central Printing	152
UG362904 42000	Office Supplies & Expense	350
UG362904 42300	Telephone	100
UG362904 42400	Postage	50
UG362904 42600	Adm Books & Periodicals	76
UG362904 42700	Membership Dues	180
UG362904 43005	Adm Ad Fees	200
UG362904 44300	Adm Mileage Reimbursement	152
UG362904 44500	Adm Other Travel Reimbursement	152
UG362904 47800	DP Charges	3,400
UG362904 49900	Adm Miscellaneous Expense	152
UG362908 81000	Retirement	1,200
UG362908 83000	Social Security	1,000
UG362908 84000	Workers' Compensation	100
UG362908 86000	Hospital & Medical Insurance	10,500
UG362908 86500	Dental Insurance	200
		<u>\$214,000</u>

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

UA347905 57000 TRAN	U FA Adult Training	\$180,000
UA347905 57000	U FA Adult Training	<u>34,000</u>
		\$214,000

**DECREASE REVENUE:**

UE347905 57000	Dislocated Worker Revenue	\$180,000
UG347905 57000	Administrative Pool Revenue	<u>34,000</u>
		\$214,000

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any remaining funds will be rolled over to future budgets until the grant is fully expended.

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STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 83-2024 Entitled “Modifying the PY23 WIOA Budget to Transfer Formula Funds from Dislocated Worker and Administration Accounts to Adult Accounts”, adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 84-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH  
ATLANTIC TESTING LABORATORIES TO COMPLETE ENVIRONMENTAL  
INVESTIGATION AND TANK/DRUM REMOVAL ON PROPERTY OWNED  
BY THE REDDICK REVOCABLE TRUST**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the County has commenced an In Rem real property tax foreclosure proceeding for delinquent taxes pursuant to Article 11 of the Real Property Tax Law against properties owned by The Reddick Revocable Trust located at 45 Murdock St, Town of Gouverneur, County of St. Lawrence, State of New York with Tax Map No. 173.039-1-9 and 51 Owl Rd, County of St. Lawrence, State of New York with Tax Map No. 173.001-4-8 (hereinafter referred to as the "Properties"), and

**WHEREAS**, there are currently delinquent real property taxes due and owing in the amount of \$22,487.99, together with fees, penalties and interest in the amount of \$14,299.77 for a total of \$36,787.76 on the parcel owned by The Reddick Revocable Trust with Tax Map No. 173.039-1-9 and there are currently delinquent real property taxes due and owing in the amount of \$12,430.26 together with fees, penalties and interest in the amount of \$ 9,155.31 for a total of \$21,585.57 on the parcel owned by The Reddick Revocable Trust with Tax Map No. 173.001-4-8, and

**WHEREAS**, the Properties are each known to have had historic storage and/or sale of gasoline and other petroleum products and are believed to be potentially contaminated with petroleum, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators previously authorized the execution of a contract with Odin Environmental to perform an initial investigation on the Properties, but it has been determined that further work is required to investigate and address drums other storage containers located on the property which contain unknown, possibly hazardous, substances, and

**WHEREAS**, the County wants to retain Atlantic Testing Laboratories ("ATL") to perform an assessment and inventory of waste drums that are located at the properties, which would include an inventory of drums and other storage containers with liquid or sludge wastes at the Properties, assessment of container conditions and approximate volume of contents, and visual assessment of contents, and

**WHEREAS**, subsequent to the inventory and assessment, ATL will provide recommendations for characterization sampling and analysis, along with an associated cost estimate for sampling and analysis and, additionally, a preliminary estimated cost for disposal of the identified materials, and

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**WHEREAS**, ATL has submitted a proposal whereby they will perform the above-described assessment, with the expectation that they will also provide a quote, any additional sampling and analysis, and for removal of the items after the test results are received, and

**WHEREAS**, the County Attorney and Consultant, Gary Bowitch, Esq., have reviewed the proposal and recommend awarding the contract to Atlantic Testing Laboratories,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract, and any further documents necessary, with Atlantic Testing Laboratories to Complete Environmental Investigation and Tank/Drum Removal on Property Owned by the Reddick Revocable Trust, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 84-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Atlantic Testing Laboratories to Complete Environmental Investigation and Tank/Drum Removal on Property Owned by the Reddick Revocable Trust", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 85-2024

**SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR PROPOSED LOCAL LAW B (NO. \_) FOR THE YEAR 2024 “RESCINDING ALL PREVIOUS ETHICS LAWS AND AMENDMENTS AND ADOPTING THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ETHICS LAW”**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Article 18 of the General Municipal Law prohibits the officers and employees of a municipality from having certain conflicts of interest, and

**WHEREAS**, Section 806 of the General Municipal Law requires the governing body of each county, city (other than the City of New York), town, village, school district and fire district to adopt a code of ethics that sets forth for the guidance of its officers and employees standards of conduct reasonably expected of them, and

**WHEREAS**, Section 806 of the General Municipal Law also authorizes the governing body of any other municipality to adopt such a code of ethics, and

**WHEREAS**, a code of ethics adopted by the governing body of a municipality must set forth standards of conduct for the guidance of the officers and employees of the municipality with respect to disclosure of interests in legislation before the local governing body, holding of investments in conflict with official duties, private employment in conflict with official duties, future employment, and such other standards as may be deemed advisable, and

**WHEREAS**, from time to time, changes and developments in the law necessitate a review of the ethics provisions governing County employees, and

**WHEREAS**, this proposed local law seeks to clarify previously enacted ethics provisions governing the conduct of county employees, appointees and elected officials, and

**WHEREAS**, this proposed local law would seek to replace the prior local law as adopted in 2009 and amended in 2015 and, in its place, institute a new local law in conformance with the recommendations of the State of New York, and

**WHEREAS**, the law requires that said Local Law adoption be preceded by a public hearing,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes a Public Hearing on proposed Local Law B (No.\_) for the Year 2024, to be held at 5:45 p.m. on Monday, April 1, 2024, in the Legislative Board Room, subject to approval of the Rules of Procedure for 2024.



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**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW B (NO. \_) FOR THE YEAR 2024, “RESCINDING ALL  
PREVIOUS ETHICS LAWS AND AMENDMENTS AND ADOPTING  
THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ETHICS LAW”**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Legislators of St. Lawrence County as follows:

Section 1: The adoption of this local law is intended to replace any and all laws and amendments previously adopted by the Board of Legislators relating to the Code of Ethics in St. Lawrence County.

Section 2: This local law shall take effect upon filing in the Office of the Secretary of State.

Section 3: The Board of Legislators adopts the following Ethics law:

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY CODE OF ETHICS**

- ARTICLE 1. PURPOSE
- ARTICLE 2. DEFINITIONS
- ARTICLE 3. APPLICABILITY
- ARTICLE 4. PROHIBITION ON USE OF MUNICIPAL POSITION FOR PERSONAL OR PRIVATE GAIN
- ARTICLE 5. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST IN LEGISLATION AND OTHER MATTERS
- ARTICLE 6. RECUSAL AND ABSTENTION
- ARTICLE 7. PROHIBITION INAPPLICABLE; DISCLOSURE, RECUSAL AND ABSTENTION NOT REQUIRED
- ARTICLE 8. INVESTMENTS IN CONFLICT WITH OFFICIAL DUTIES
- ARTICLE 9. PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT IN CONFLICT WITH OFFICIAL DUTIES
- ARTICLE 10. FUTURE EMPLOYMENT
- ARTICLE 11. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIONS AND CLAIMS PERMITTED
- ARTICLE 12. USE OF MUNICIPAL RESOURCES
- ARTICLE 13. INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS
- ARTICLE 14. NEPOTISM
- ARTICLE 15. POLITICAL SOLICITATIONS
- ARTICLE 16. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION
- ARTICLE 17. GIFTS
- ARTICLE 18. BOARD OF ETHICS
- ARTICLE 19. ADVISORY OPINIONS
- ARTICLE 20. POSTING AND DISTRIBUTION
- ARTICLE 21. ENFORCEMENT
- ARTICLE 22. ANNUAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
- ARTICLE 23. DESIGNATION OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES REQUIRED TO FILE ANNUAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS
- ARTICLE 24. MAINTENANCE AND USE OF FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS
- ARTICLE 25. EFFECTIVE DATE

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ARTICLE 1.            PURPOSE

Officers and employees of St. Lawrence County hold their positions to serve and benefit the public, not for obtaining unwarranted personal or private gain in the exercise and performance of their official powers and duties. In recognition of this fundamental principle, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators recognizes there is a need for clear and reasonable standards of ethical conduct. This code of ethics establishes those standards.

ARTICLE 2.            DEFINITIONS

- (a) “Agency” means any of the divisions of County government, except the Legislature.
- (b) “Appointed Official” means any individual who is appointed by the Chair of the Board of Legislators or the County Legislature to any agency, institution, department, office, branch, division, council, commission, board or bureau, whether paid or unpaid.
- (c) “Appropriate Body” pursuant to Article 18 of General Municipal Law, means the Board of Ethics of the County of St. Lawrence.
- (d) “Board” means the governing board of a municipality and any municipal administrative board (e.g. planning board, zoning or board of appeals), commission, or other agency or body comprised of two or more municipal officers or employees, excluding advisory bodies with no policy-making function.
- (e) “Child” means any son, daughter, step-son or step-daughter, natural or adopted of a County Officer, employee or appointed official if such child is under 18 or is a dependent of the officer, employee or appointed official as defined in Internal Revenue Code Section 152(a)(1) and (2), and any amendments thereto.
- (f) “Code” means this code of ethics.
- (g) “Confidential Information” means any record or other information in any format that is either: (a.) prohibited by federal or state law from disclosure to the public; or (b.) prohibited from disclosure to the public by local law of the County; or (c) exempt from mandatory disclosure under the New York State Freedom of Information Law (“FOIL”) and the New York State Open Meetings Law.
- (h) “County” means the County of St. Lawrence or any department, board, executive division, institution, office, branch, bureau, commission, agency, legislature or other division or part thereof.
- (i) “County Elected Official” means a County Legislator, the County Clerk, the District Attorney, the County Treasurer, the Sheriff or the Coroner.
- (j) “Domestic Partner” means a person who is neither married nor related by blood or marriage to the County officer or employee, and is the County officer or employee’s sole spousal equivalent; lives together with the County Officer or employee in the same residence and

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intends to do so indefinitely and is responsible with the County officer or employee for each other's welfare.

- (k) "Financial Relationship" an ownership or investment interest in the legal entity or a compensation arrangement with the legal entity
- (l) "Gift" means anything of value sought or received for less than fair market value, whether in the form of money, service, loan, travel, entertainment, or tickets, or in any other form.
- (m) "Government" means the St. Lawrence County Legislature, and includes all of its agencies, offices, departments, divisions, bureaus, boards, administrations, authorities, corporations, councils, commissions, and other units.
- (n) "Interest" means a direct or indirect financial or material benefit, but does not include any benefit arising from the provision or receipt of any services generally available to the residents or taxpayers of the municipality or an area of the municipality, or a lawful class of such residents or taxpayers. A municipal officer or employee is deemed to have an interest in any private organization when he or she, his or her spouse, or a member of his or her household, is an owner, partner, member, director, officer, employee, or directly or indirectly owns or controls more than five percent (5%) of outstanding stock of the organization.
- (o) "Jurisdiction" shall mean having the authority, capacity, power or right to act with regard to the management and administration of policy and supervision of personnel of the County agency (as defined above at Article 2, Section 1) in which she or he is an officer, employee or appointed official (as defined above at Article 2, Sections 2 and 6).
- (p) "Legislation" means a matter which appears upon the calendar or agenda of the Legislature of St. Lawrence County or upon a committee hereof upon which any official action has been taken and shall include adopted acts, local laws, ordinances or resolutions.
- (q) "Major campaign contributor" of a County officer or employee means any individual or entity that has made, in the aggregate during the preceding 24 months, contributions of \$1,000 or more for the election of the County officer or employee to any public office.
- (r) "Ministerial act" means an administrative act, including the issuance of a license, permit, or other permission by the government, which is carried out in a prescribed manner and which does not involve substantial personal discretion.
- (s) "Municipality" means St. Lawrence County. The word "municipal" refers to the municipality.
- (t) "Municipal officer or employee" means a paid or unpaid officer or employee of St. Lawrence County, including, but not limited to, the members of any municipal board.
- (u) "Officer" or "employee" means any officer or employee of the County of St. Lawrence. It also includes elected officials, appointed officials and heads of any agency, institution, department, office, branch, division, council, commission, board or bureau of the County of St. Lawrence, whether paid or unpaid, who occupy a policy making position.

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- (v) “Policy-Making position” A position in County government shall be considered a policy-making position if it meets the following criteria, based either on the powers and duties of the position as set forth in the job description or any applicable law or regulation, or based on the actual duties performed by the person holding that position:
- (1) the position has been determined to be managerial pursuant to Civil Service Law §201(7); because the occupant formulates policy or;
  - (2) the position is in the non-competitive class under §2.2 of the rules and regulations of the New York State Department of Civil Service and it is designated by the County Civil Service Commissioner as a position which requires the performance of functions influencing policy, or
  - (3) the position is in the non-competitive class under §2.2 of the rules and regulations of the New York State Department of Civil Service and it is designated by the County Civil Service Commissioner as a position which requires the performance of functions influencing policy, or
  - (4) the person holding the position exercise responsibilities of a broad scope in the formulation of plans for the implementation of goals or policy for a county agency acts as an advisor to an individual in such a position, and
  - (5) Officers and employees holding the position have discretionary authority with respect to;
    - (i) Contracts, leases, franchises, revocable consents, concessions, variances, special permits, or licenses; or
    - (ii) The purchase, sale, rental or lease of real property, personal property, or services or a contract therefore; or
    - (iii) The obtaining of grants of money or loans; or
    - (iv) Inspections; or
    - (v) The adoption or repeal of any rule or regulation having the force and effect of law.
- (w) “Political Activity” doing something in active support of or opposition of a political party or a candidate for partisan political office or a partisan political group.
- (x) “Relative” means a spouse, parent, step-parent, sibling, step-sibling, sibling’s spouse, child, step-child, adoptive child, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, first cousin, or household member of a municipal officer or employee, and individuals having any of these relationships to the spouse of the officer or employee.
- (y) “Spouse” means the husband or wife of an officer, employee or appointed official subject to the provisions of this Local Law unless legally separated from such officer, employee or appointed official.
- (z) “Subordinate” means a County officer or employee the work of whom one has the authority to directly or indirectly control or direct, whether or not the two officers or employees stand in a direct reporting relationship to one another.

ARTICLE 3.           APPLICABILITY

This code of ethics applies to the officers and employees of the St. Lawrence County government, and shall supersede any prior municipal code of ethics. The provisions of this code of ethics shall apply in addition to all applicable State and local laws relating to conflicts of interest and ethics including, but not limited to, Article 18 of the General Municipal Law and all rules, regulations, policies and procedures of the St. Lawrence County.

ARTICLE 4.           PROHIBITION ON USE OF MUNICIPAL POSITION FOR PERSONAL OR PRIVATE GAIN

No municipal officer or employee shall use his or her municipal position or official authority and duties to secure a financial or material benefit for himself or herself, a relative, or any private organization in which he or she is deemed to have an interest.

ARTICLE 5.           DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST IN LEGISLATION AND OTHER MATTERS

- (a) Whenever a matter requiring the exercise of discretion comes before a municipal officer or employee, either individually or as a member of a board, and disposition of the matter could result in a direct or indirect financial or material benefit to himself or herself, a relative, or any private organization in which he or she is deemed to have an interest, the municipal officer or employee shall disclose in writing the nature of the interest.
- (b) The disclosure shall be made when the matter requiring disclosure first comes before the municipal officer or employee, or when the municipal officer or employee first acquires knowledge of the interest requiring disclosure, whichever is earlier.
- (c) In the case of a person serving in an elective office, the disclosure shall be filed with the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators. In all other cases, the disclosure shall be filed with the person's supervisor or, if the person does not have a supervisor, the disclosure shall be filed with the municipal officer, employee or board having the power to appoint to the person's position. In addition, in the case of a person serving as an appointee on a municipal board, a copy of the disclosure shall be filed with the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators. Any disclosure made to a board shall be made publicly at a meeting of the appropriate board and must be included in the minutes of the meeting.

ARTICLE 6.           RECUSAL AND ABSTENTION

- (a) No municipal officer or employee may participate in any decision or take any official action with respect to any matter requiring the exercise of discretion, including discussing the matter and voting on it, when he or she knows or has reason to know that the action could confer a direct or indirect financial or material benefit on himself or herself, a relative, or any private organization in which he or she is deemed to have an interest.
- (b) In the event that this section prohibits a municipal officer or employee from exercising or performing a power or duty:
  - (1) if the power or duty is vested in a municipal officer as a member of a board, then the power or duty shall be exercised or performed by the other members of the board;

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- (2) if the power or duty that is vested in a municipal officer individually, then the power or duty shall be exercised or performed by his or her deputy or, if the officer does not have a deputy, the power or duty shall be performed by another person to whom the officer may lawfully delegate the function; or
- (3) if the power or duty is vested in a municipal employee, he or she must refer the matter to his or her immediate supervisor, and the immediate supervisor shall designate another person to exercise or perform the power or duty.

ARTICLE 7.                    PROHIBITION INAPPLICABLE; DISCLOSURE, RECUSAL AND  
ABSTENTION NOT REQUIRED

- (a) This code's prohibition on use of a municipal position (section 4), disclosure requirements (section 5), and requirements relating to recusal and abstention (section 6), shall not apply with respect to the following matters:

- (1) adoption of the municipality's annual budget;
- (2) any matter requiring the exercise of discretion that directly affects any of the following groups of people or a lawful class of such groups:
  - (i) all municipal officers or employees;
  - (ii) all residents or taxpayers of the municipality or an area of the municipality; or
  - (iii) the general public.
- (3) any matter that does not require the exercise of discretion.

- (b) Recusal and abstention shall not be required with respect to any matter:

- (1) which comes before a board when a majority of the board's total membership would otherwise be prohibited from acting by section 6 of this code; or
- (2) which comes before a municipal officer when the officer would be prohibited from acting by section 6 of this code and the matter cannot be lawfully delegated to another person.

ARTICLE 8.                    INVESTMENTS IN CONFLICT WITH OFFICIAL DUTIES

- (a) No municipal officer or employee may acquire the following investments:

- (1) investments that can be reasonably expected to require more than sporadic recusal and abstention under section 6 of this code; or
- (2) investments that would otherwise impair the independence of judgment of the person in the exercise or performance of his or her official powers and duties.

- (b) This section does not prohibit a municipal officer or employee from acquiring any other investments or the following assets:

- (1) real property located within the municipality and used as his or her personal residence;
- (2) less than five percent of the stock of a publicly traded corporation; or
- (3) bonds or notes issued by the municipality and acquired more than one year after the date on which the bonds or notes were originally issued.

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ARTICLE 9. PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT IN CONFLICT WITH OFFICIAL DUTIES

No municipal officer or employee, during his or her tenure as a municipal officer or employee, may engage in any private employment, including the rendition of any business, commercial, professional or other types of services, when the employment:

- (a) can be reasonably expected to require more than sporadic recusal and abstention pursuant to section 6 of this code;
- (b) can be reasonably expected to require disclosure or use of confidential information gained by reason of serving as a municipal officer or employee;
- (c) violates section 805-a(1)(c) or (d) of the General Municipal Law; or
- (d) requires representation of a person or organization other than the municipality in connection with litigation, negotiations or any other matter to which the municipality is a party.

ARTICLE 10. FUTURE EMPLOYMENT

- (a) No municipal officer or employee may ask for, pursue, or accept a private post-government employment opportunity with any person or organization that has a matter requiring the exercise of discretion pending before the municipal officer or employee, either individually or as a member of a board, while the matter is pending or within the 30 days following final disposition of the matter.
- (b) No municipal officer or employee, for the two-year period after serving as a municipal officer or employee, may represent or render services to a private person or organization in connection with any matter involving the exercise of discretion before the municipal office, board, department or comparable organizational unit for which he or she serves.
- (c) No municipal officer or employee, at any time after serving as a municipal officer or employee, may represent or render services to a private person or organization in connection with any particular transaction in which he or she personally and substantially participated while serving as a municipal officer or employee.

ARTICLE 11. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIONS AND CLAIMS PERMITTED

This code shall not be construed as prohibiting a municipal officer or employee from:

- (a) representing himself or herself, or his or her spouse or minor children before the municipality; or
- (b) asserting a claim against the municipality on his or her own behalf, or on behalf of his or her spouse or minor children.

ARTICLE 12. USE OF MUNICIPAL RESOURCES

- (a) Municipal resources shall be used for lawful municipal purposes. Municipal resources include, but are not limited to, municipal personnel, and the municipality's money, vehicles, equipment, materials, supplies or other property.

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- (b) No municipal officer or employee may use or permit the use of municipal resources for personal or private purposes, but this provision shall not be construed as prohibiting:
  - (1) any use of municipal resources authorized by law or municipal policy;
  - (2) the use of municipal resources for personal or private purposes when provided to a municipal officer or employee as part of his or her compensation; or
  - (3) the occasional and incidental use during the business day of municipal telephones and computers for necessary personal matters such as family care and changes in work schedule.
- (c) No municipal officer or employee shall cause the municipality to spend more than is reasonably necessary for transportation, meals or lodging in connection with official travel.

ARTICLE 13.            INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS

- (a) No municipal officer or employee may have an interest in a contract that is prohibited by section 801 of the General Municipal Law.
- (b) Every municipal officer and employee shall disclose interests in contracts with the municipality at the time and in the manner required by section 803 of the General Municipal Law.

ARTICLE 14.            NEPOTISM

Except as otherwise required by law:

- (a) No municipal officer or employee, either individually or as a member of a board, may participate in any decision specifically to appoint, hire, promote, discipline or discharge a relative for any position at, for, or within the municipality or a municipal board.
- (b) No municipal officer or employee may supervise a relative in the performance of the relative's official powers or duties.

ARTICLE 15.            POLITICAL SOLICITATIONS

- (a) No municipal officer or employee shall directly or indirectly compel or induce a subordinate municipal officer or employee to make, or promise to make, any political contribution, whether by gift of money, service or other thing of value.
- (b) No municipal officer or employee may act or decline to act in relation to appointing, hiring or promoting, discharging, disciplining, or in any manner changing the official rank, status or compensation of any municipal officer or employee, or an applicant for a position as a municipal officer or employee, on the basis of the giving or withholding or neglecting to make any contribution of money or service or any other valuable thing for any political purpose.



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ARTICLE 16.           CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

No municipal officer or employee who acquires confidential information in the course of exercising or performing his or her official powers or duties may disclose or use such information unless the disclosure or use is required by law or in the course of exercising or performing his or her official powers and duties.

ARTICLE 17.           GIFTS

- (a) No municipal officer or employee shall solicit, accept, or receive a gift in violation of section 805-a(1)(a) of the General Municipal Law as interpreted in this section.
- (b) No municipal officer or employee may directly or indirectly solicit any gift.
- (c) No municipal officer or employee may accept or receive any gift, or multiple gifts from the same donor, having an annual aggregate value of seventy-five dollars or more when:
  - (1) the gift reasonably appears to be intended to influence the officer or employee in the exercise or performance of his or her official powers or duties;
  - (2) the gift could reasonably be expected to influence the officer or employee in the exercise or performance of his or her official powers or duties; or
  - (3) the gift is intended as a reward for any official action on the part of the officer or employee.
- (d) For purposes of this section, a “gift” includes anything of value, whether in the form of money, service, loan, travel, entertainment, hospitality, thing or promise, or in any other form. The value of a gift is the gift’s fair market value, determined by the retail cost of the item or a comparable item. The fair market value of a ticket entitling the holder to food, refreshments, entertainment, or any other benefit is the face value of the ticket, or the actual cost to the donor, whichever is greater. Determination of whether multiple gifts from a single donor exceed seventy-five dollars must be made by adding together the value of all gifts received from the donor by an officer or employee during the twelve-month period preceding the receipt of the most recent gift.
- (e) A gift to a municipal officer or employee is presumed to be intended to influence the exercise or performance of his or her official powers or duties when the gift is from a private person or organization that seeks municipal action involving the exercise of discretion by or with the participation of the officer or employee.
- (f) A gift to a municipal officer or employee is presumed to be intended as a reward for official action when the gift is from a private person or organization that has obtained municipal action involving the exercise of discretion by or with the participation of the officer or employee during the preceding twelve months.
- (g) This section does not prohibit any other gift, including:
  - (1) gifts made to the municipality;

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- (2) gifts from a person with a family or personal relationship with the officer or employee when the circumstances make it clear that the personal relationship, rather than the recipient's status as a municipal officer or employee, is the primary motivating factor for the gift;
- (3) gifts given on special occasions, such as marriage, illness, or retirement, which are modest, reasonable and customary;
- (4) unsolicited advertising or promotional material of little intrinsic value, such as pens, pencils, note pads, and calendars;
- (5) awards and plaques having a value of seventy-five dollars or less which are publicly presented in recognition of service as a municipal officer or employee, or other service to the community; or
- (6) meals and refreshments provided when a municipal officer or employee is a speaker or participant at a job-related professional or educational conference or program and the meals and refreshments are made available to all participants.

#### ARTICLE 18.           BOARD OF ETHICS

- (a) There is hereby established a Board of Ethics for the municipality. The Board of Ethics shall consist of five members, appointed for a term of four years, a majority of whom shall not be officers or employees of the municipality, but at least one of whom must be a municipal officer or employee. The members of the Board of Ethics shall be appointed by the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority, and receive no salary or compensation for their services as members of the Board of Ethics.
- (b) The Board of Ethics shall render advisory opinions to the officers and employees of St. Lawrence County with respect to Article 18 of the General Municipal Law and this code. Such advisory opinions must be rendered pursuant to the written request of any such officer or employee regarding proposed or performed conduct of the officer or employee or direct subordinate of the officer and employee under such rules and regulations as the Board of Ethics may prescribe. The Board of Ethics shall have the advice of legal counsel employed by the Board, or if none, the legal counsel of the County. If advisory opinions are requested related to the Board of Legislators, separate counsel can be provided to the Board of Ethics. In addition, the Board of Ethics may make recommendations with respect to the drafting and adoption of a code of ethics, or amendments thereto, upon the request of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators.

#### ARTICLE 19.           ADVISORY OPINIONS

- (a) The Board of Ethics shall have authority to render confidential advisory opinions with respect to all matters covered by this law upon the written request of a current, former, or prospective agency, government officer or employee. Advisory opinions shall relate only to the interests, conduct, or actions of the requester or of a subordinate of the requester.
- (b) A current, former, or prospective agency, government officer or employee who acts in conformity with an advisory opinion shall not be subject to penalties or sanctions under this law for having so acted, unless the request for the advisory opinion omitted or misstated facts material to the opinion. The Board of Ethics may amend or rescind an advisory opinion at any time upon notice to the agency, officer or employee, provided, however, that the amended advisory opinion shall apply only to future actions of the officer or employee.

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- (c) Advisory opinions and requests for advisory opinions shall be indexed and maintained on file by the Board of Ethics. The Board of Ethics shall publish such of its advisory opinions as the Board of Ethics deems beneficial for the guidance of government officers and employees, those doing business with the government, and members of the public, provided, however, that before publishing such advisory opinions the Board of Ethics shall first make such deletions as are necessary to prevent disclosure of the identity of the involved officers and employees.

## ARTICLE 20. POSTING AND DISTRIBUTION

- (a) The St. Lawrence County Administrator must promptly cause a copy of this code, and a copy of any amendment to this code, to be posted publicly and conspicuously in each building under the control of the municipality.
- (b) The code must be posted within ten (10) days following the date on which the code takes effect. An amendment to the code must be posted within ten (10) days following the date on which the amendment takes effect.
- (c) The St. Lawrence County Administrator must promptly cause a copy of this code, including any amendments to the code, to be distributed to every person who is or becomes an officer and employee of the St. Lawrence County.
- (d) Every municipal officer or employee who receives a copy of this code or an amendment to the code must acknowledge such receipt in writing. Such acknowledgments must be filed with the St. Lawrence County Attorney who must maintain such acknowledgments as a public record.
- (e) The failure to post this code or an amendment to the code does not affect either the applicability or enforceability of the code or the amendment. The failure of a municipal officer or employee to receive a copy of this code of ethics or an amendment to the code, or to acknowledge receipt thereof in writing, does not affect either the applicability or enforceability of the code or amendment to the code.

## ARTICLE 21. ENFORCEMENT

Any municipal officer or employee who violates this code may be censured, fined, suspended, or removed from office or employment in the manner provided by law.

## ARTICLE 22. FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

- (a) Officers and employees required to file. The following classes of officers and employees of the government shall be required to file a signed financial disclosure statement on an annual basis:
  - (1) Elected officials;
  - (2) The heads of any agency, department, division, council, board, commission, authority or bureau of the government and their deputies and other persons authorized to act on their behalf who make policy decisions; and
  - (3) Officers and employees including members of boards, commissions and public authorities of the government who hold policymaking positions. All members of

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advisory boards, advisory councils, and advisory commissions where such advisory commissions, advisory councils, and advisory boards hold no policy-making function of St. Lawrence County are exempt from this requirement.

- (b) Time and place for filing annual financial disclosure statements shall be filed with the Board of Ethics no later than the 31<sup>st</sup> of March each year. This statement may be filed with the Office of the County Attorney.

ARTICLE 23.            DESIGNATION OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES REQUIRED  
TO FILE FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

Within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this law, and during the month of February each year thereafter, the heads of every agency, department, division, council, board, commission, authority or bureau of the government shall:

- (a) Cause to be filed with the Board of Ethics a list of the names and offices or positions of all government officers and employees subject to his or her jurisdiction required to file annual financial disclosure statements pursuant to Article 8 of this law; and
- (b) Notify all such officers and employees of their obligation to file an annual disclosure statement by March 31 of each year.

ARTICLE 24.            MAINTENANCE AND USE OF FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE  
STATEMENTS (FDS)

- (a) The Board of Ethics shall index and maintain on file for at least seven (7) years all annual financial disclosure statements filed.
- (b) The Board of Ethics shall secure a copy of the active vendor list from the County on an annual basis that includes all vendors doing business with St. Lawrence County. The active vendor list will be used for the purpose of conducting an audit of submitted annual Financial Disclosure Statements (FDS). At a minimum, on a biennial basis, the Board of Ethics will compare, through an audit, the active vendors to businesses acknowledged by individuals in their Financial Disclosure Statements. The Board of Ethics will notify the County of any conflicts. The County will be responsible to ensure separation exists between employees and identified conflicts with access to vendors where there is a preexisting relationship. If there are issues, the County will communicate with the Board of Ethics.

ARTICLE 25.            EFFECTIVE DATE

This code takes effect upon filing with the Secretary of State.

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STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 85-2024 Entitled “Setting a Date for a Public Hearing for Proposed Local Law B (No. \_\_) for the Year 2024 “Rescinding all Previous Ethics Laws and Amendments and Adopting the St. Lawrence County Ethics Law””, adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
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Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 86-2024

**URGING GOVERNOR HOCHUL TO DOUBLE THE AMOUNT OF FUNDING FOR CRITICALLY NEEDED AGING SERVICES FOR THE 2024-2025 NEW YORK STATE BUDGET SO THAT OLDER ADULTS MAY AGE SAFELY IN PLACE**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6, Mr. Webster, District 11, and Ms. Curran, District 15

**WHEREAS**, The Older Americans Act enacted in 1965, provided regulatory parameters and services to assist older individuals and their caregivers and New York State is home to 4.6 million older New Yorkers and is currently fourth in the nation for the over 60 population, and

**WHEREAS**, over the course of the past 58 years, Area Agencies on Aging have provided valuable services and support such as: home delivered meals, home care services, transportation, legal services, home modifications, evidence-based interventions, case management, information and assistance, social adult day services, respite, health promotion and wellness, health insurance information and assistance, elder abuse prevention and mitigation, senior center programing, volunteer opportunities, ancillary services, and operate the NY Connects No Wrong Door infrastructure, and

**WHEREAS**, although these services are mandated by Federal and State regulations in order to accept Older Americans Act Funding, the burden of the cost of these services is heavily dependent on local government funding and Federal and State contributions to Older New Yorkers have not kept pace with the growing needs of the population, and

**WHEREAS**, there are approximately 20 million people currently in New York State and those numbers include 4.6 million older adults and 4.1 million caregivers who support them; which equals almost half of the entire population of the State, and

**WHEREAS**, the entire New York State Office for the Aging (NYSOFA) budget is approximately \$200 million, while the entire New York State overall budget for the coming year will be \$229 billion, thus the entire NYSOFA budget is less than one-tenth (1/10) of one percent (1%) of the overall State budget for the year, and

**WHEREAS**, older New Yorkers pay \$72 billion per year in State and local taxes, but only receive 0.08% of State funding for vital services that are necessary to keep older adults safe and cared for in their own homes as they age, and

**WHEREAS**, there are currently 18,000 older New Yorkers on waitlists for aging services in New York State and that number continues to grow every day, and

**WHEREAS**, expenses for individuals using NYSOFA community-based services average less than \$10,000 per year, while the State pays about \$140,000 per year in Medicaid costs if an individual is placed in a facility, and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor has indicated that there is no additional funding available for aging services, yet the proposed budget allocated funding for \$100 million for the New York

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State Parks systems' 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, \$100 million for swimming pools and pop up pools, \$300 million for safe swimming classes and infrastructure improvements at State Parks, and

**WHEREAS**, the entire NYSOFA budget is about \$200 million and the allocations for recreation are more than double the entire budget for aging services, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County is home to 26,000 individuals over the age of 60 and one third of senior citizens are living in poverty or just above poverty levels and are struggling to afford food, medications, home heating fuel, rent, mortgages, and utilities due to the high cost of inflation while living on extremely limited incomes,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators urge Governor Hochul to double the amount of funding for critically needed aging services for the 2024-2025 budget, so that older adults may age safely in place.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul; Senator Mark Walczyk; Senator Dan Stec; Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush; and Assemblyman Scott Gray.

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE        )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 86-2024 Entitled "Urging Governor Hochul to Double the Amount of Funding for Critically Needed Aging Services for the 2024-2025 New York State Budget so that Older Adults May Age Safely in Place", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

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Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 87-2024

**ADOPTING LOCAL LAW A (NO.   ) FOR THE YEAR 2024 RESCINDING LOCAL LAW NO. 7 FOR THE YEAR 1994 “BANNING DANGEROUS WEAPONS IN COUNTY OWNED BUILDINGS & VEHICLES”**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

Co-Sponsored by Mr. Forsythe, District 2, Mr. Perkins, District 7, and Ms. Curran, District 15

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence as follows:

Section 1.      LEGISLATIVE INTENT

It is the intent of this local law to rescind Local Law No. 7 of the Year 1994 which had been entitled: “BANNING DANGEROUS WEAPONS IN COUNTY OWNED BUILDINGS AND VEHICLES” as the State of New York has enacted legislation which has rendered this local law superfluous.

Section 2.      AUTHORITY

This local law is adopted pursuant to the Municipal Home Rule Law and the County Law which expressly authorizes the County Board to adopt a local law related to the property and operations of County government.

Section 3.      RESCISSION OF LOCAL LAW OPTING OUT

The St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators hereby rescinds Local Law No. 7 of the Year 1994 which had been entitled: “Banning Dangerous Weapons in County owned Buildings and Vehicles”.

Section 4.      SEVERABILITY

If any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstances, shall be adjusted by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unconstitutional, such order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this Local Law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5.      EFFECTIVE DATE

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.



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STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE        )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 87-2024 Entitled “Adopting Local Law A (No. \_\_) for the Year 2024 Rescinding Local Law No. 7 for the Year 1994 “Banning Dangerous Weapons in County Owned Buildings & Vehicles””, adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
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Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 88-2024

**CALLING ON THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PASS THE AFFORDABLE  
CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM EXTENSION ACT (H.R.6929/S.3565)**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) has provided more than 22 million low-income households with a monthly discount of \$30 on home broadband service from participating internet service providers, and

**WHEREAS**, enrollment data indicates that ACP provided benefits in the amount of \$4,283,828 to residents of St. Lawrence County from January 2022 through November 2023, and

**WHEREAS**, without imminent congressional action, the ACP is expected to exhaust its current source of funds and will be forced to halt benefits at the end of April 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, the end of ACP would impact individual households, communities, and internet service providers, and households would risk losing connectivity and broadband affordability, and adoption goals would be negatively impacted,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators calls on the United States Congress to pass the Affordable Connectivity Program Extension Act (H.R.6929/S.3565), and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Chuck Schumer, Senator Kristen Gillibrand, Congresswoman Elise Stefanik, Senator Mark Walczyk, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, and Assemblyman Scott Gray.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 88-2024 Entitled "Calling on the United States Congress to Pass the Affordable Connectivity Program Extension Act (H.R.6929/S.3565)", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

*Kelly S. Bigwarfe*  
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Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

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Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 89-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR THE GENERATOR PROJECT AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (NYS DHSES) awarded \$437,400 to St. Lawrence County for the purpose of installing a backup generator for the Human Services Center, formally titled "HMGP 4480-0085 St. Lawrence County Human Services Center Generator Project," and

**WHEREAS**, the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) requires ten percent (10%) of project costs come from non-State or Federal sources (local match),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services for the generator project, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chair is authorized to sign any other documentation necessary for the administration, delivery, and closeout of HMGP 4480-0085 St. Lawrence County Human Services Center Generator Project, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes untargeted contingency funds, up to \$48,600, to be appropriated for this purpose, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget for the County Administrator's Office, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

BG016202 24000	BLDG Highway & Street Equipment	\$486,000
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**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

BL019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$48,600
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

BG033065 56000	SA Homeland Security	\$437,400
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any remaining funds will be rolled over future budgets until the grant is fully expended.

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STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 89-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services for the Generator Project and Modifying the 2024 Budget for the County Administrator's Office", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

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Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 90-2024

**RETIREE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR EMPLOYEES  
IN UNREPRESENTED TITLES**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County provides a self-insured healthcare plan for eligible employees and retirees which is currently administered by Excellus Blue Cross/Blue Shield, and

**WHEREAS**, in order for employees of St. Lawrence County to continue health insurance coverage into retirement certain eligible criteria must be met, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 78-2000 provided that employees in unrepresented titles receive the same benefits and health insurance plan provided to CSEA Local 8400 employees, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County is responsible for ensuring that eligibility is met for employees in unrepresented titles in accordance with applicable board resolutions as follows, and eligibility criteria is as follows:

- Employee must be an active participant in the County Healthcare Plan at time of retirement or was previously employed by the County and had no break in service between resignation and enrollment in COBRA, and who chooses to retire prior to the expiration of the COBRA coverage;
- All employees who qualify for retirement benefits from the County are eligible for coverage only to the extent of coverage they carried on the day prior to retirement. Dependents of retirees who are not covered by the Plan prior to the employee's retirement are not eligible dependents;
- Employees who have qualified for permanent NYS Retirement Disability may be considered to be retired for purpose of retiree health insurance coverage eligibility regardless of age, provided that they have had at least ten (10) years of service with the County;
- Employee must continue to make premiums contributions in accordance with the County Health Insurance Billing Policy;
- Employees hired prior to August 1, 2009:
  - Completion of at least five (5) years of continuous service; and
  - Employed by St. Lawrence County at the time of retirement; and
  - Qualification for retirement as a member of the New York State Employees retirement system or one of its civil divisions (proof of retirement must be provided to the County); or
  - Not a member of the New York State Retirement System and is at least 55 years of age

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- Employees hired on or after August 1, 2009 but before October 1, 2012:
  - Completion of at least ten (10) years of continuous full-time equivalent service for employees not represented by a bargaining unit; and
  - Employed by St. Lawrence County at the time of retirement; and
  - Qualification for retirement as a member of New York State Retirement System or one of its civil divisions (proof of retirement must be provided to the County); or
  - Not a member of the New York State Retirement System, but has completed at least ten (10) years of continuous full-time equivalent service for employees not represented by a bargaining unit and is at least 55 years of age.
- Employees hired after October 1, 2012:
  - Completion of at least fifteen (15) years of full-time or full-time equivalent continuous service; with St. Lawrence County; and
  - employed by St. Lawrence County at the time of retirement; and
  - Enrolled in the County health plan for five years and enrolled in the health plan at the time of retirement; and
  - Qualification for retirement as a member of New York State Retirement System or one of its civil divisions (proof of retirement must be provided to the County),

**WHEREAS**, benefits provided to employees in unrepresented titles that differ from benefits provided in accordance with Resolution No. 78-2000 are authorized by adopted resolutions of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, there is interest in updating the eligibility requirements for the County employees in unrepresented (non-union) titles and providing this benefit going forward,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators approves updates to the St. Lawrence County Retiree Health Insurance coverage for employees in unrepresented titles, and the changes necessary in the St. Lawrence County Healthcare Plan Document, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that employees hired/elected on or after October 1, 2012 and retired after January 1, 2024 are eligible if:

- Completion of at least ten (10) years of full-time or part-time or elected service with St. Lawrence County; and
- Employed by St. Lawrence County at the time of retirement; and
- If hired before January 1, 2024 - Eligible and Enrolled in the SLC health plan for five years and at the time of retirement; or
- If hired after January 1, 2024 - Eligible and Enrolled in the SLC health plan for five continuous years directly prior to and at the time of retirement; and
- If a member of the NY State Retirement system – proof of retirement; or
- If not a member of the NY State Retirement System – at least 55 years old

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STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 90-2024 Entitled “Retiree Health Insurance Coverage for Employees in Unrepresented Titles”, adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

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Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 91-2024

**ESTABLISHING A HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUM PAYMENT POLICY  
FOR ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY RETIREES AND ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County sponsors a healthcare plan for employees and retirees that meet specific criteria, and

**WHEREAS**, the St. Lawrence County healthcare plan is self-insured and currently administered by Excellus Blue Cross/Blue Shield, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County is responsible for ensuring that appropriate coverage is provided and employee/retiree contributions are paid, and

**WHEREAS**, Human Resources sends out monthly bills to eligible employees and retirees, and

**WHEREAS**, Human Resources has historically processed monthly billing, as follows:

- Health Insurance bills are sent on or about the 28<sup>th</sup> of each month for the following month coverage;
- Health Insurance payments are due on the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month for that month of coverage;
- First delinquent notice are sent on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month following first month of non-payment. (Employee/Retiree is one month behind in payments.);
- Second delinquent notice are sent on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month following second month of non-payment. (Employee/Retiree is two months behind in payments.);
- Final delinquent notice are sent on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month following third month of non-payment. (Employee/Retiree is three months behind in payments.);
- Partial payments have been accepted and applied to total debt and the employee/retiree is kept on the health insurance as long as they are making a payment in any amount.

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County Self-Insurance Health Plan allows the County to retroactively terminate a covered member for non-payment going back four (4) months (120 days), and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County does not terminate health insurance coverage on an employee/retiree for not making payment in full, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County Human Resources would like to establish a clear, consistent and equitable policy to ensure payment of health insurance premium contributions or termination of coverage, and



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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes establishing a Health Insurance Premium Payment Policy, as attached, for St. Lawrence County Retirees and Eligible Employees.

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 91-2024 Entitled "Establishing a Health Insurance Premium Payment Policy for St. Lawrence County Retirees and Eligible Employees", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
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## **HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUM PAYMENT POLICY**

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY

Resolution No. -2024

### **POLICY STATEMENT:**

St. Lawrence County sponsors a healthcare plan for eligible employees and retirees. The St. Lawrence County healthcare plan is self-insured and administered by Excellus Blue Cross/Blue Shield. Plan members must pay the defined health insurance premium contributions in order to maintain coverage.

### **PREMIUM CONTRIBUTION PAYMENTS FOR ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES AND RETIREES:**

- Active employees pay through payroll deductions
- Active employees on a Leave of Absence (LOA) without pay, pay by check each month
- Retirees pay through their sick accrual balance OR by check each month
- Retiree surviving spouses pay through check each month (retiree sick accruals no longer apply)
- Monthly payments must be made in full month increments – no partial month payments accepted.
- Delinquent payments will be applied back to the first month of non-payment

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

- Eligibility for health insurance coverage is defined in applicable St. Lawrence County collective bargaining agreements, applicable resolutions of the Board of Legislators, management manual, and the healthcare plan document.

### **BILLING PROCESS:**

- Health Insurance bills are sent out on the 28<sup>th</sup> or 29<sup>th</sup> of each month for the following month coverage.
- Health Insurance payments are due on the 25<sup>th</sup> of each month for that month of coverage.

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- First delinquent notice goes out on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month following first month of non-payment.
  - Employee/Retiree is one month behind in payments
- Second delinquent notice goes out on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month following second month of non-payment.
  - Employee/Retiree is two months behind in payments
- Final delinquent notice goes out on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month following third month of non-payment.
  - Employee/Retiree is three months behind in payments
- If no payment is made by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the fourth month the insurance will be cancelled back to the first of the month of the first month of non-payment.
- An employee/retiree cannot be more than three (3) months behind in payments. If payment is not made by the due date of the fourth month coverage will be terminated.
- Termination will be retroactive back to the first month the employee did not make a full month payment.
- Once coverage is terminated, the employee/retiree will be responsible for any claims and service charges incurred back to the date of termination (up to 120 days).
- Once coverage is terminated the employee/retiree will not be covered under the plan again.

**Example of delinquent payment timeline:**

1. December 2023 bill sent December 28, 2023 – for January 2024 coverage.
2. Payment is due January 25, 2024 for January 2024 coverage.
3. February 15, 2024 – First delinquent notice is sent for January 2024 coverage.
4. March 15, 2024 – Second delinquent notice is sent for January and February 2024 coverage.
5. April 15, 2024 – Final delinquent notice is sent for January, February, and March 2024 coverage.
6. April 26, 2024 – Insurance coverage is cancelled retroactively to January 1, 2024
7. All claims incurred on or after January 1, 2024 are the full responsibility of the employee/retiree. The insurance carrier will bill the employee/retiree for all payments made on their behalf during this period.

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Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 92-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH  
SECURITAS SECURITY SERVICES FOR THE PROVISION OF SECURITY  
SERVICES AT THE HAROLD B. SMITH BUILDING**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Securitas Security Services has been providing quality security at the Harold B. Smith Building for more than twenty (20) years, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County and Securitas Security Services would like to renew an agreement (DAA60104 430SS) to provide two (2) security guards at the Harold B. Smith Building in order to provide the needed protection, and

**WHEREAS**, the rate allowed is calculated using a contractual mark-up of twenty-three and six tenth percent (23.6 %) of prevailing wages plus supplemental benefit rates posted by the New York State Department of Labor,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a one-year renewal agreement with Securitas Security Services for the provision of security services at the Harold B. Smith Building, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 92-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Renewal Agreement with Securitas Security Services for the Provision of Security Services at the Harold B. Smith Building", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

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Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 93-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
FOR THE PRESCHOOL PROGRAM**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department is responsible for expenses associated with the Preschool Program, and

**WHEREAS**, there have been higher than anticipated expenses within the Preschool Program which will be offset by an increase in revenue within the Preschool Program,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Budget for the Public Health Department for the Preschool Program, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

PK040504 46502	P PREK Tuition Payments	\$1,100,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

PK034725 56000	P SH NYSOP 59-5%	\$654,500
PK027015 55000	P LR PK Prior Year Refunds	<u>445,500</u>
		\$1,100,000

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 93-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2023 Budget for the Public Health Department for the Preschool Program", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 94-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT DUE  
TO AN INCREASE IN EXPENSES IN THE PREVENTIVE SERVICES PROGRAMS**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department is responsible for the Preventive Services Programs, and

**WHEREAS**, there have been higher than anticipated expenses in the Preventive Services Programs, and

**WHEREAS**, there have been lower than anticipated expenses in the Coroners Program,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Budget for the Public Health Department for an increase in expenses to the Preventive Services Program, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

PP040104 43007	P PREV Other Fees & Services	\$6,500
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**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

PC011854 43016	P COR Autopsies	\$6,500
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 94-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2023 Budget for the Public Health Department Due to an Increase in Expenses in the Preventive Services Programs", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

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Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 95-2024

**AUTHORIZING PAY ADJUSTMENTS FOR THE MEDICAL DIRECTOR  
AND MEDICATION ASSISTED TREATMENT (MAT) PHYSICIAN  
FOR THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Pathmalingam, the Medicated Assisted Treatment (MAT) Physician at the County Correctional Facility receives a monthly salary augmented by actual number of patient visits, and

**WHEREAS**, an adjustment to that formula will allow Dr. Pathmalingam to be compensated based on the average number of patient visits for the prior year, at a rate of \$100 per patient visit, and for 2024 the annual compensation will be \$116,039.82, with an evaluation of the number of patient visits for adjustment every year, and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Pathmalingam will continue to receive \$2,000 per month (\$4743201 16000) for oversight and on-call responsibilities included in the total listed above, and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Kring, the Medical Director at the County Correctional Facility has taken on additional responsibilities of supervising staff, oversight, and on-call responsibilities, and

**WHEREAS**, to ensure equity for the compensation of the Medical Director and MAT Physician at the County Correctional Facility, the monthly compensation for Dr. Kring will increase from \$1,200 to \$2,000 (\$4031501 16000), and the per visit reimbursement will remain unchanged,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the recommended pay adjustments for the Medical Director and Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Physician for the St. Lawrence County Correctional Facility, effective March 2, 2024.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 95-2024 Entitled "Authorizing Pay Adjustments for the Medical Director and Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Physician for the St. Lawrence County Correctional Facility", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 96-2024

**PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE 100<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY OF  
MRS. ELEANOR RANDALL CUNNINGHAM**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

By Mr. Reagen, District 1

**WHEREAS**, longevity of life is a blessing for an individual and for the community which benefits from the knowledge and experiences this individual brings to all, and

**WHEREAS**, the County of St. Lawrence recognizes with great respect and admiration the contributions all people, including senior citizens, give to our communities, and

**WHEREAS**, Eleanor Randall Cunningham was born on March 4, 1924 to her parents, George and Delora Randall, and was raised and lived her entire life in Ogdensburg, growing up during the Great Depression when bread and gas were rationed during World War II, and

**WHEREAS**, Eleanor spent a lot of time on the St. Lawrence River where her parents and grandparents had cottages, and her favorite things to do were fishing, swimming, and frogging with her father, and

**WHEREAS**, Eleanor loved anything musical and as a teenager took lessons to learn to play the ukulele, and she also liked to help her parents in their antique and motel businesses in Waddington, and

**WHEREAS**, having no television in her younger years, some of her favorite memories were gathering around the radio with friends listening to shows such as The Lone Ranger, Little Orphan Annie, Fibber McGee and Molly, and the Jack Benny Program, and

**WHEREAS**, prior to marriage, Eleanor worked at the Cleveland Container in Ogdensburg and in 1948, Eleanor married Daniel Cunningham becoming a housewife and stay-at-home mom raising four daughters, Karen, Patricia, Pamela, and Darcy, together with her husband, and

**WHEREAS**, following the death of her husband in 1978, Eleanor went to work as a Library Clerk at the St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center until retirement, and

**WHEREAS**, Eleanor is a member of the Notre Dame Church, was a member of the Ogdensburg Democratic Committee for many years, was active in a CB Radio Club during the 1970s, loves bingo, enjoys collecting antiques, enjoys technology and spends time surfing the internet and is active on Facebook, and participated in Tai Chi well into her 70s, and

**WHEREAS**, now at the blessed age of 100 years old, Mrs. Eleanor Randall Cunningham is to be commended for distinguishing herself not only for the length of her incredible life but the impact she undoubtedly had on many lives in her community, and



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**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators wishes to honor the newest centenarian in the County with sincerest congratulations and best wishes for many more happy productive years,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators recognizes the 100<sup>th</sup> birthday of Mrs. Eleanor Randall Cunningham.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 96-2024 Entitled "Proclamation Recognizing the 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday of Mrs. Eleanor Randall Cunningham", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 97-2024

**AUTHORIZING FILLING OF VACANCIES**

By Mr. Denesha, District 6 and Mr. Fay, District 9

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 369-2019 and Resolution No. 253-2020 authorized the continuance of the current vacancy review process with a recommendation that the vacancies continue to be deliberated at each jurisdictional committee, but one resolution be created for all approved positions to be considered at the Regular Board Meeting, and

**WHEREAS**, the Vacancy Review Committee reviewed fifteen (15) positions in seven (7) departments, and of those reviewed one (1) position was held, five (5) positions were new positions, and four (4) positions will be abolished,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the fill of each of the following vacancies which have been reviewed and recommended to be filled or created and filled by the Vacancy Review Committee:

<b><u>Department/Unit:</u></b>	<b><u>Title:</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Type</u></b>	<b><u>Duration</u></b>	<b><u>Timeline</u></b>
Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff Detective*	605500008	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Community Services	Case Manager	512200001	FT	Provisional	Immediate
Community Services	Chemical Dependency Case Aide	510300004	FT	Provisional	Immediate
Social Services/Accounting	Account Clerk	100100043	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Social Services/Chronic Care	Social Welfare Examiner	814000027	FT	Contingent	Immediate
Social Services/Chronic Care	Social Welfare Examiner	814000018	FT	Contingent	Immediate
Social Services/Child Support	Support Investigator	813000006	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Social Services/Daycare	Social Welfare Examiner	814000048	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Public Health	Service Coordinator	506000001	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Public Health	Senior Services Coordinator*	507700001	FT	Provisional	Immediate
Public Health	Principal Account Clerk*	100300010	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Highway	Motor Equipment Operator*	310000035	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Highway	Motor Equipment Operator	310000004	FT	Permanent	90 days

\*new position

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Position No. 605000007, Deputy Sheriff be abolished in the Sheriff's Office; Position No. 502000004, Community Health Nurse and Position No. 100300007, Principal Account Clerk be abolished in Public Health, and Position No. 312300003, Bridge Construction Mechanic, be abolished in Highway, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** for any positions funded by grants, and the grant goes away, those positions will be abolished, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the appointing authorities are authorized to fill the positions as provided for in the resolution.

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STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 97-2024 Entitled “Authorizing Filling of Vacancies”, adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 98-2024

**URGING GOVERNOR HOCHUL AND NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE  
TO RESTORE AND INCREASE CHIPS HIGHWAY FUNDING**

By Mr. Denesha, District 6

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators expresses its concern regarding the proposed \$100 million reduction in funding for the Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPs) within the Executive Budget as recommended by Governor Hochul, and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed \$100 million cut represents a significant threat to the infrastructure needs of all New York municipalities, including St. Lawrence County, which faces an estimated reduction of \$500,000 in funding, and

**WHEREAS**, this reduction will have a devastating impact on the ability of municipalities to maintain and repair roads,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators strongly urges Governor Hochul and New York State Legislature to restore and increase CHIPs Highway Funding, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Chuck Schumer, Senator Kristen Gillibrand, Senator Mark Walczyk, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, and Assemblyman Scott Gray.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 98-2024 Entitled "Urging Governor Hochul and New York State Legislature to Restore and Increase CHIPs Highway Funding", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

March 4, 2024

Finance Committee: 2-26-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 99-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF AN AIRBOAT FOR  
ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR  
THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County has over seventy (70) miles of shore along the St. Lawrence River, as well as 706 lakes and 74 rivers, and

**WHEREAS**, along the shoreline, and in many of the lakes and rivers, there are wetlands and marshlands that are not easily accessible to rescue personnel, and

**WHEREAS**, there is a significant portion of the population of St. Lawrence County who take part in winter sports, such as ice fishing and snowmobiling, which take place on frozen waterbodies, and

**WHEREAS**, the County appreciates the need to provide for the Public Safety of its residents and visitors when engaged in activities on waterways in the County, and

**WHEREAS**, the County recognizes the benefit of having an adequate level of preparedness with staff, personnel, training, and equipment available in the event of an emergency where mutual aid is required, and

**WHEREAS**, the importance of having the appropriate equipment available has led to the County securing equipment such as snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, and most recently a new Unified Command Vehicle (UCV 2.0) to support and assist during emergencies, and

**WHEREAS**, equipment owned by the County is accessible to emergency personnel through mutual aid, so that all responding agencies have the ability to utilize equipment in their response,

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators has indicated an interest in acquiring equipment when appropriate to ensure optimal public safety is available to residents and visitors,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the purchase of an Airboat from 1000 Islands Air Boat for a total of \$155,000 and up fit to meet the specifications for St. Lawrence County in the amount of \$45,000, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget for the County Administrator's Office as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1019904 49700

B SPEC Contingency Account

\$200,000

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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

X2036402 25000	X Rescue Technical Equipment	\$100,000
T6199509 90600	T IFT GF Transfer to CP	<u>100,000</u>
		\$200,000

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

BG619974 43007 PSC	Pub Safety Complex Fac Improv	\$100,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

T6650319 90100	T IFT CP Transfer from GF	\$100,000
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**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

BG919974 43007 ARP6	B ARP 6.1 Public Safety Complex	\$100,000
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**DECREASE REVENUE:**

BG940895 57000 ARP6	B ARP 6.1 Revenue PSC	\$100,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

X2936402 25000 ARP6	X ARP 6.1 Rescue Tech Equipment	\$100,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

X2940895 57000 ARP6	X ARP 6.1 Rescue Tech Eq Rev	\$100,000
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STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 99-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Purchase of an Airboat for St. Lawrence County and Modifying the 2024 Budget for the County Administrator's Office", adopted March 4, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
March 5, 2024

April 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 3-11-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 100-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH ONONDAGA COUNTY  
FOR A MASTER RADIO COMMUNICATIONS SITE AGREEMENT FOR THE  
OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, Onondaga County operates a Department of Emergency Communications which is headed by a Commissioner, who, among other things, is responsible for administering the operation of a county-wide emergency communications simulcast digital Trunked Land Mobile Radio (TLMR) network known as the Onondaga County Interoperable Communications System (OCICS), and

**WHEREAS**, the OCICS utilizes a Master Site Server to coordinate radio conversations on the TLMR and to gain efficiencies in the use of public airspace, and the Master Site Server has sufficient capacity to permit additional public service users, and

**WHEREAS**, the Central New York Interoperable Communications Consortium (CNYICC) is comprised the following eleven (11) counties: Broome, Cayuga, Cortland, Jefferson, Lewis, Madison, Oneida, Onondaga, Oswego, St. Lawrence, and Tioga, and

**WHEREAS**, the CNYICC was formed for the purpose of fostering collaboration on a joint regional interoperable communications network that could serve all first responders in the ten county region as well as interfacing with other local and regional state and federal public service agencies and would study and establish a process for sharing costs and assets that would be of mutual benefit to all parties, and

**WHEREAS**, Onondaga County wants to advance the goals of the CNYICC and of granting the member counties access to its OCICS TLMR Master Site, and, as owner of the Master Site may choose to expand the level of interoperability and extend licenses to responding entities which are not CNYICC members, and

**WHEREAS**, to provide for the safety and protection of the public and public safety responders, and to maintain the integrity of the OCICS, it is necessary to establish procedures for the use of the Master Site by the licensed users, and to provide for a means of allocating the costs and obligations associated with the administration and use of the Master Site in a fair and equitable manner upon all such licensed users,

**WHEREAS**, the cost to purchase an independent core would be over \$300,000, and after careful consideration it was determined that a shared core would meet the needs of St. Lawrence County allowing the cost to be shared between multiple counties annually,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Onondaga County for a Master Radio Communication Site for the Office of Emergency Services, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that following an opportunity to review costs, and additional resolution will be brought forward to modify the 2025 Budget for Emergency Services.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 100-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Onondaga County for a Master Radio Communications Site Agreement for the Office of Emergency Services”, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024



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Operations Committee: 3-11-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 101-2024

**SUPPORTING EMERGENCY SERVICE COMMUNICATION TOWERS  
FOR STAR LAKE AND CRANBERRY LAKE IN THE ADIRONDACK PARK**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County has secured funding to upgrade emergency communication towers and equipment throughout the County, and

**WHEREAS**, existing communication gaps in the Star Lake and Cranberry Lake areas are unacceptable and have the potential to put the health, safety, and welfare of emergency responders, law enforcement, residents, and visitors in dangerous situations with no communication apparatus, and

**WHEREAS**, two new tower locations in the hamlets of Star Lake and Cranberry Lake within the Adirondack Park have been identified as preferred locations to fill potential life-threatening emergency communication coverage gaps in the Clifton-Fine region, and

**WHEREAS**, these proposed new emergency communication towers, at maximum coverage heights, will substantially improve the current gaps and provide critical public safety upgrades, and

**WHEREAS**, the new emergency communication towers will significantly improve the communication needs for first responders, law enforcement, emergency management, NYS Forest Rangers, Clifton-Fine Hospital, North Country Life Flight, Fort Drum Medevac Services, SUNY ES&F Ranger School, SUNY ES&F Cranberry Lake Biological Field Station, Clifton-Fine Central School, Town of Clifton Highway Department, Town of Fine Highway Department, Snowmobile Groomers, Potential Cellular Providers, and the general public, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County is open to and is discussing co-locations with other providers that could reduce additional visual intrusions, and

**WHEREAS**, the 2019 New York Upstate Cellular Coverage Task Force report states that one key challenge in forested locations is that dense foliage rapidly weakens signal strength, and carriers have traditionally mitigated this issue by placing antennas well above the tree line, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County is applying for an Adirondack Park Agency Permit to install these new towers that will alleviate many of the emergency communication complications in the region; however, County staff have been met with a resistance by the APA to approve towers at certain elevated heights, and

**WHEREAS**, the approval of the two proposed emergency communication towers, at increased heights, would eliminate the need for an additional two relay towers (should the APA disapprove of the elevated heights) at an additional taxpayer cost of approximately \$1.5 million each for a total of \$3 million, which would also have significant environmental impacts (access

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roads, electrical services, additional visual impacts), cause severe delays in coverage areas while additional funding is sought, and increase long term operation and maintenance costs to the taxpayers,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators supports Emergency Service Communication Towers for Star Lake and Cranberry Lake within the Adirondack Park, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that copies of this resolution be sent to NYS Governor Hochul, Senator Dan Stec, Senator Mark Walczyk, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, Assemblyman Scott Gray, NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) Commissioner Jackie Bray, Adirondack Park Agency Executive Director Barbara Rice, Adirondack Park Agency Board Members and Designees, NYS Association of Counties (NYSAC) Executive Director Stephen Acquario, Adirondack Park Local Government Review Board (APLGRB) Executive Director Gerry Delaney, and Adirondack Association of Towns & Villages (AATV) President Stephen McNally.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 101-2024 Entitled “Supporting Emergency Service Communication Towers for Star Lake and Cranberry Lake in the Adirondack Park”, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

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Operations Committee: 3-11-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 102-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH NYS DIVISION  
OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES OFFICE OF  
INTEROPERABLE AND EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS FOR A  
FY23 STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS FORMULA  
GRANT AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Office of Interoperable and Emergency Communications has awarded a grant of \$798,892 to the Office of Emergency Services which concentrates on improving interoperability and operability of communication systems in New York State with a contract period of January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2025,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Office of Interoperable and Emergency Communications for a FY23 Statewide Interoperable Communications Formula Grant, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget for the Office of Emergency Services, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

X2Z36402 25000 23SI	OHS FY23 SICG Technical Equipment	\$648,892
X2Z36404 43007 23SI	OHS FY23 SICG Other Fees & Services	<u>150,000</u>
		\$798,892

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

X2Z33895 56000 SI	SI State Aid	\$798,892
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any remaining funds will be rolled over to future budgets until the grant is fully expended.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 102-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract With NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Office of Interoperable and Emergency Communications for a FY23 Statewide Interoperable Communications Formula Grant and Modifying the 2024 Budget for Emergency Services", adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 3-11-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 103-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH NEW YORK STATE  
OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY FOR A FY23 PSAP GRANT AND  
MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Division of Homeland Security and the Office of Emergency Services has awarded a grant of \$209,055 to the Office of Emergency Services to provide funds to cover salaries that enhance PSAP operations with a contract period of January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, this FY23 PSAP Grant provides St. Lawrence County funding to reduce the County cost for dispatcher salaries in the 911 Dispatch Center,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with New York State Office of Homeland Security for a FY23 PSAP grant, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget for Emergency Services as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

X2Z36401 11000 PSAP	X CD Direct Service Worker PSAP	\$209,055
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

X2Z33895 56000 PSAP	X PSAP State Aid	\$209,055
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 103-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with New York State Office of Homeland Security for a FY23 PSAP Grant and Modifying the 2024 Budget for Emergency Services", adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

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Operations Committee: 3-11-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 104-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT  
WITH AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB COMPANION ANIMAL RECOVERY  
CORPORATION FOR A PET DISASTER RELIEF UNIT TO BE UTILIZED BY  
ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ANIMAL RESPONSE TEAM**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County Animal Response Team (CART) will manage and coordinate, or assist in coordinating, local animal response activities through the use of established animal protection and support organizations, processes, and procedures under the direction of the St. Lawrence County Office of Emergency Services, and

**WHEREAS**, CART has received sponsorship from American Kennel Club member, St. Lawrence Valley Dog Club, who have raised funds in an amount equal to a portion of the total cost of the Pet Disaster Relief Unit (PDRU) (towable trailer) at no cost to the County, and

**WHEREAS**, a grant in the form of a Pet Disaster Relief Unit (PDRU) and supplies have been awarded to the Office of Emergency Services with a contract period beginning upon delivery of the PDRU and will remain in effect until the PDRU is no longer usable, as determined by AKC REUNITE, and

**WHEREAS**, the PDRU will be utilized by CART in the event of a natural or man-made emergency or disaster that requires the protection and support of displaced pets and service animals, and will be displayed at community events a minimum of two times per year,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with American Kennel Club Companion Animal Recovery Corporation for a Pet Disaster Relief Unit to be utilized by St. Lawrence County Animal Response Team, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE        )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 104-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with American Kennel Club Companion Animal Recovery Corporation for a Pet Disaster Relief Unit to be Utilized by St. Lawrence County Animal Response Team", adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

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Operations Committee: 3-11-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 105-2024

**PROCLAIMING EARTH DAY IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators has traditionally emphasized the preservation and improvement of the quality of the natural and the man-made environment within the County, and

**WHEREAS**, April 22, 2024 marks the 54<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Earth Day, and since 1970 Earth Day has increased awareness of the planet we live on, pollution, climate change, endangered species, and many other environmental issues, and

**WHEREAS**, since its establishment by the Board of Legislators in 1971 the Environmental Management Council (EMC) has worked to advise the Board of Legislators about, and to foster public understanding of, environmental matters affecting the County, and

**WHEREAS**, in conjunction with "Earth Day", the EMC will encourage public participation in environmentally responsible activities and educational programs,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators proclaims April 22, 2024 to be Earth Day in St. Lawrence County, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators does hereby encourage all persons throughout the County to participate in programs and activities, on Earth Day and throughout the year, that promote a healthy environment in conjunction with a stronger economy, and that improve awareness about the interactions between people and the environment.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 105-2024 Entitled "Proclaiming Earth Day in St. Lawrence County", adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

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Operations Committee: 3-11-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 106-2024

**PROCLAIMING APRIL 2024 AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, April 11, 1968, marked the signing of the Fair Housing Act into law, which proclaims a national policy of equal housing opportunity for all citizens without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status or disability, and

**WHEREAS**, since the Board of Legislators established the St. Lawrence County Fair Housing Task Force in 1991, the Task Force has implemented a variety of activities to promote equal access to housing for all persons without regard to race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status, disability (physical or mental), creed, age, sexual orientation, marital status, or military status, and

**WHEREAS**, the Task Force co-sponsored two Fair Housing workshops with CNY Fair Housing on March 25<sup>th</sup> to raise public awareness about Fair Housing requirements for landlords, property managers, and tenants,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators proclaims April 2024 as Fair Housing Month, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators reaffirms its commitment to promote equal housing so that all County residents are given the opportunity to live in safe, decent housing of their choice.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 106-2024 Entitled "Proclaiming April 2024 as Fair Housing Month", adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 3-11-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 107-2024

**DECLARING APRIL SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS MONTH**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the month of April has been designated Sexual Assault Awareness Month (SAAM) in the United States, and

**WHEREAS**, the goal of SAAM is to raise public awareness about sexual violence and to educate communities and individuals on how to prevent sexual violence, and

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 Sexual Assault Awareness Month Campaign theme, *Building Connected Communities*, helps us reduce the likelihood of sexual abuse, assault, and harassment in our communities, and

**WHEREAS**, community creates a sense of belonging and reminds us of how our beliefs, choices, and actions impact one another. Any space where people come together is a community, whether in neighborhoods, workplaces, campuses, organizations, or even online spaces. We are all part of a community, even when we may feel disconnected or apart from them. At the center of *building connected communities* is ensuring our communities are safe, inclusive, and equitable. Racism, sexism, classism, heterosexism, ageism, ableism, and other forms of oppression contribute to higher rates of sexual harassment, assault, and abuse. We must address all abuses of power to prevent sexual violence – in our relationships, communities and society, and

**WHEREAS**, we recognize that how we talk about sexual violence significantly impacts survivors, their families, our communities, and society. We also understand that our voices have power and that when one of us does not feel safe or respected, we are all affected. As such, we must strive to create strong, connected communities that take care of one another and make decisions to ensure the safety and well-being of others, to end sexual violence, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence Valley Renewal House provides St. Lawrence County with services which range from prevention, crisis intervention, counseling, and advocacy, including a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Program, and

**WHEREAS**, through the month of April, events are planned in St. Lawrence County to highlight Sexual Assault Awareness Month,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators declare April Sexual Assault Awareness Month, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators encourages all citizens of the County to join advocates and communities across the country in playing an active role to raise awareness to help prevent sexual assault.



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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 107-2024 Entitled “Declaring April Sexual Assault Awareness Month”, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 3-11-2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 108-2024**

**APPROVAL OF BAD DEBT WRITE OFF FOR THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 87-2014 authorized the Chair to sign a contract with Falcon Recovery Systems, LLC for St. Lawrence County in an effort to consolidate collection work under one contract, and

**WHEREAS**, although the amount owed is written off, the amount due is placed in the file of the client in an effort to collect payment should they return for services in the future, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2022 bad debt accounts were \$5,864.75 for Drug Testing Fees and \$5,189 for Supervision Fees, for a total of \$11,053.75, written off last year by Resolution No. 85-2023, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2023 bad debt accounts from 2016, 6 years uncollectible, were \$3,464 for Drug Testing Fees and \$2,243.55 for Supervision Fees, for a total of \$5,707.55, and

**WHEREAS**, while the write offs assist with the accounting aspects of operations, collection efforts will continue,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators approves the bad debt write offs for the Probation Department, as follows:

**DECREASE CONTRA ASSET ACCOUNT:**

01TG0389 501Q0	T Allowance for Receivables Probation	\$5,708
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**DECREASE ASSET ACCOUNT:**

01TG0380 501Q0	T Q Accounts Receivable	\$5,708
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STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE        )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 108-2024 Entitled "Approval of Bad Debt Write Off for the Probation Department", adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 3-11-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 109-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CUSTOMER SUPPORT AGREEMENT  
WITH SADA SYSTEMS, INC. FOR GOOGLE WORKSPACE LICENSES AND  
MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County entered into an agreement to use Google Workspace on a limited basis after an extended testing period, and

**WHEREAS**, the Information Technology (IT) Department has found a number of additional uses to extend the functionality of this platform within County government, and

**WHEREAS**, it is the intention of the IT Department to offer this collaborative platform to more County leadership (40 licenses) in 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, SADA Systems, Inc. is a Google Cloud Premier Partner and offers not only NYS Contract pricing but significant value in its implementation expertise,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a customer support agreement with SADA Systems, Inc. for Google Workspace Licenses, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for Information Technology, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$5,200
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

CD016804 42004	C IT Computer Software	\$5,200
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 109-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Customer Support Agreement with SADA Systems, Inc. for Google Workspace Licenses and Modifying the 2024 Budget for Information Technology", adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 3-11-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 110-2024

**ADVOCATING FOR THE ADOPTION OF FARM-FRIENDLY POLICIES  
WITHIN THE STATE OF NEW YORK**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Smithers, District 5

**WHEREAS**, the State of New York, by way of New York State Attorney General Letitia James has commenced litigation against the US arm of JBS, the largest meatpacker in the world, accusing the Brazilian company of misleading customers over its climate goals, including a plan to reach net zero carbon neutral standards by 2040, and

**WHEREAS**, New York Attorney General James, filed the suit alleging that JBS USA had repeatedly assured the public and consumers with sustainability claims that could, in effect, “provide environmentally conscious consumers with a license to eat beef,” and

**WHEREAS**, Attorney General James has stated the company’s “environmental greenwashing exploits the pocketbooks of everyday Americans and the promise of a healthy planet for future generations”, and

**WHEREAS**, the lawsuit claims, JBS “has had no viable plan to meet its commitment to be net zero by 2040,” and

**WHEREAS**, JBS has claimed that it can reduce its carbon footprint despite plans to increase meat production, and

**WHEREAS**, JBS is not the only company in the market who has made such claims but is the first (and only so far) company to be prosecuted by the State of New York with respect to such claims, and

**WHEREAS**, JBS is the leading beef producer in the world, with operations in the United States, Australia and Canada, and has the capacity to process more than 200,000 cattle, 500,000 hogs and 45 million chickens a week in the US alone, and

**WHEREAS**, the actions by the New York State Attorney General are the latest in a string of limitations, restrictions, and regulations that have been employed against New York Farmers, as well as farm suppliers in New York markets, and consumers of farm goods in New York State, over the course of the last five years, and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department Of Agriculture released its latest Agriculture Census in February of 2024, revealing a 9% drop in family farms in New York State — the steepest drop in the last three decades, and

**WHEREAS**, the recent 2022 census shows a loss of more than 2,800 farms in New York State with a loss of 364,000 acres of farmland over the past five years, and

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**WHEREAS**, the main industry taking this loss is the dairy industry, the primary agrarian industry in St. Lawrence County, seeing a decrease of nearly 1,900 farms, and

**WHEREAS**, according to Steve Ammerman, New York Farm Bureau communications director, the drop in the number of farms is directly attributable to increased costs and commodity prices, driven by increasing market regulation, cost of operation, and restrictions imposed by the government, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2023, modifications made by New York State to overtime payments required for seasonal farm workers, resulted in the of labor increasing, wage rates increasing, and farmers facing challenges with the overtime threshold implemented by the State, and

**WHEREAS**, the trend of shuttered farms will continue unless some things change policy-wise in the state and the country, and

**WHEREAS**, increasing opportunities for new farmers, looking at imports at the state level, and improving trade relations can help opportunities for growth, and

**WHEREAS**, commencing lawsuits against agrarian industries, which run in tandem with increased regulations and restrictions, will naturally increase the expense of operation of farming operations in New York State, which will in turn lead to increased consumer costs and increased numbers of farming operations closing down,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators advocates for the adoption of Farm-Friendly Policies within the State of New York, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators urges the State of New York to adopt farm-friendly policies by abandoning restrictive regulations, litigation practices, and employment restrictions in an effort to enforce climate objectives, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Mark Walczyk, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, and Assemblyman Scott Gray.

STATE OF NEW YORK )  
 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 110-2024 Entitled “Advocating for the Adoption of Farm-Friendly Policies within the State of New York”, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 3-11-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 111-2024

**PROCLAIMING APRIL 21-27, 2024, AS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER  
APPRECIATION WEEK IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Hull, District 8

**WHEREAS**, celebrating National Volunteer Week provides an opportunity to applaud the impact volunteers make, and to recognize those who lend their time, talent, and voices to make a difference in their communities, and

**WHEREAS**, this week highlights the importance of every volunteer and each contribution made at a time when support is needed more than ever, and

**WHEREAS**, the sharing of time, skill, empathy, and creativity of an individual is vital to the inclusivity, strength, and well-being of a community, and St. Lawrence County is very fortunate to have many citizens who take time out of their busy lives to volunteer, and

**WHEREAS**, having volunteers is fundamental for our County to meet some challenging moments contributing exponentially to the quality of life we all strive for in St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators wishes to thank all its volunteers, including, but not limited to, those who assist in the Nutrition Program each week serving older adults, all the volunteer firefighters and EMS personnel, volunteer drivers, and everyone who donates their time and efforts to serve, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators encourages all citizens to embrace the spirit of giving, engage in acts of kindness, and contribute to their communities, and more importantly to recognize and applaud individuals who make a difference each day with their selfless actions of volunteerism,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators proclaiming April 21-27, 2024, as National Volunteer Appreciation Week in St. Lawrence County.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 111-2024 Entitled "Proclaiming April 21-27, 2024, as National Volunteer Appreciation Week in St. Lawrence County", adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

Services Committee: 3-18-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 112-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH COORDINATED CARE SERVICES, INC. FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE 2023 CONSOLIDATED FISCAL REPORT AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Community Services has a requirement to report to the State annually, and has recognized the need for assistance in preparing the 2023 Consolidated Fiscal Report (CFR), and

**WHEREAS**, Community Services is currently without a designated Local Government Unit (LGU) fiscal staff, and

**WHEREAS**, Coordinated Care Services, Inc. (CCSI) provides support in behavioral health and human services, specifically in financial reporting, claiming, and budgeting for many counties and providers, and

**WHEREAS**, CCSI would assist in the preparation of 2023 CFR, and the rate is \$110 per hour, not to exceed \$20,000 (01TG0691 502A1), and

**WHEREAS**, if approved, the Department will be utilizing revenue from unrestricted DSRIP funds to pay for this work to be completed,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Coordinated Care Services, Inc. for the preparation of the 2023 Consolidated Fiscal Report, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget for Community Services, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

A3143204 43007 DSRP	A DSRP Other Fees and Services	\$20,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

A3134905 56000 DSRP	A DSRP Mental Health	\$20,000
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 112-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Coordinated Care Services, Inc. for the Preparation of the 2023 Consolidated Fiscal Report and Modifying the 2024 Budget for Community Services”, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024



April 1, 2024

Services Committee: 3-18-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 113-2024

**APPROVAL OF RATES FOR RELATED SERVICES FOR THE  
PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department engages the services of several individuals and agencies to provide Preschool Special Education Program needs, and

**WHEREAS**, the rates paid to providers for Related Services (PK040504 47700) are set by the County and reflect cost from the agency providing services,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators approves the following rates for Related Services for the Preschool Special Education Program for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025:

<u>Service:</u>	<u>Maximum Rate per Half Hour:</u>
Audiology	\$75
Counseling	\$64
Teacher of Hearing Impaired	\$58
Occupational Therapy	\$69
Physical Therapy	\$61
Speech Therapy	\$63
Group Rates (OT, PT, ST – per child)	\$45
Teacher of Visually Impaired	\$50
1:1 Aide	\$14
Interpreter	\$16
Teaching Assistant	\$15
Psychological Services	\$60
1:1 Medical Aide	\$17
Orientation & Mobility	\$66
Parent Training	\$64
School Health Services/Nurse	\$55
School Social Work	\$64
Coordination 2 or more related services	\$64
Assisted Technology Service	\$54
Nutritional Services Home Visit	\$60

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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 113-2024 Entitled “Approval of Rates for Related Services for the Preschool Special Education Program”, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

Services Committee: 3-18-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 114-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS FOR SERVICES  
FOR THE PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM IN THE  
PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department engages the services of several individuals and agencies to provide services for the Preschool Special Education Program, and

**WHEREAS**, the Preschool Special Education Program Contracts cover the following services: Center-Based Program (PK040504 46502), Special Education Itinerant Teacher (SEIT) (PK040504 47700), Evaluation (PK040504 48600) at rates set by the New York State Education Department, and Related Services (PK040504 47700) at rates set by St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, the terms of the contracts cover the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign contracts for services for the Preschool Special Education Program in the Public Health Department, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 114-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign Contracts for Services for the Preschool Special Education Program in the Public Health Department", adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

Services Committee: 3-18-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 115-2024

**PROCLAIMING APRIL 1-7 AS NATIONAL PUBLIC HEALTH WEEK  
WITH THE 2024 THEME OF “PROTECTING, CONNECTING, AND THRIVING:  
WE ARE ALL PUBLIC HEALTH”**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department is observing National Public Health Week, and is becoming part of a growing movement to create the healthiest nation in one generation, and

**WHEREAS**, rural communities face a range of health disparities, from higher burdens of chronic disease to limited access to primary care and prevention services, and

**WHEREAS**, compared to people living in urban areas, rural Americans face a greater risk of death from the five leading causes of death – heart disease, cancer, unintentional injury, chronic lower respiratory disease and stroke, and

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 National Public Health Week will celebrate the role of collaboration, cooperation and partnership in improving public health, and will bring together public health workers, students, organizations and communities around the theme of “Protecting, Connecting and Thriving: We Are All Public Health,” and

**WHEREAS**, Public Health is more than just health care; it includes making sure our neighborhoods and environments are free from pollution and our food and water are safe for consumption, and together we make a difference to the health of our community, and

**WHEREAS**, during the week, the American Public Health Association brings together communities across the United States to observe National Public Health Week as a time to recognize the contributions of public health and highlight issues that are important to improving the health of our nation,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators proclaims April 1-7, 2024, as National Public Health Week.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 115-2024 Entitled “Proclaiming April 1-7 as National Public Health Week with the 2024 Theme of “Protecting, Connecting, and Thriving: We Are All Public Health””, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

Services Committee: 3-18-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 116-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR PUBLIC HEALTH FOR FUNDING RECEIVED  
FROM COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR THE OASAS OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Community Services received funding from the OASAS Opioid Settlement Funding, and

**WHEREAS**, Public Health has been approved to receive \$56,000 in funding from St. Lawrence County Community Services to address the opioid epidemic in the community, and

**WHEREAS**, this funding will be used for interventions, such as to increase access to Naloxone and Fentanyl test strips for community members at high-risk of experiencing an overdose, to provide education on substance use disorder, overdose prevention, stigma, and mental health, and to conduct local harm reduction promotion media campaigns,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for Public Health for funding received from Community Services for the OASAS Opioid Settlement Funds, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

PPZ40101 11000 OSF	P OSF Direct Service Workers	\$9,244
PPZ40101 41901 OSF	P OSF Central Printing	500
PPZ40104 41902 OSF	P OSF Commercial Printing	4,200
PPZ40104 42402 OSF	P OSF I/D Postage	2,500
PPZ40104 43005 OSF	P OSF Advertising Fees & Expenses	23,000
PPZ40104 43007 OSF	P OSF Other Fees & Services	7,800
PPZ40104 44500 OSF	P OSF Other Travel Reimbursement	4,000
PPZ40108 81000 OSF	P OSF Retirement	1,030
PPZ40108 83000 OSF	P OSF Social Security	638
PPZ40108 84000 OSF	P OSF Workers Compensation	230
PPZ40108 84500 OSF	P OSF Group Life Insurance	17
PPZ40108 86000 OSF	P OSF Hospital & Medical Insurance	2,697
PPZ40108 86500 OSF	P OSF Dental Insurance	108
PPZ40108 89000 OSF	P OSF Vision Insurance	36
		<u>\$56,000</u>

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

PPZ27705 55000 OSF	P OSF Local Revenue	\$56,000
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 116-2024 Entitled “Modifying the 2024 Budget for Public Health for Funding Received from Community Services for the OASAS Opioid Settlement Funds”, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

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Services Committee: 3-18-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 117-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
FOR EPIDEMIOLOGY AND LABORATORY CAPACITY (ELC) COVID-19  
ENHANCED DETECTION**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Health Research Inc./New York State Department of Health (HRI/NYSDOH) will be awarding funding to local health departments (LHDs) for enhanced detection, surveillance and prevention of COVID-19, based on county populations plus a supplemental award based on percent of COVID-19 cases, and

**WHEREAS**, this funding is part of a Center for Disease Control (CDC) sponsored cooperative agreement for Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC), CFDS# 93.323, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 257-2020 authorized the original contract for a two-year period ending June 30, 2022, and Resolution No. 82-2022 extended the contract to March 31, 2023, and Resolution No. 381-2022 extended the contract to December 31, 2023, (PPZ44895 57000 CVD), and this amendment would extend the contract through July 31, 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, on December 20, 2021, Governor Kathy Hochul announced that she is making funding available to counties across New York State to help with costs associated with administering vaccines and boosters and enforcing the mask-or-vaccine mandate for indoor public places, and

**WHEREAS**, the supplemental funding will be expended on the hiring of permanent and temporary staff to assist with POD activities, POD clinic supplies, conducting public education/awareness campaigns and outreach on mask or vaccine protocols, staff mileage to travel to POD sites, triaging inquires or complaints to partner entities and collaborating on mitigation activities, wrap around services, and deliverables to cover MPOX response along with COVID-19 activities,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for Public Health for Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) COVID-19 enhanced detection, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

PPZ40101 11000 CVD	P ELC CVD Direct Service Worker	\$74,690
PPZ40104 42004 CVD	P ELC CVD Computer Software	11,000
PPZ40104 43007 CVD	P ELC CVD Other Fees and Services	18,798
PPZ40108 81000 CVD	Retirement	5,971

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PPZ40108 83000 CVD	Social Security	3,000
PPZ40108 84000 CVD	Workers' Compensation	<u>1,135</u>
		\$114,594

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

PPZ44895 57000 CVD	P ELC CVD Federal Aid	\$114,594
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 117-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Public Health Department for Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) COVID-19 Enhanced Detection", adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024



April 1, 2024

Finance Committee: 3-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 118-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH  
PAINTCARE NEW YORK LLC FOR PAINT DISPOSAL**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Solid Waste Department is committed to facilitating safe and responsible disposal of solid waste, and

**WHEREAS**, the Solid Waste Department recognizes the potential hazards associated with improper paint disposal, including environmental contamination and health risks, and

**WHEREAS**, DANC has partnered with PaintCare for the collection and disposal of paint, and

**WHEREAS**, PaintCare is a non-profit organization established to collect and responsibly manage leftover, unwanted, or expired paint, and

**WHEREAS**, DANC has requested St. Lawrence County provide a drop off area within the County for one (1) day per month, and

**WHEREAS**, the Highway facility, located at 44 Park Street, Canton, has been selected, and DANC will be providing staff to collect the paint at no cost to the County,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair an agreement with PaintCare New York LLC for paint disposal, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE        )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 118-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement with Paintcare New York LLC for Paint Disposal”, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

Finance Committee: 3-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 119-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF  
OGDENSBURG FOR SEPTAGE/LEACHATE RECEIVING SERVICES**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ogdensburg operates a Wastewater Treatment Plant with the capacity to receive and treat septage/leachate, and

**WHEREAS**, the Solid Waste Department collects and transports septage/leachate from the closed Ogdensburg landfill, and

**WHEREAS**, the City agrees to allow the Solid Waste Department to discharge septage/leachate at the Waste Water Treatment Plant for treatment and disposal, and

**WHEREAS**, the Solid Waste Department will pay the City of Ogdensburg a sum based upon the volume of septage/leachate delivered, and

**WHEREAS**, for fiscal year 2024, the City of Ogdensburg will charge a fee of \$0.10 per gallon of septage/leachate received (WH081604 43018 LEAC), and

**WHEREAS**, this will be an annual agreement with automatic renewals and an opt-out option for the County and City,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an agreement with City of Ogdensburg for Septage/Leachate Receiving Services, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 119-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement with the City of Ogdensburg for Septage/Leachate Receiving Services", adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

Finance Committee: 3-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 120-2024

**ADOPTING LOCAL LAW B (NO.   ) FOR THE YEAR 2024,  
“RESCINDING ALL PREVIOUS ETHICS LAWS AND AMENDMENTS  
AND ADOPTING THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ETHICS LAW”**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Legislators of St. Lawrence County as follows:

Section 1. The adoption of this local law is intended to replace any and all laws and amendments previously adopted by the Board of Legislators relating to the Code of Ethics in St. Lawrence County.

Section 2. This local law shall take effect upon filing in the Office of the Secretary of State.

Section 3. The Board of Legislators adopts the following Ethics law:

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY CODE OF ETHICS**

- ARTICLE 1. PURPOSE
- ARTICLE 2. DEFINITIONS
- ARTICLE 3. APPLICABILITY
- ARTICLE 4. PROHIBITION ON USE OF MUNICIPAL POSITION FOR PERSONAL OR PRIVATE GAIN
- ARTICLE 5. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST IN LEGISLATION AND OTHER MATTERS
- ARTICLE 6. RECUSAL AND ABSTENTION
- ARTICLE 7. PROHIBITION INAPPLICABLE; DISCLOSURE, RECUSAL AND ABSTENTION NOT REQUIRED
- ARTICLE 8. INVESTMENTS IN CONFLICT WITH OFFICIAL DUTIES
- ARTICLE 9. PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT IN CONFLICT WITH OFFICIAL DUTIES
- ARTICLE 10. FUTURE EMPLOYMENT
- ARTICLE 11. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIONS AND CLAIMS PERMITTED
- ARTICLE 12. USE OF MUNICIPAL RESOURCES
- ARTICLE 13. INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS
- ARTICLE 14. NEPOTISM
- ARTICLE 15. POLITICAL SOLICITATIONS
- ARTICLE 16. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION
- ARTICLE 17. GIFTS
- ARTICLE 18. BOARD OF ETHICS
- ARTICLE 19. ADVISORY OPINIONS
- ARTICLE 20. POSTING AND DISTRIBUTION
- ARTICLE 21. ENFORCEMENT
- ARTICLE 22. ANNUAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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ARTICLE 23. DESIGNATION OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES REQUIRED TO FILE  
ANNUAL FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

ARTICLE 24. MAINTENANCE AND USE OF FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

ARTICLE 25. EFFECTIVE DATE

ARTICLE 1. PURPOSE

Officers and employees of St. Lawrence County hold their positions to serve and benefit the public, not for obtaining unwarranted personal or private gain in the exercise and performance of their official powers and duties. In recognition of this fundamental principle, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators recognizes there is a need for clear and reasonable standards of ethical conduct. This code of ethics establishes those standards.

ARTICLE 2. DEFINITIONS

- (aa) “Agency” means any of the divisions of County government, except the Legislature.
- (bb) “Appointed Official” means any individual who is appointed by the Chair of the Board of Legislators or the County Legislature to any agency, institution, department, office, branch, division, council, commission, board or bureau, whether paid or unpaid.
- (cc) “Appropriate Body” pursuant to Article 18 of General Municipal Law, means the Board of Ethics of the County of St. Lawrence.
- (dd) “Board” means the governing board of a municipality and any municipal administrative board (e.g. planning board, zoning of board of appeals), commission, or other agency or body comprised of two or more municipal officers or employees, excluding advisory bodies with no policy-making function.
- (ee) “Child” means any son, daughter, step-son or step-daughter, natural or adopted of a County Officer, employee or appointed official if such child is under 18 or is a dependent of the officer, employee or appointed official as defined in Internal Revenue Code Section 152(a)(1) and (2), and any amendments thereto.
- (ff) “Code” means this code of ethics.
- (gg) “Confidential Information” means any record or other information in any format that is either: (a.) prohibited by federal or state law from disclosure to the public; or (b.) prohibited from disclosure to the public by local law of the County; or (c) exempt from mandatory disclosure under the New York State Freedom of Information Law (“FOIL”) and the New York State Open Meetings Law.
- (hh) “County” means the County of St. Lawrence or any department, board, executive division, institution, office, branch, bureau, commission, agency, legislature or other division or part thereof.
- (ii) “County Elected Official” means a County Legislator, the County Clerk, the District Attorney, the County Treasurer, the Sheriff or the Coroner.

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- (jj) “Domestic Partner” means a person who is neither married nor related by blood or marriage to the County officer or employee, and is the County officer or employee’s sole spousal equivalent; lives together with the County Officer or employee in the same residence and intends to do so indefinitely and is responsible with the County officer or employee for each other’s welfare.
- (kk) “Financial Relationship” an ownership or investment interest in the legal entity or a compensation arrangement with the legal entity
- (ll) “Gift” means anything of value sought or received for less than fair market value, whether in the form of money, service, loan, travel, entertainment, or tickets, or in any other form.
- (mm) “Government” means the St. Lawrence County Legislature, and includes all of its agencies, offices, departments, divisions, bureaus, boards, administrations, authorities, corporations, councils, commissions, and other units.
- (nn) “Interest” means a direct or indirect financial or material benefit, but does not include any benefit arising from the provision or receipt of any services generally available to the residents or taxpayers of the municipality or an area of the municipality, or a lawful class of such residents or taxpayers. A municipal officer or employee is deemed to have an interest in any private organization when he or she, his or her spouse, or a member of his or her household, is an owner, partner, member, director, officer, employee, or directly or indirectly owns or controls more than five percent (5%) of outstanding stock of the organization.
- (oo) “Jurisdiction” shall mean having the authority, capacity, power or right to act with regard to the management and administration of policy and supervision of personnel of the County agency (as defined above at Article 2, Section 1) in which she or he is an officer, employee or appointed official (as defined above at Article 2, Sections 2 and 6).
- (pp) “Legislation” means a matter which appears upon the calendar or agenda of the Legislature of St. Lawrence County or upon a committee hereof upon which any official action has been taken and shall include adopted acts, local laws, ordinances or resolutions.
- (qq) “Major campaign contributor” of a County officer or employee means any individual or entity that has made, in the aggregate during the preceding 24 months, contributions of \$1,000 or more for the election of the County officer or employee to any public office.
- (rr) “Ministerial act” means an administrative act, including the issuance of a license, permit, or other permission by the government, which is carried out in a prescribed manner and which does not involve substantial personal discretion.
- (ss) “Municipality” means St. Lawrence County. The word “municipal” refers to the municipality.
- (tt) “Municipal officer or employee” means a paid or unpaid officer or employee of St. Lawrence County, including, but not limited to, the members of any municipal board.

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- (uu) “Officer” or “employee” means any officer or employee of the County of St. Lawrence. It also includes elected officials, appointed officials and heads of any agency, institution, department, office, branch, division, council, commission, board or bureau of the County of St. Lawrence, whether paid or unpaid, who occupy a policy making position.
- (vv) “Policy-Making position” A position in County government shall be considered a policy-making position if it meets the following criteria, based either on the powers and duties of the position as set forth in the job description or any applicable law or regulation, or based on the actual duties performed by the person holding that position:
- (1) the position has been determined to be managerial pursuant to Civil Service Law §201(7); because the occupant formulates policy or;
  - (2) the position is in the non-competitive class under §2.2 of the rules and regulations of the New York State Department of Civil Service and it is designated by the County Civil Service Commissioner as a position which requires the performance of functions influencing policy, or
  - (3) the position is in the non-competitive class under §2.2 of the rules and regulations of the New York State Department of Civil Service and it is designated by the County Civil Service Commissioner as a position which requires the performance of functions influencing policy, or
  - (4) the person holding the position exercise responsibilities of a broad scope in the formulation of plans for the implementation of goals or policy for a county agency acts as an advisor to an individual in such a position, and
  - (5) Officers and employees holding the position have discretionary authority with respect to;
    - (vi) Contracts, leases, franchises, revocable consents, concessions, variances, special permits, or licenses; or
    - (vii) The purchase, sale, rental or lease of real property, personal property, or services or a contract therefore; or
    - (viii) The obtaining of grants of money or loans; or
    - (ix) Inspections; or
    - (x) The adoption or repeal of any rule or regulation having the force and effect of law.
- (ww) “Political Activity” doing something in active support of or opposition of a political party or a candidate for partisan political office or a partisan political group.
- (xx) “Relative” means a spouse, parent, step-parent, sibling, step-sibling, sibling’s spouse, child, step-child, adoptive child, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, first cousin, or household member of a municipal officer or employee, and individuals having any of these relationships to the spouse of the officer or employee.
- (yy) “Spouse” means the husband or wife of an officer, employee or appointed official subject to the provisions of this Local Law unless legally separated from such officer, employee or appointed official.

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- (zz) “Subordinate” means a County officer or employee the work of whom one has the authority to directly or indirectly control or direct, whether or not the two officers or employees stand in a direct reporting relationship to one another.

### ARTICLE 3.                   APPLICABILITY

This code of ethics applies to the officers and employees of the St. Lawrence County government, and shall supersede any prior municipal code of ethics. The provisions of this code of ethics shall apply in addition to all applicable State and local laws relating to conflicts of interest and ethics including, but not limited to, Article 18 of the General Municipal Law and all rules, regulations, policies and procedures of the St. Lawrence County.

### ARTICLE 4.                   PROHIBITION ON USE OF MUNICIPAL POSITION FOR PERSONAL OR PRIVATE GAIN

No municipal officer or employee shall use his or her municipal position or official authority and duties to secure a financial or material benefit for himself or herself, a relative, or any private organization in which he or she is deemed to have an interest.

### ARTICLE 5.                   DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST IN LEGISLATION AND OTHER MATTERS

- (d) Whenever a matter requiring the exercise of discretion comes before a municipal officer or employee, either individually or as a member of a board, and disposition of the matter could result in a direct or indirect financial or material benefit to himself or herself, a relative, or any private organization in which he or she is deemed to have an interest, the municipal officer or employee shall disclose in writing the nature of the interest.
- (e) The disclosure shall be made when the matter requiring disclosure first comes before the municipal officer or employee, or when the municipal officer or employee first acquires knowledge of the interest requiring disclosure, whichever is earlier.
- (f) In the case of a person serving in an elective office, the disclosure shall be filed with the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators. In all other cases, the disclosure shall be filed with the person’s supervisor or, if the person does not have a supervisor, the disclosure shall be filed with the municipal officer, employee or board having the power to appoint to the person’s position. In addition, in the case of a person serving as an appointee on a municipal board, a copy of the disclosure shall be filed with the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators. Any disclosure made to a board shall be made publicly at a meeting of the appropriate board and must be included in the minutes of the meeting.

### ARTICLE 6.                   RECUSAL AND ABSTENTION

- (c) No municipal officer or employee may participate in any decision or take any official action with respect to any matter requiring the exercise of discretion, including discussing the matter and voting on it, when he or she knows or has reason to know that the action could confer a direct or indirect financial or material benefit on himself or herself, a relative, or any private organization in which he or she is deemed to have an interest.

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- (d) In the event that this section prohibits a municipal officer or employee from exercising or performing a power or duty:
  - (4) if the power or duty is vested in a municipal officer as a member of a board, then the power or duty shall be exercised or performed by the other members of the board;
  - (5) if the power or duty that is vested in a municipal officer individually, then the power or duty shall be exercised or performed by his or her deputy or, if the officer does not have a deputy, the power or duty shall be performed by another person to whom the officer may lawfully delegate the function; or
  - (6) if the power or duty is vested in a municipal employee, he or she must refer the matter to his or her immediate supervisor, and the immediate supervisor shall designate another person to exercise or perform the power or duty.

ARTICLE 7.                    PROHIBITION INAPPLICABLE; DISCLOSURE, RECUSAL AND  
ABSTENTION NOT REQUIRED

- (c) This code's prohibition on use of a municipal position (section 4), disclosure requirements (section 5), and requirements relating to recusal and abstention (section 6), shall not apply with respect to the following matters:
  - (4) adoption of the municipality's annual budget;
  - (5) any matter requiring the exercise of discretion that directly affects any of the following groups of people or a lawful class of such groups:
    - (iv) all municipal officers or employees;
    - (v) all residents or taxpayers of the municipality or an area of the municipality; or
    - (vi) the general public.
  - (6) any matter that does not require the exercise of discretion.
- (d) Recusal and abstention shall not be required with respect to any matter:
  - (3) which comes before a board when a majority of the board's total membership would otherwise be prohibited from acting by section 6 of this code; or
  - (4) which comes before a municipal officer when the officer would be prohibited from acting by section 6 of this code and the matter cannot be lawfully delegated to another person.

ARTICLE 8.                    INVESTMENTS IN CONFLICT WITH OFFICIAL DUTIES

- (c) No municipal officer or employee may acquire the following investments:
  - (3) investments that can be reasonably expected to require more than sporadic recusal and abstention under section 6 of this code; or
  - (4) investments that would otherwise impair the independence of judgment of the person in the exercise or performance of his or her official powers and duties.
- (d) This section does not prohibit a municipal officer or employee from acquiring any other investments or the following assets:



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- (4) real property located within the municipality and used as his or her personal residence;
- (5) less than five percent of the stock of a publicly traded corporation; or
- (6) bonds or notes issued by the municipality and acquired more than one year after the date on which the bonds or notes were originally issued.

ARTICLE 9.                    PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT IN CONFLICT WITH OFFICIAL DUTIES

No municipal officer or employee, during his or her tenure as a municipal officer or employee, may engage in any private employment, including the rendition of any business, commercial, professional or other types of services, when the employment:

- (e) can be reasonably expected to require more than sporadic recusal and abstention pursuant to section 6 of this code;
- (f) can be reasonably expected to require disclosure or use of confidential information gained by reason of serving as a municipal officer or employee;
- (g) violates section 805-a(1)(c) or (d) of the General Municipal Law; or
- (h) requires representation of a person or organization other than the municipality in connection with litigation, negotiations or any other matter to which the municipality is a party.

ARTICLE 10.                FUTURE EMPLOYMENT

- (d) No municipal officer or employee may ask for, pursue, or accept a private post-government employment opportunity with any person or organization that has a matter requiring the exercise of discretion pending before the municipal officer or employee, either individually or as a member of a board, while the matter is pending or within the 30 days following final disposition of the matter.
- (e) No municipal officer or employee, for the two-year period after serving as a municipal officer or employee, may represent or render services to a private person or organization in connection with any matter involving the exercise of discretion before the municipal office, board, department or comparable organizational unit for which he or she serves.
- (f) No municipal officer or employee, at any time after serving as a municipal officer or employee, may represent or render services to a private person or organization in connection with any particular transaction in which he or she personally and substantially participated while serving as a municipal officer or employee.

ARTICLE 11.                PERSONAL REPRESENTATIONS AND CLAIMS PERMITTED

This code shall not be construed as prohibiting a municipal officer or employee from:

- (c) representing himself or herself, or his or her spouse or minor children before the municipality; or
- (d) asserting a claim against the municipality on his or her own behalf, or on behalf of his or her spouse or minor children.

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ARTICLE 12.           USE OF MUNICIPAL RESOURCES

- (d) Municipal resources shall be used for lawful municipal purposes. Municipal resources include, but are not limited to, municipal personnel, and the municipality's money, vehicles, equipment, materials, supplies or other property.
- (e) No municipal officer or employee may use or permit the use of municipal resources for personal or private purposes, but this provision shall not be construed as prohibiting:
  - (4) any use of municipal resources authorized by law or municipal policy;
  - (5) the use of municipal resources for personal or private purposes when provided to a municipal officer or employee as part of his or her compensation; or
  - (6) the occasional and incidental use during the business day of municipal telephones and computers for necessary personal matters such as family care and changes in work schedule.
- (f) No municipal officer or employee shall cause the municipality to spend more than is reasonably necessary for transportation, meals or lodging in connection with official travel.

ARTICLE 13.           INTERESTS IN CONTRACTS

- (c) No municipal officer or employee may have an interest in a contract that is prohibited by section 801 of the General Municipal Law.
- (d) Every municipal officer and employee shall disclose interests in contracts with the municipality at the time and in the manner required by section 803 of the General Municipal Law.

ARTICLE 14.           NEPOTISM

Except as otherwise required by law:

- (c) No municipal officer or employee, either individually or as a member of a board, may participate in any decision specifically to appoint, hire, promote, discipline or discharge a relative for any position at, for, or within the municipality or a municipal board.
- (d) No municipal officer or employee may supervise a relative in the performance of the relative's official powers or duties.

ARTICLE 15.           POLITICAL SOLICITATIONS

- (c) No municipal officer or employee shall directly or indirectly compel or induce a subordinate municipal officer or employee to make, or promise to make, any political contribution, whether by gift of money, service or other thing of value.
- (d) No municipal officer or employee may act or decline to act in relation to appointing, hiring or promoting, discharging, disciplining, or in any manner changing the official rank, status or

compensation of any municipal officer or employee, or an applicant for a position as a municipal officer or employee, on the basis of the giving or withholding or neglecting to make any contribution of money or service or any other valuable thing for any political purpose.

ARTICLE 16.                    CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

No municipal officer or employee who acquires confidential information in the course of exercising or performing his or her official powers or duties may disclose or use such information unless the disclosure or use is required by law or in the course of exercising or performing his or her official powers and duties.

ARTICLE 17.                    GIFTS

- (h) No municipal officer or employee shall solicit, accept, or receive a gift in violation of section 805-a(1)(a) of the General Municipal Law as interpreted in this section.
- (i) No municipal officer or employee may directly or indirectly solicit any gift.
- (j) No municipal officer or employee may accept or receive any gift, or multiple gifts from the same donor, having an annual aggregate value of seventy-five dollars or more when:
  - (4) the gift reasonably appears to be intended to influence the officer or employee in the exercise or performance of his or her official powers or duties;
  - (5) the gift could reasonably be expected to influence the officer or employee in the exercise or performance of his or her official powers or duties; or
  - (6) the gift is intended as a reward for any official action on the part of the officer or employee.
- (k) For purposes of this section, a “gift” includes anything of value, whether in the form of money, service, loan, travel, entertainment, hospitality, thing or promise, or in any other form. The value of a gift is the gift’s fair market value, determined by the retail cost of the item or a comparable item. The fair market value of a ticket entitling the holder to food, refreshments, entertainment, or any other benefit is the face value of the ticket, or the actual cost to the donor, whichever is greater. Determination of whether multiple gifts from a single donor exceed seventy-five dollars must be made by adding together the value of all gifts received from the donor by an officer or employee during the twelve-month period preceding the receipt of the most recent gift.
- (l) A gift to a municipal officer or employee is presumed to be intended to influence the exercise or performance of his or her official powers or duties when the gift is from a private person or organization that seeks municipal action involving the exercise of discretion by or with the participation of the officer or employee.
- (m) A gift to a municipal officer or employee is presumed to be intended as a reward for official action when the gift is from a private person or organization that has obtained municipal action involving the exercise of discretion by or with the participation of the officer or employee during the preceding twelve months.

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(n) This section does not prohibit any other gift, including:

- (7) gifts made to the municipality;
- (8) gifts from a person with a family or personal relationship with the officer or employee when the circumstances make it clear that the personal relationship, rather than the recipient's status as a municipal officer or employee, is the primary motivating factor for the gift;
- (9) gifts given on special occasions, such as marriage, illness, or retirement, which are modest, reasonable and customary;
- (10) unsolicited advertising or promotional material of little intrinsic value, such as pens, pencils, note pads, and calendars;
- (11) awards and plaques having a value of seventy-five dollars or less which are publicly presented in recognition of service as a municipal officer or employee, or other service to the community; or
- (12) meals and refreshments provided when a municipal officer or employee is a speaker or participant at a job-related professional or educational conference or program and the meals and refreshments are made available to all participants.

#### ARTICLE 18.           BOARD OF ETHICS

- (c) There is hereby established a Board of Ethics for the municipality. The Board of Ethics shall consist of five members, appointed for a term of four years, a majority of whom shall not be officers or employees of the municipality, but at least one of whom must be a municipal officer or employee. The members of the Board of Ethics shall be appointed by the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority, and receive no salary or compensation for their services as members of the Board of Ethics.
- (d) The Board of Ethics shall render advisory opinions to the officers and employees of St. Lawrence County with respect to Article 18 of the General Municipal Law and this code. Such advisory opinions must be rendered pursuant to the written request of any such officer or employee regarding proposed or performed conduct of the officer or employee or direct subordinate of the officer and employee under such rules and regulations as the Board of Ethics may prescribe. The Board of Ethics shall have the advice of legal counsel employed by the Board, or if none, the legal counsel of the County. If advisory opinions are requested related to the Board of Legislators, separate counsel can be provided to the Board of Ethics. In addition, the Board of Ethics may make recommendations with respect to the drafting and adoption of a code of ethics, or amendments thereto, upon the request of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators.

#### ARTICLE 19.           ADVISORY OPINIONS

- (d) The Board of Ethics shall have authority to render confidential advisory opinions with respect to all matters covered by this law upon the written request of a current, former, or prospective agency, government officer or employee. Advisory opinions shall relate only to the interests, conduct, or actions of the requester or of a subordinate of the requester.
- (e) A current, former, or prospective agency, government officer or employee who acts in conformity with an advisory opinion shall not be subject to penalties or sanctions under this

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law for having so acted, unless the request for the advisory opinion omitted or misstated facts material to the opinion. The Board of Ethics may amend or rescind an advisory opinion at any time upon notice to the agency, officer or employee, provided, however, that the amended advisory opinion shall apply only to future actions of the officer or employee.

- (f) Advisory opinions and requests for advisory opinions shall be indexed and maintained on file by the Board of Ethics. The Board of Ethics shall publish such of its advisory opinions as the Board of Ethics deems beneficial for the guidance of government officers and employees, those doing business with the government, and members of the public, provided, however, that before publishing such advisory opinions the Board of Ethics shall first make such deletions as are necessary to prevent disclosure of the identity of the involved officers and employees.

## ARTICLE 20. POSTING AND DISTRIBUTION

- (f) The St. Lawrence County Administrator must promptly cause a copy of this code, and a copy of any amendment to this code, to be posted publicly and conspicuously in each building under the control of the municipality.
- (g) The code must be posted within ten (10) days following the date on which the code takes effect. An amendment to the code must be posted within ten (10) days following the date on which the amendment takes effect.
- (h) The St. Lawrence County Administrator must promptly cause a copy of this code, including any amendments to the code, to be distributed to every person who is or becomes an officer and employee of the St. Lawrence County.
- (i) Every municipal officer or employee who receives a copy of this code or an amendment to the code must acknowledge such receipt in writing. Such acknowledgments must be filed with the St. Lawrence County Attorney who must maintain such acknowledgments as a public record.
- (j) The failure to post this code or an amendment to the code does not affect either the applicability or enforceability of the code or the amendment. The failure of a municipal officer or employee to receive a copy of this code of ethics or an amendment to the code, or to acknowledge receipt thereof in writing, does not affect either the applicability or enforceability of the code or amendment to the code.

## ARTICLE 21. ENFORCEMENT

Any municipal officer or employee who violates this code may be censured, fined, suspended, or removed from office or employment in the manner provided by law.

## ARTICLE 22. FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

- (c) Officers and employees required to file. The following classes of officers and employees of the government shall be required to file a signed financial disclosure statement on an annual basis:

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- (4) Elected officials;
  - (5) The heads of any agency, department, division, council, board, commission, authority or bureau of the government and their deputies and other persons authorized to act on their behalf who make policy decisions; and
  - (6) Officers and employees including members of boards, commissions and public authorities of the government who hold policymaking positions. All members of advisory boards, advisory councils, and advisory commissions where such advisory commissions, advisory councils, and advisory boards hold no policy-making function of St. Lawrence County are exempt from this requirement.
- (d) Time and place for filing annual financial disclosure statements shall be filed with the Board of Ethics no later than the 31<sup>st</sup> of March each year. This statement may be filed with the Office of the County Attorney.

ARTICLE 23.            DESIGNATION OF OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES REQUIRED  
TO FILE FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

Within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this law, and during the month of February each year thereafter, the heads of every agency, department, division, council, board, commission, authority or bureau of the government shall:

- (c) Cause to be filed with the Board of Ethics a list of the names and offices or positions of all government officers and employees subject to his or her jurisdiction required to file annual financial disclosure statements pursuant to Article 8 of this law; and
- (d) Notify all such officers and employees of their obligation to file an annual disclosure statement by March 31 of each year.

ARTICLE 24.            MAINTENANCE AND USE OF FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE  
STATEMENTS (FDS)

- (c) The Board of Ethics shall index and maintain on file for at least seven (7) years all annual financial disclosure statements filed.
- (d) The Board of Ethics shall secure a copy of the active vendor list from the County on an annual basis that includes all vendors doing business with St. Lawrence County. The active vendor list will be used for the purpose of conducting an audit of submitted annual Financial Disclosure Statements (FDS). At a minimum, on a biennial basis, the Board of Ethics will compare, through an audit, the active vendors to businesses acknowledged by individuals in their Financial Disclosure Statements. The Board of Ethics will notify the County of any conflicts. The County will be responsible to ensure separation exists between employees and identified conflicts with access to vendors where there is a preexisting relationship. If there are issues, the County will communicate with the Board of Ethics.

ARTICLE 25.            EFFECTIVE DATE

This code takes effect upon filing with the Secretary of State.

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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 120-2024 Entitled “Adopting Local Law B (No. 2) for the Year 2024, “Rescinding all Previous Ethics Laws and Amendments and Adopting the St. Lawrence County Ethics Law””, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
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Finance Committee: 3-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 121-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR THE  
CONVEYANCE OF 209 RENSSELAER STREET, IN THE VILLAGE OF  
RENSSELAER FALLS, TOWN OF CANTON, IN LIEU OF FORECLOSURE  
PURSUANT TO REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW §1170**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Lightfoot, District 3

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Rensselaer Falls, located in the Town of Canton, County of St. Lawrence, approached St. Lawrence County in 2023 in relation to a destroyed building located at 209 Rensselaer St., Rensselaer Falls, NY 13617 with Tax Map No. 87.037-3-12.2 which is owned by Palazzo Nail Spas, Inc., and

**WHEREAS**, the building, a former residential apartment rental building, was destroyed in a fire on February 27, 2022, and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Rensselaer Falls contacted St. Lawrence County to request that the County clean up the location and proceed to litigation against the owner for the tax delinquency and cleanup costs utilizing the Blighted Property Program established by the County, and

**WHEREAS**, the property is currently listed as tax delinquent based upon unpaid 2023 taxes with an amount of taxes due of \$173.88 along with interest, penalties, and fees of \$46.90 with the 2024 unpaid taxes having not been re-levied as of yet, and

**WHEREAS**, rather than commence a foreclosure action against Palazzo Nails Spa, Inc., the County Attorney approached Palazzo Nails Spa, Inc. about executing a transfer of the title to the property in lieu of foreclosure, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Real Property Tax Law § 1170, “Any tax district may, when authorized by resolution of its governing body and in lieu of prosecuting a proceeding to foreclose a tax lien on any parcel of real property pursuant to this article, accept a conveyance of the interest of any person having any right, title, interest, claim, lien or equity of redemption in or to such parcel,” and

**WHEREAS**, by transferring to the County the deed to the property in lieu of foreclosure, the County may move forward and clean up the property on its own, which is the goal of the Village and the County, and

**WHEREAS**, Palazzo Nails Spa, Inc. has agreed to a transfer of the property in lieu of foreclosure,



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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an agreement for the conveyance of 209 Rensselaer Street, in the Village of Rensselaer Falls, Town of Canton in lieu of foreclosure pursuant to Real Property Tax Law §1170, upon review and approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Attorney is authorized to file the deed to execute the transfer once the agreement has been signed.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 121-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement for the Conveyance of 209 Rensselaer Street, in the Village of Rensselaer Falls, Town of Canton, in Lieu of Foreclosure Pursuant to Real Property Tax Law §1170”, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

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Finance Committee: 3-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 122-2024

**URGING NEW YORK STATE GOVERNOR KATHY HOCHUL TO MAKE  
APPOINTMENTS TO THE HERMON TOWN BOARD, ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Hermon is governed by a Town Board, having four (4) board members and a supervisor, and

**WHEREAS**, on or about February 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and February 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024, three town board members and the town supervisor resigned, denying the Town a legally elected body capable of achieving quorum and carrying out business on behalf of its residents, and

**WHEREAS**, while the Town Board has the authority to fill vacancies in an elected town office (Town Law, §64(5)), the New York State Attorney General's Office has informally opined that the Town Board's authority to fill vacancies under Town Law, §64(5) must be exercised in accordance with the quorum requirements set forth in Town Law, §63 and General Construction Law, §41 (1972 Op Atty Gen No 248), and

**WHEREAS**, a majority of the Town Board would be necessary to fill a vacancy in the Office of Town Board or Town Supervisor, and

**WHEREAS**, in the absence of a quorum of the Town Board needed to fill a vacancy or vacancies on the Town Board, the only remedy to the Town is to ask the Governor to appoint a sufficient number of Town Board Members to bring the board to a quorum so that it may carry on Town Board business (Public Officers Law, §43), and

**WHEREAS**, once the Governor has appointed a sufficient number of members to bring the Town Board to a quorum, the Town Board would have the authority to act under Town Law, §64(5) to fill the remaining vacancies, and

**WHEREAS**, because the vacancies occurred more than three (3) months prior to the general election in November, the individuals appointed to fill the vacancies will serve until December 31, 2024, with the positions going on the ballot for election (Public Officers Law, §§42, 38), and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Attorney, in consultation with the remaining board member and the Town Clerk, has recommended to the Governor to appoint the following individuals: (1) Cathy Race, who was the former Mayor of the Village of Hermon before the Village merged with the Town, from 2010-2016 and former St. Lawrence County Deputy County Clerk, and (2) Victoria Day, who is the Director of the Hepburn Library in Edwards, New York, as well as a Retired Elementary School Principal at Gouverneur School District, and

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**WHEREAS**, despite this recommendation, no appointments have been made yet and the Town remains without a quorum sufficient to carry out business on behalf of its residents,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators urges New York State Governor Kathy Hochul to make appointments to the Town of Hermon Board permitting the Town of Hermon to carry out business on behalf of its residents, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, U.S. Congresswoman Elise Stefanik, Senator Mark Walczyk, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, Assemblyman Scott Gray, and Town of Hermon Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 122-2024 Entitled "Urging New York State Governor Kathy Hochul to Make Appointments to the Hermon Town Board, St. Lawrence County", adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

*Kelly S. Bigwarfe*  
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Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

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Finance Committee: 3-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 123-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT RENEWAL  
WITH NEW YORK STATE INDUSTRIES FOR THE DISABLED, INC.  
FOR RECORDS MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County recognizes the need to have ongoing records management services performed, and

**WHEREAS**, New York State Industries for the Disabled, Inc. (“NYSID”), a 501c (3) not-for-profit corporation, was appointed by the New York State Commissioner of Education pursuant to Section 162 of the New York State Finance Law to facilitate orders on behalf of Preferred Source Agencies, such as St. Lawrence NYSID, and

**WHEREAS**, the St. Lawrence NYSID has provided records management services for St. Lawrence County for over thirty (30) years (B1014604 43006), and

**WHEREAS**, this contract allows the County to acquire services for document preparation such as micrographics, digital imaging or imaging on microfilm, CDs, and document shredding,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract renewal with New York State Industries for the Disabled Inc. for records management services for January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, retroactively, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 123-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract Renewal with New York State Industries for the Disabled, Inc. for Records Management Services”, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

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**Finance Committee: 3-25-2024**

**RESOLUTION NO. 124-2024**

**PROCLAIMING APRIL AS NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT  
MONTH IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY AND THE 2024 THEME, "FORWARDTOGETHER"**

**By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee**

**WHEREAS**, there are 3,069 counties in the United States that provide essential services to more than 330 million Americans to create healthy, safe, and thriving communities, and

**WHEREAS**, the county form of government was established in 1634 in Virginia to provide a more local solution for citizens to access government services, and

**WHEREAS**, since 1991, the National Association of Counties (NACo) continues to encourage counties across the country to elevate awareness of county responsibilities, programs, and services, and

**WHEREAS**, counties continue to fulfill a broad range of responsibilities and deliver services that touch many aspects of the lives of its residents in need, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County and counties across the Country take pride in the responsibility to protect and enhance the health, wellbeing, and safety of our residents in efficient and cost-effective ways, and

**WHEREAS**, NACo is highlighting county leadership through the lens ForwardTogether, celebrating the role of county governments in connecting, inspiring and leading as intergovernmental partners, and

**WHEREAS**, that role includes a responsibility to inspire county residents to engage with their communities, and to lead by highlighting the strength of intergovernmental partnerships, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County provides opportunities to connect through its interactions with the public in need of services and seeks to inspire those who would like to see a brighter future for the North Country,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators hereby proclaims April 2024 as National County Government Month and the 2024 theme of "ForwardTogether" and the three pillars of connect, inspire, and lead, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators encourages all county officials, employees, schools, and residents to participate in activities that support County Government Month.

April 1, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 124-2024 Entitled “Proclaiming April as National County Government Month in St. Lawrence County and the 2024 Theme, “Forwardtogether””, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

Finance Committee: 3-25-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 125-2024

**UPDATING THE AUTHORIZED FEES FOR INDIGENT BURIALS  
THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Ms. Haggard, District 10

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 141 of the Social Services Law, the Department of Social Services is required to pay the expenses associated with indigent burials, and

**WHEREAS**, over the last five years, St. Lawrence County has provided 129 individuals with these services per year, on average at a cost of that exceeds \$250,000 per year, and

**WHEREAS**, since the last adjustment to the fees for indigent burials, adopted ten (10) years ago in Resolution No. 53-2013 and fifteen (15) years ago in 2009 (Resolution No. 224-2009), costs to provide these services have increased for funeral directors in the County, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2023, the authorized fees for indigent burials were reviewed and as a part of that review, recommendations for updates to the fees were requested from the funeral directors and from the Department of Social Services, and

**WHEREAS**, it has been determined that the fees should be updated and recommendations brought forward to the Board of Legislators for adoption, and

**WHEREAS**, the Funeral Directors' Association supports changes in reimbursement for Indigent Burials and related services while accepting in many situations the fees will not fully cover the cost of the services they provide, and

**WHEREAS**, under the changed reimbursement schedule, St. Lawrence County will continue to pay for Direct Burials and Cremations, without services, and ensure that adequate burials continue for indigent individuals in St. Lawrence County, with increased opportunities for supplementation by non-legally responsible parties,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators accepts the recommendations and authorizes the following updates to the fees (attached) for Indigent Burials through the Department of Social Services be set as follows effective April 1, 2024, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a review of these fees will be scheduled every five (5) years going forward and if necessary, a recommendation brought forward to the Board of Legislators.

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## ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY

### Indigent Burial Fees Adopted in Resolution No. 125-2024

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Effective April 1, 2024, the following rates associated with indigent burials will be reimbursed as follows:

- Direct Burial without services at \$2,950 (Increase of \$1,145)
- Direct Cremation without services at \$2,050 (Increase of \$900)
- Stillborn/Infant Direct burial or Direct Cremation at \$900 (Increase of \$300)
- Mileage Reimbursement \$3 per mile per loaded mile (Increase of \$1 per mile)
- Cemetery Grave Opening/Closing \$800 (Increase of \$300)
- Anatomical donation, no crematory fee or mileage \$1,250 (new)
- Crematory Fee to remain at the rate set by the crematory
- Oversized casket and liner at the extra cost of the difference between the standard casket/liner and oversized casket/liner

The items listed below address the practices associated with indigent burials:

- The County will not reimburse for the burial of cremated remains or burial plots.
- The amount for the Direct Burial includes the price of the basic grave liner.
- If an oversized grave liner is required, the County will pay the difference between a basic grave liner and an oversized grave liner with an invoice.
- The price of a Direct Cremation includes the price of a durable urn, not cardboard.
- The County reimburses for a standard Monday through Friday grave opening, exclusively and the amount reimbursed is not to exceed \$800 (Increase of \$300) without prior approval and invoice from the cemetery.
- The maximum that the County will reimburse for winter storage is \$100 (no change) with an invoice from the cemetery.
- All Direct Burials are required to have the minimum of a casket (metal or composite material) and invoice submitted with the bill.
- The County maintains that a stillborn/infant is considered a person from birth to six (6) months old.
- Mileage is calculated from the place of death to the funeral home, then to place of disposition (crematory or cemetery)



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- Payment for transporting bodies to place of disposition from a funeral home is limited to not to exceed seventy-five (75) miles to the New York State Border.
- Any services performed without prior authorization by St. Lawrence County shall not be reimbursed.
- A working copy of the death certificate will be provided to the Department of Social Services.
- On an annual basis, a General Price List from each of the funeral homes will be provided to the Department of Social Services. The Department of Social Services will only pay an amount equal to the Direct Cremation or Direct Burial price on the current General Price List of requesting funeral home.
- These are minimum requirements, and a funeral home or funeral director may go above and beyond for a family at their own discretion and expense.
- The County maintains that without supplementation, by a non-legally responsible party, when St. Lawrence County is paying for an indigent burial, the grave must be in an available indigent burial ground.
- Services other than a Direct Burial or Cremation would fall under the category of supplementation.
- That supplementation by a non-legally responsible party be allowed for some or all of the following up to a maximum of \$5,000 (Increase of \$2,500) at a rate from the current General Price List:
  - Embalming
  - Dressing
  - Cosmetology/Hair dresser
  - Casketing
  - Register books, prayer cards, memorial candles
  - Calling hours/Graveside services
  - Streaming video
  - Funeral and/or Memorial services
  - Religious Symbol
  - Urn or Keepsake Urn
  - Cremation Jewelry
  - Additional Miles to a Cemetery/Crematory
- Supplementation of the expenditure by the County for an indigent burial cannot be used to upgrade the casket or vault.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 125-2024 Entitled "Updating the Authorized Fees for Indigent Burials through the Department of Social Services", adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 126-2024

**AUTHORIZING FILLING OF VACANCIES**

By Mr. Lightfoot, District 3; Mr. Perkins, District 7; and Ms. Curran, District 15

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 369-2019 and Resolution No. 253-2020 authorized the continuance of the current vacancy review process with a recommendation that the vacancies continue to be deliberated at each jurisdictional committee, but one resolution be created for all approved positions to be considered at the Regular Board Meeting, and

**WHEREAS**, the Vacancy Review Committee reviewed sixteen (16) positions in seven (7) departments, and of those reviewed one (1) position was held, six (6) positions were new positions, and six (6) positions will be abolished,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the fill of each of the following vacancies which have been reviewed and recommended to be filled or created and filled by the Vacancy Review Committee:

<b><u>Department/Unit:</u></b>	<b><u>Title:</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Type</u></b>	<b><u>Duration</u></b>	<b><u>Timeline</u></b>
Community Services	Behavioral Health Counselor/Mental Health	506500010 512400017	FT	Permanent	Immediate
County Administrator's Office/ B&G	Director of Governmental Services*	012600002	FT	Permanent	Immediate
County Attorney	Legal Secretary*	005300018	FT	Permanent	Immediate
County Attorney	Assistant County Attorney	021990001	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Public Health	Administrative Assistant*	005200015	FT	Permanent	60 days
Public Health	Secretary I	005100026	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Public Health	Senior Account Clerk	100200001	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Sheriff's Office / Criminal	Deputy Sheriff	605000028	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Sheriff's Office / Corrections	Correction Officer	603000040	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Sheriff's Office / Corrections	Licensed Practical Nurse*	500900007	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Sheriff's Office / Civil	Deputy Sheriff Sergeant*	60510007	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Social Services /CPS	Caseworker	815200005	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Social Services /CPS	Caseworker	815200023	FT	Contingent	Immediate
Social Services /TA SNAP	Social Welfare Examiner	814000001	FT	Contingent	Immediate
Social Services /TA SNAP	Social Welfare Examiner	814000023	FT	Contingent	Immediate

\*new position

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Position No. 005100031, Secretary I, be abolished in the County Attorney's Office; Position No. 003100100, Keyboard Specialist, be abolished in Public Health; Position No. 501000077, Registered Nurse, and Position No. 601100001, Chief Civil Enforcement Officer, be abolished in the Sheriff's Office; and Position No. 303200003, Buildings and Grounds Supervisor, be abolished in the County Administrator's Office upon vacancy, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** for any positions funded by grants, and the grant goes away, those positions will be abolished, and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the appointing authorities are authorized to fill the positions as provided for in the resolution.

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 126-2024 Entitled “Authorizing Filling of Vacancies”, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 127-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A SHARED SERVICES AGREEMENT  
WITH THE CITY OF OGDENSBURG THAT AUTHORIZES THE COUNTY  
ATTORNEY TO ACT AS SPECIAL COUNSEL TO THE CITY OF OGDENSBURG**

By Mr. Forsythe, District 2  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Reagen, District 1

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to County Law §501, the County Attorney “shall be the legal advisor to the board of supervisors and every officer whose compensation is paid from county funds in all matters involving an official act of a civil nature. The county attorney shall prosecute and defend all civil actions and proceedings brought by or against the county, the board of supervisors and any officer whose compensation is paid from county funds for any official act, except as otherwise provided by [County Law §501] or other law”, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Local Law 1 for the year 1956, the County Attorney also acts as the Plan Administrator for the St. Lawrence County Self-Insurance Workers’ Compensation Fund, and

**WHEREAS**, most of the general municipal entities, within the geographic region comprising St. Lawrence County participate in the St. Lawrence County Workers’ Compensation Plan, including the City of Ogdensburg, and

**WHEREAS**, the County Attorney acts as counsel for the Sheriff’s Office with the implementation of General Municipal Law § 207-c Policy, and

**WHEREAS**, General Municipal Law Section 207 provides additional protection for municipal firefighters and police officers, including the sheriff, deputy sheriffs, corrections officers, and other investigators, injured in the performance of their duties and are commonly referred to as Section 207 benefits, and

**WHEREAS**, the additional protection provides for these Municipal employees to receive their full wages, for the time period that they are physically disabled from performing their regular job duties, and

**WHEREAS**, prompted by discussions held between staff of both municipal entities, early in March, the County received a formal request from the City of Ogdensburg for a shared services agreement whereby the County Attorney would render similar aid to the City of Ogdensburg Police Department and Fire Departments regarding the establishment and application of Section 207-c and 207-a policies, and

**WHEREAS**, the application of a Section 207 Policy for the City of Ogdensburg can act to augment the existing County Workers’ Compensation Plan administration, providing a synergistic effect that can benefit the worker, the Plan, and the Employer, and

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**WHEREAS**, pursuant to County Law § 501(3), “The county attorney shall perform such additional and related duties as may be prescribed by law and directed by the board of (legislators),” and

**WHEREAS**, subsection (4) of section 501 states further, “The board of (legislators) may include in such directions the rendering of advice and service to [other municipal] boards and [municipal] officers when not in conflict with the interests of the county, board of (legislators) or an officer whose compensation is paid from county funds,” and

**WHEREAS**, in order to permit such an arrangement, an agreement identifying the value of such services and the terms of performance will be required,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the County Attorney to act as general counsel to the City of Ogdensburg related to the development and implementation of a General Municipal Law § 207 Policy, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chair is authorized to execute documents necessary to establish a shared services agreement with the City of Ogdensburg for the purpose of assisting in the development of a General Municipal Law §207 Policy, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the rate established for this shared service will be at the hourly rate that captures the total cost of the time spent by the County Attorney and staff by the hour for each hour worked on this matter.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 127-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Shared Services Agreement with the City of Ogdensburg that Authorizes the County Attorney to Act as Special Counsel to the City of Ogdensburg”, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 128-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT  
WITH FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR THE USE  
OF IPAWS OPEN PLATFORM FOR EMERGENCY NETWORKS BY THE  
ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES  
INTEROPERABLE SYSTEM**

By Ms. Curran, District 15

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 32-2024, adopted February 5, 2024, authorized the Chair to sign a contract with RAVE Mobile Safety, an Emergency Alert Notification System recommended as the most cost-effective beneficial program for St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, RAVE Mobile Safety localizes access to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS), FEMA's national system utilized by FEMA for local alerting that provides authenticated emergency and life-saving information to the public through multiple means of communication in the event of a major incident or emergency, and

**WHEREAS**, it is recommended that a memorandum of agreement be signed between St Lawrence County Office of Emergency Services, and Federal Emergency Management Agency's Integrated Public Alert and Warning System, which interoperate with the IPAWS-Open Platform for Emergency Networks (IPAWS-OPEN) for a three year term with an additional 3 year extension,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorize the Chair to sign a memorandum of agreement with the Federal Emergency Management Agency and any additional documentation for the use of IPAWS-OPEN Platform for access to emergency networks, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 128-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Memorandum of Agreement with Federal Emergency Management Agency for the Use of IPAWS OPEN Platform for Emergency Networks by the St. Lawrence County Office of Emergency Services Interoperable System", adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 1, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 129-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE  
IRREVOCABLE SPOUSAL TRUST FBO CAROL L. MAGINN FOR STORAGE SPACE  
AT 15 HARROGATE COMMONS, MASSENA, NEW YORK**

By Mr. Denesha, District 6  
Co-Sponsored by Ms. Terminelli, District 14

**WHEREAS**, renovations are underway at the Public Safety Complex and there is an additional need for space associated with storage until the updated space is ready, and

**WHEREAS**, the current lessor at Harrogate Commons in Massena has unoccupied unfinished space that the County could rent for the duration of the project, and

**WHEREAS**, the County has an intermittent need to access the materials and equipment stored at the location and will require approximately 500 square feet of additional space, and

**WHEREAS**, the relocation of these materials and equipment will allow for the Capital Project to continue without interruption, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a lease agreement with the Irrevocable Spousal Trust FBO Carol L. Maginn for storage space at 15 Harrogate Commons, Massena, New York, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the term for storage would not exceed the duration of the renovation project and the rate is established at \$7 per square foot.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 129-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Lease Agreement with the Irrevocable Spousal Trust FBO Carol L. Maginn for Storage Space at 15 Harrogate Commons, Massena, New York”, adopted April 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 2, 2024

April 15, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 130-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A FINAL AND COMPREHENSIVE MOHAWK  
LAND CLAIMS SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

By Mr. Forsythe, District 2

**WHEREAS**, on July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1982 Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe, Mohawk Council of Akwesasne and Mohawk Nation Council of Chiefs (collectively, the Mohawk) asserted claims for possession of lands within the Counties of Franklin and St. Lawrence in the State of New York, and for damages on the ground that the lands in question were originally transferred in violation of law, including, but without limitation, the Trade and Intercourse Act of 1790 (1 Stat. 137), or subsequent reenactments or versions thereof, and

**WHEREAS**, such litigation, *The Canadian St. Regis Band of Mohawk Indians v. New York et al.* (82-CV-783); *The Canadian St. Regis Band of Mohawk Indians v. New York et al.* (82-CV-1114); and *The St. Regis Mohawk Tribe, by the St. Regis Mohawk Tribal Council and the People of the Longhouse at Akwesasne, by Mohawk Nation Council of Chiefs v. The State of New York, et al.* (89-CV-829), remains pending before the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York for nearly forty-two (42) years, and

**WHEREAS**, the State of New York, the Counties of Franklin and St. Lawrence, various municipalities of those Counties, and the New York Power Authority and other non-governmental entities with interests in the land at issue are defendants in such litigation, and

**WHEREAS**, continued disagreements and endless litigation have fostered distrust between the land claim defendants and the Mohawk related to jurisdictional, taxation and regulatory issues arising from the underlying land claims, and

**WHEREAS**, despite this fact, the parties have continued to engage in negotiations in lieu of more costly and time-consuming elements of litigation, and

**WHEREAS**, ultimate judicial resolution of the litigation remains elusive and recent judicial rulings make clear that no party should expect complete and total victory, and

**WHEREAS**, based upon the aforementioned, on May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014, St. Lawrence County, the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe, and the State of New York entered into a Memorandum of Understanding establishing the broad strokes of what would later need to become a full and final Settlement Agreement, and

**WHEREAS**, the terms of the original Memorandum of Understanding anticipated the creation of a subsequent agreement which would incorporate the process for land acquisitions by the Tribe, revenue remittance to the County, as well as the terms of agreement between the other defendants, Franklin County, and the other municipalities, and

**WHEREAS**, since 2014, the parties have worked towards resolving their differences and establishing a lasting settlement of all land claims in the two county area, and

**WHEREAS**, starting in 2022, the parties began court-ordered mediation in an effort to reach a comprehensive settlement, and



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**WHEREAS**, after several individual gatherings, the parties met on February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York before the Hon. Teresa Dancks, Magistrate, in an effort to finalize the last elements of a Settlement Agreement, and

**WHEREAS**, there is a recognition that any final resolution of pending disputes through a process of litigation would: take many additional years and entail great expense to all parties; continue economically and socially-damaging controversies; prolong uncertainty as to the access, ownership, and jurisdictional status of land in question; and seriously impair long-term economic planning and development for all parties, and

**WHEREAS**, the parties have reached a tentative understanding on the remaining issues and have verbally agreed to a timeline for implementation, and

**WHEREAS**, all governing bodies of the litigants are to secure authority to enter into the final agreement, on or before May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024 and report back to the Court that such authority has been secured, and

**WHEREAS**, following approval by the governing bodies, the parties will each execute the agreement for submission to the Unites States Congress for ratification,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to Sign a Final and Comprehensive Mohawk Land Claims Settlement Agreement, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators endorses the terms of the Settlement Agreement, which incorporates the full terms of the 2014 Memorandum of Understanding.

STATE OF NEW YORK )  
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 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 130-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Final and Comprehensive Mohawk Land Claims Settlement Agreement”, adopted April 15, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 16, 2024

April 15, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 131-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A COMPREHENSIVE INSURANCE POLICY  
FOR THE SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT AND MODIFYING  
THE 2024 BUDGET FOR SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT**

By Mr. Smithers, District 5

**WHEREAS**, the St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department is an enterprise fund, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 151-2018 authorized the Solid Waste Department to obtain a separate comprehensive insurance policy in an effort to relieve the County from costly claims, and

**WHEREAS**, the current insurance policy through U.S. Specialty Insurance Company expire on April 12, 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, the Solid Waste Department requires additional funding to cover the increased cost in comprehensive insurance, and

**WHEREAS**, the Solid Waste Department wishes to renew the policy through April 12, 2025, for a total cost of \$93,592.21 (WA017104 41405), and

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 Budget has \$55,000 budgeted and the premium exceeds that amount, and

**WHEREAS**, the overage in these expenses can be offset by retained earnings,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a comprehensive insurance policy for the Solid Waste Department, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Solid Waste Department, as follows:

**DECREASE RETAINED EARNINGS:**

05TG0909 50300	Retained Earnings	\$38,600
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

05TG0599 50300	EL Fund Balance, Appropriated	\$38,600
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

WA017104 41405	W ADM Comprehensive Insurance	\$38,600
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 131-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Comprehensive Insurance Policy for the Solid Waste Department and Modifying the 2024 Budget for Solid Waste Department”, adopted April 15, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 16, 2024

April 22, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 132-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR, AS THE “AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL,” TO SIGN  
ALL NORTHERN REGIONAL COMMISSION CATALYST INVESTMENT  
DOCUMENTS AND SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION FOR FUNDS TO REPLACE  
THE TOOLEY POND ROAD BRIDGE, BIN 3340750**

By Mr. Smithers, District 5

**WHEREAS**, a pre-application was submitted to the Northern Border Regional Commission (NBRC) Catalyst Program for funds to replace the Tooley Pond Road Bridge, aka New Bridge, BIN 3340750, over the South Branch of the Grasse River in the Town of Clare, and

**WHEREAS**, the County was invited by the NBRC to submit a full application, and

**WHEREAS**, the County oversees 192 bridges and utilizes a quantitative methodology defined and approved by the Board of Legislators by Resolution No. 139-2019, placing this structure as the highest ranked bridge according to County priorities that also meets the NBRC Catalyst Grant Program criteria, and

**WHEREAS**, in addition, the bridge was originally constructed in 1963 and has connections to the timber industry and access to recreational trails which align this bridge with NBRC priorities,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes David Forsythe, Chair of the Board of Legislators, as the “authorized official” to sign all Northern Regional Commission Catalyst Investment Documents that bind the County, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the authorized official, David Forsythe, and the Board of Legislators support the application for funds to replace the Tooley Pond Road Bridge, BIN 3340750.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 132-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair, as the “Authorized Official,” to Sign All Northern Regional Commission Catalyst Investment Documents and Supporting the Application for Funds to Replace the Tooley Pond Road Bridge, BIN 3340750”, adopted April 22, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
April 23, 2024

May 6, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 133-2024

**RECOGNIZING HAMMOND CENTRAL SCHOOL GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM  
FOR EXCELLENCE AND OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN CAPTURING THE  
2024 NYSPHSAA GIRLS BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP**

By Mr. Sheridan, District 4

**WHEREAS**, the Hammond Central School Girls' Basketball Team captured the NYSPHSAA Championship Title by defeating Northville in a hard fought 54-34 victory, winning their second straight NY State Class D title, and

**WHEREAS**, the Hammond Red Devils won back-to-back NYSPHSAA Girls' Class D Championships titles in 2023 and 2024, and the fourth straight girls championship in school history, and

**WHEREAS**, showing no weakness on the court, and the Red Devils had a stellar season playing each game with athleticism, intensity, and the mindset of a championship caliber team finishing their season with a record of 24-3, and

**WHEREAS**, under the direction of Head Coach Alyssa Crosby with Assistant Coaches John Arquiett and Katina Dillon, these scholar athletes were able to accomplish this incredible feat, and

**WHEREAS**, the performance of this team is a testimonial to the dedication, devotion and commitment to a team sport with a desire to succeed, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County is extremely proud of the achievement of the team as student athletes for devoting the time and energy and putting forth an unselfish team effort thereby bringing honor and credit to their School, Town, and County, and

**WHEREAS**, it is with great pride that the Board of Legislators recognizes the exceptional accomplishments of the Hammond Red Devil Girls' Basketball Team and their coaches on the impressive and successful championship season,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators recognizes the Hammond Central School Girls' Basketball Team for Excellence and Outstanding Achievement in Capturing the 2024 NYSPHSAA Girls Basketball Championship.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 133-2024 Entitled "Recognizing Hammond Central School Girls' Basketball Team for Excellence and Outstanding Achievement in Capturing the 2024 NYSPHSAA Girls Basketball Championship", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Services Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 134-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR FUNDING  
RECEIVED FROM OPIOID SETTLEMENT FUNDS FROM NEW YORK STATE  
OFFICE OF ADDICTION SERVICES AND SUPPORT (OASAS) TO EXPAND  
ACCESS TO THE MOBILE TREATMENT CLINIC**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Community Services received funding from the NYS OASAS Opioid Settlement Funds, and

**WHEREAS**, on October 3, 2023, the Community Services Board approved the use of OASAS Opioid Settlement Funds to new and existing pass-through agencies for harm reduction, treatment, housing, prevention, and transportation, and

**WHEREAS**, Community Services has recognized the need for increased access of individuals with an Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) to recovery services in St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, these funds will be used for the operating expenses for the mobile treatment clinic to increase access to treatment for Opioid Use Disorder in St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, the Opioid Settlement State funding provided will follow the calendar year and can be rolled over to subsequent years and reconciled on an annual basis,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for Community Services for funding received from Opioid Settlement Funds from New York State Office of Addiction Services and Support (OASAS) to expand access to the Mobile Treatment Clinic, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

A1142501	11000 MO	A MOB Unit Direct Service Worker	\$39,783
A1142508	81000 MO	Retirement	4,515
A1142508	83000 MO	Social Security	2,887
A1142508	84000 MO	Workers Compensation	997
A1142508	84500 MO	Group Life Insurance	73
A1142508	86000 MO	Hospital & Medical Insurance	11,916
A1142508	86508 MO	Dental Insurance	512
A1142508	89000 MO	Vision Insurance	159
A1142594	41901 MO	Central Printing	100
A1142504	41902 MO	Commercial Printing	100
A1142504	42000 MO	Office Supply & Expenses	307
A1142504	42402 MO	Postage	100

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A1142504	43007 MO	Other Fees & Services	3,051
A1142504	44000 MO	I/D Automotive Expenses	3,500
A1142504	44100 MO	I/D Fuel Charges	11,000
A1142504	45100 MO	Medical Supplies & Expenses	<u>1,000</u>
			\$80,000

## INCREASE REVENUE:

A1Z34865 56000 MO	A SA Opioid Settlement Funds	\$80,000
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any remaining funds will be reconciled in order to be rolled over to future budget years until the funding is fully expended.

STATE OF NEW YORK )  
 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 134-2024 Entitled “Modifying the 2024 Budget for Community Services for Funding Received from Opioid Settlement Funds from New York State Office of Addiction Services and Support (OASAS) to Expand Access to the Mobile Treatment Clinic”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Services Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 135-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES TO ACCEPT THE STOP-DWI PROGRAM AID TO LOCALITIES DISTRIBUTION FROM THE STATE OF NEW YORK GOVERNOR'S TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Special Traffic Options Program, also known as STOP-DWI, was created in effort to empower counties to coordinate local efforts to reduce alcohol and other illicit substance-related traffic injuries and fatalities within the context of a comprehensive and financially self-sustaining statewide alcohol and highway safety program, as outlined by §VTL 1197, and

**WHEREAS**, on October 2, 2023, Resolution No. 304-2023, authorized the STOP-DWI Program to accept \$16,500 from the Governors' Traffic Safety Committee with a contract period of August 18, 2023 to December 31, 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, of this funding, \$576 was utilized in the 2023 Budget, and

**WHEREAS**, this funding is for equipment, educational materials, services, or training costs which are one hundred percent (100%) related to the reduction of impaired driving in St. Lawrence County,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for Community Services to accept the STOP-DWI Program Aid to Localities Distribution from the State of New York Governor's Traffic Safety Committee as follows:

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

A7Z33895 56000	A GTSC Grant Revenue	\$15,924
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

A7Z33154 43007	A GTSC Other Fees & Services	\$15,924
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 135-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Budget for Community Services to Accept the Stop-DWI Program Aid to Localities Distribution from the State of New York Governor's Traffic Safety Committee", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024



May 6, 2024

Services Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 136-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE TRAFFIC SAFETY PROGRAM  
TO INCLUDE THE CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY GRANT FUNDING  
2023-2024 FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee has determined that the St. Lawrence County Traffic Safety Grant will be funded at \$87,876 with an additional Child Passenger Safety Grant for training and fitting stations in the amount of \$12,300 for a total budget of \$100,176, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 341-2023 authorized the Chair to sign contracts with New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee to accept the 2023-2024 Traffic Safety Program and Child Passenger Safety Grants for Community Services,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Traffic Safety Program to include the Child Passenger Safety Grant Funding 2023-2024 for Community Services, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

A7233154 430SV	A RTSP Fitting Station-MSS	\$12,300
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

A7233895 56000	A SA Regional Traffic Safety Program	\$12,300
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 136-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Traffic Safety Program to Include the Child Passenger Safety Grant Funding 2023-2024 for Community Services", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Services Committee: 4-15-2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 137-2024**

**MODIFYING THE 2024 COMMUNITY SERVICES BUDGET FOR AN  
OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT CLINIC MODEL GRANT**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Community Services has been awarded the OASAS Outreach and Engagement Clinic Model Grant funded through the New York State Opioid Settlement Funds, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators has recognized the need for increased access for individuals with an Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) to recovery services in St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 276-2023, adopted September 11, 2023, authorized the Chair to sign a contract with the Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) for an Outreach and Engagement Clinic Model Grant, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 305-2023, adopted October 2, 2023, accepted the funds and authorized the Treasurer to modify the 2023 Budget for Community Services for this one-time only funding of \$445,104, not including \$44,509 for indirect costs to be utilized during the 24-month award period, beginning October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2025, and

**WHEREAS**, the funding is to be used to support outreach and engagement through care management services designed to reach underserved populations who have Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) across New York State,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for Community Services for an Outreach and Engagement Clinic Model Grant, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

<b>A1Z42501 11000 CM</b>	<b>A CM Direct Service Workers</b>	<b>\$123,000</b>
<b>A1Z42501 12000 CM</b>	<b>A CM Supervisory/Admin</b>	<b>3,000</b>
<b>A1Z42508 81000 CM</b>	<b>Retirement</b>	<b>13,702</b>
<b>A1Z42508 83000 CM</b>	<b>Social Security</b>	<b>8,488</b>
<b>A1Z42508 84000 CM</b>	<b>Workers' Compensation</b>	<b>3,062</b>
<b>A1Z42508 84500 CM</b>	<b>Group Life Insurance</b>	<b>222</b>
<b>A1Z42508 86000 CM</b>	<b>Hospital &amp; Medical Insurance</b>	<b>35,880</b>
<b>A1Z42508 86500 CM</b>	<b>Dental Insurance</b>	<b>1,440</b>
<b>A1Z42508 89000 CM</b>	<b>Vision Insurance</b>	<b>480</b>
<b>A1Z42504 407HS CM</b>	<b>A CM Human Services Building Rent</b>	<b>4,242</b>
<b>A1Z42504 408HS CMA</b>	<b>CM Human Services Building Maintenance</b>	<b>4,150</b>
<b>A1Z42504 41401 CM</b>	<b>A CM Liability &amp; Other Insurance</b>	<b>1,832</b>

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A1Z42504 42000 CM	A CM Office Supplies & Expenses	300
A1Z42504 42004 CM	A CM Other Ext Data Process	816
A1Z42504 42101 CM	A CM I/D Copying Equipment	208
A1Z42504 42302 CM	A CM Other Phone Services	768
A1Z42504 44000 CM	A CM I/D Automotive Expenses	9,000
A1Z42504 44100 CM	A CM I/D Fuel Charges	10,000
A1Z42504 41102 CM	A CM Educational Workshops	3,000
A1Z42504 44500 CM	A CM Other Travel Reimbursement	2,000
A1Z42504 423CN CM	A CM Client Service Dollars	<u>24,781</u>
		\$250,371

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

A1Z44865 56000 CM	A SA OSF Grant	\$250,371
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 137-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Community Services Budget for an Outreach and Engagement Clinic Model Grant", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Services Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 138-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES  
FOR FUNDING FROM OASAS SAPT BLOCK GRANT COMPREHENSIVE  
INTEGRATED OUTPATIENT TREATMENT PROGRAM**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Community Services has received funding modifications from OASAS Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Block Grant Program, and

**WHEREAS**, the SAPT Block Grant Program annually provides funds to states and territories to help plan, implement, and evaluate activities that prevent and treat substance abuse and promote public health, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 64-2023 authorized a contract for funding from OASAS SAPT Block Grant to be used for developing a new Opioid Treatment Programs that is to be integrated with existing 822 outpatient services in order to provide person-centered comprehensive treatment and Medication for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD) services, and

**WHEREAS**, Community Services has recognized the need for increased access of individuals with an Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) to recovery services in St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, the original one-time only funding of \$98,742, including \$7,754 for reimbursement of indirect costs, is for the infrastructure and integration of the Canton Addiction Services and OTP clinics to utilize during the award period of January 9, 2023 to March 14, 2023, with a proposed no-cost extension of one year extending the award to March 14, 2024,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for Community Services for funding from the OASAS SAPT Block Grant Comprehensive Integrated Outpatient Treatment Program, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

A1Z42502 25000 SA	A Tech Equipment	\$10,792
A1Z42504 42000 SA	A SAPT Office Supplies and Expenses	4,738
A1Z42504 43007 SA	A Other Fees and Services	8,801
A1Z42504 45100 SA	A SAPT Medical Supplies and Expenses	2,639
A1Z42504 423SS SA	A SAPT Security System	<u>9,743</u>
		\$36,713

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

A1Z44865 57000 SA	A SAPT Block Grant Supp 1013	\$36,713
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 138-2024 Entitled “Modifying the 2024 Budget for Community Services for Funding from OASAS SAPT Block Grant Comprehensive Integrated Outpatient Treatment Program”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Services Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 139-2024

**PROCLAIMING MAY AS LYME AND TICK-BORNE DISEASE  
AWARENESS MONTH IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Lyme and other Tick-Borne Disease, transmitted through the bite of an infected tick, are endemic throughout St. Lawrence County and are a nationally recognized health concern, and

**WHEREAS**, the risk of contracting Lyme and other Tick-Borne Disease can be year-round; the warm weather increases outdoor activities and St. Lawrence County residents and visitors work and also enjoy recreation activities in our woods, fields, and open areas that may be inhabited or infested by ticks carried by wildlife, birds, and domestic animals, increasing the risk of infection, and

**WHEREAS**, Lyme and other Tick-Borne Disease infected more than 250 people of all ages in St. Lawrence County during 2023, and

**WHEREAS**, Lyme and other Tick-Borne Disease, when not properly diagnosed or treated, may affect many body systems making proper diagnosis more difficult, and thereby making the need for public information regarding prevention, treatment, and control a priority, and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department and other community partners are taking a lead role by educating the community to safeguard this and future generations against Lyme and other Tick-Borne Disease, and

**WHEREAS**, recognizing the danger and effects of these diseases, St. Lawrence County support efforts designed to raise awareness about the prevention and control of Lyme and other Tick-Borne Disease,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators proclaims the month of May as Lyme and Tick-Borne Disease Awareness Month in St. Lawrence County,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that all residents are encouraged to learn how to prevent tick bites and understand when to seek treatment.

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STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 139-2024 Entitled “Proclaiming May as Lyme and Tick-Borne Disease Awareness Month in St. Lawrence County”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Services Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 140-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH  
NORTHERN AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTER FOR DOMESTIC  
VIOLENCE AWARENESS TRAINING**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Domestic violence impacts twelve (12) million people every year, and

**WHEREAS**, at times field work may include Public Health Staff entering the homes of residents to work with clients in a clinical setting, and staff may encounter those experiencing domestic violence, and

**WHEREAS**, the Northern Area Health Education Center (NAHEC) provides training on domestic violence awareness called “In Her Shoes” training, which is an experiential learning activity, and is based on the experiences of real survivors, and

**WHEREAS**, in this training, participants engage in a simulation in which they walk in the shoes of the various characters experiencing abusive and controlling relationships, and discussion helps participants answer lingering questions, gives the facilitator the opportunity to dispel persistent myths and misunderstandings, and helps participants identify ways to make change individually and locally, and

**WHEREAS**, the cost of the NAHEC training is \$750, calculated at a rate of \$25 each for thirty (30) participants,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Northern Area Health Education Center for Domestic Violence Awareness Training, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 140-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Northern Area Health Education Center for Domestic Violence Awareness Training”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024



May 6, 2024

Services Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 141-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH MVP HEALTH CARE,  
INC./MVP SELECT CARE, INC./MVP AFFILIATES FOR THE  
PURPOSES OF CLINIC BILLING**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department bills for a variety of clinic services through clearinghouse Office Ally, and

**WHEREAS**, contracts are required with insurance companies for clinic organizations to be considered in network to bill for services, and

**WHEREAS**, if such contracts are not in place, very little, if any, revenue will be gained from individuals with MPV Insurance for billable services,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with MVP Health Care, Inc./MVP Select Care, Inc./MVP Affiliates for the purpose of clinic billing, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 141-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with MVP Health Care, Inc./MVP Select Care, Inc./MVP Affiliates for the Purposes of Clinic Billing", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Services Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 142-2024

**PROCLAIMING MAY AS OLDER AMERICANS MONTH:  
2024 THEME IS POWERED BY CONNECTION**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County includes a rapidly growing number of older Americans who contribute their time, wisdom, and experience to our community, and

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 theme for Older American Month is “Powered by Connection,” which recognizes the profound impact that meaningful relationships and social connections have on our health and well-being, and

**WHEREAS**, since 1965, the Older Americans Act has provided services that help older adults remain healthy and independent by complementing existing medical and health care systems, helping prevent hospital readmissions, and supporting some of most basic functions, such as bathing or preparing meals, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County recognizes the need to create a community that offers services and supports older adults who may need to make choices about how they age, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County can work to build an even better community for our older residents by:

- Share facts about the mental, physical, and emotional health benefits of social connection and how it contributes to overall well-being, and
- Promote resources that help older adults engage, like community events, social clubs, and volunteer opportunities, and
- Connect older adults with local services, such as transportation, that can help them overcome obstacles to achieving or maintaining meaningful relationships, and
- Encourage partners to host a connection-centric event or program focused on older adult mentors to youth, peer-to-peer support, or similar efforts, and
- Challenge professional and personal networks to prioritize meaningful social connections and share the benefits,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators proclaims May 2024 to be Older Americans Month, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that all residents are encouraged to explore the vital role that connectedness plays in supporting independence, and aging in place by combatting isolation and loneliness.

May 6, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 142-2024 Entitled “Proclaiming May as Older Americans Month: 2024 Theme is Powered by Connection”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Services Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 143-2024

**AUTHORIZING SUMMER YOUTH INTERNS FOR THE YOUTH BUREAU**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Youth Bureau wants to hire eight (8) youth interns for five weeks from July 8 – August 8, 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, the interns will be placed within various County departments such as the Youth Bureau, County Clerk’s Office, Public Health, Office for the Aging, and the Highway Department, and

**WHEREAS**, interns will learn valuable on-the-job training, and the rewards of public service, and

**WHEREAS**, interns will be responsible for various job duties, such as developing newsletters, public service, social media content, scanning and filing documents, answering phone calls, and attending summer community events, and

**WHEREAS**, these positions are seasonal and one-hundred percent (100%) reimbursable using funds from the Office of Children and Family Services Account (Y2038205 5600C), and

**WHEREAS**, interns work twenty hours per week, and are paid \$16 per hour from Youth Advocacy and Training (Y2073104 46000),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes summer Youth Interns for the Youth Bureau.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 143-2024 Entitled “Authorizing Summer Youth Interns for the Youth Bureau”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Operations Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 144-2024

**ADOPTION OF THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY 2024 COORDINATED  
TRANSPORTATION PLAN**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County regularly receives and administers Federal and State funds to provide public transportation services, and

**WHEREAS**, as a condition of receiving these funds, the New York State Department of Transportation and the Federal Transit Administration require rural transit providers to prepare a five-year Coordinated Transportation Plan, and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of a Coordinated Transportation Plan is to assess the transportation needs for persons who are seniors, earn limited incomes, or have a disability; identify transportation gaps and duplication of services; and to prioritize goals and actions to address these gaps and duplicate services, and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Transit Task Force for St. Lawrence County oversaw the creation of the Plan and provided input as it was prepared by the County Mobility Manager and the County Planning Office, and

**WHEREAS**, hard copies of the draft Plan were distributed and posted on the St. Lawrence County Public Transit Website for public review, and

**WHEREAS**, a legally noticed public hearing was held on March 21<sup>st</sup> to receive public comment on the draft Plan, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators has duly considered the assessment, goals, and actions in the draft Plan, and comments from the public,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators hereby adopts the St. Lawrence County 2024 Coordinated Transportation Plan,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that as the Plan is implemented, it should be reviewed and modified as needed to account for the changing conditions of riders who rely on the public transportation services in St. Lawrence County, and the Board of Legislators will be updated annually on the changes.

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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 144-2024 Entitled “Adoption of the St. Lawrence County 2024 Coordinated Transportation Plan”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Operations Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 145-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR THE  
PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS FOR THE CORRECTIONAL DIVISION**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff is recommending an adjustment to the uniform budget to bring all Sheriff's Office staff into a similar uniform style, and acquire vests to assist officers as a safety precaution, and

**WHEREAS**, appropriations budgeted to assist supporting the nursing staff are no longer needed for the original purpose and the Sheriff is requesting to transfer these funds to provide for the uniforms,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes that the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office for the Purchase of the Uniforms for the Sheriff's Office as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S4031501 1900M	Temporary Per Diem Medical	\$28,800
S4031501 1900N	S JAIL Temp Per Diem Nurse	<u>11,200</u>
		\$40,000

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

S4031504 45300	S JAIL Uniforms & Clothing	\$40,000
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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 145-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office for the Purchase of Uniforms for the Correctional Division", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
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Operations Committee: 4-15-2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 146-2024**

**ACCEPTING A FY23 OPERATION STONEGARDEN PROGRAM (OPSG) GRANT  
FROM NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND  
MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services has awarded a FY23 Operation Stonegarden Grant, in the amount of \$300,000, to key law enforcement agencies in St. Lawrence County, with a contract period of period of September 1, 2023, to August 31, 2026, and

**WHEREAS**, the mission of Operation Stonegarden is to utilize State, County, and Local Law Enforcement Agencies to enhance border security within the County, and

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Office will receive \$57,918.52 and will act a pass-through agency for four local entities: City of Ogdensburg Police Department (\$78,574.25), Village of Canton (\$14,640.38), and Village of Massena (\$33,737.67), and Village of Potsdam (\$25,191.52), and

**WHEREAS**, the remaining funding of \$89,937.66 is allocated to two (2) State level law enforcement agencies (NYS Police and NYS DEC) who will do their own reporting,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes accepting the FY23 Operation Stonegarden Program (OPSG) Grant from New York State Division of Homeland Security, upon the approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S1Z31101 18000 SG3	S CRIM Overtime	\$19,770
S1Z31102 25000 SG3	S CRIM Technical Equipment	30,323
S1Z31104 43007 SG3	S CRIM Other Fees and Services	152,144
S1Z31104 44000 SG3	S CRIM I/D Automotive Expenses	3,618
S1Z31108 81000 SG3	S CRIM Retirement	2,202
S1Z31108 83000 SG3	S CRIM Social Security	1,512
S1Z31108 84000 SG3	S CRIM Worker's Compensation	<u>494</u>
		\$210,063

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

S1Z43895 57000	SG S SG Federal Aid	\$210,063
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any remaining funds will be rolled over to future budgets until the Grant is fully expended.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 146-2024 Entitled “Accepting a FY23 Operation Stonegarden Program (OPSG) Grant from New York State Division of Homeland Security and Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff’s Office”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Operations Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 147-2024

**RESOLUTION URGING THE NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE  
TO REJECT SENATE BILL S.8461, KNOWN AS  
“THE SPORTING RANGE GOOD NEIGHBOR ACT”**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Webster, District 11

**WHEREAS**, on January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024, Senator Pete Harckham (40<sup>th</sup> Senate District serving Rockland County, Putnam County, and Westchester County) introduced Senate Bill S.8461, “The Sporting Range Good Neighbor Act”, and

**WHEREAS**, S.8461 amends the environmental conservation law to require minimum boundary distances for outdoor skeet field shooting ranges, or alternatively, to construct backstops with minimum specifications that prevent lead migration outside the designated skeet field tract, and

**WHEREAS**, additionally, S.8461 seeks to prohibit any portion of a skeet field tract to include a wetland or open water source, and

**WHEREAS**, S.8461 would also require skeet field tracts at shooting ranges to be at least 600 by 300 yards, and

**WHEREAS**, S.8461, while formed in the guise of an environmentally friendly bill, appears to be designed to restrict skeet development and participation, limiting the exercise of protected Second Amendment activity, and

**WHEREAS**, as of 2022, almost half of the school districts in St. Lawrence County had an active skeet and trap shooting club, and

**WHEREAS**, shooting ranges already have to meet restrictive guidelines to operate safely, currently costing as much as \$100,000 or more, and

**WHEREAS**, there are significant legal and constitutional questions regarding the legality of this measure that have not been adequately addressed,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators urges the New York State Legislature reject Senate Bill S.8461, “The Sporting Range Good Neighbor Act”, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Mark Walczyk, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, Assemblyman Scott Gray, and the Senate Environmental Conservation Committee.

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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 147-2024 Entitled “Resolution Urging the New York State Legislature to Reject Senate Bill S.8461, Known as “The Sporting Range Good Neighbor Act””, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Operations Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 148-2024

**SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL  
LAW C (NO. ) FOR THE YEAR 2024, "A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF  
ST. LAWRENCE IMPOSING THE WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS SURCHARGES  
PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF TAX LAW §186-g"**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6

**WHEREAS**, since 1991, counties in the State of New York were permitted to assess a surcharge on landlines and post-paid cellphones, if they sought permission to exercise home rule authority through the New York State legislature, to assist in funding E911 systems operating within the counties, and

**WHEREAS**, the New York State legislature authorized these counties to collect the surcharge under the provisions of Article 6 of the County Law, as long as the county seeking to do so applied for and was granted permission by the State legislature and the Governor, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County remains one of approximately eight counties out of the 62 in New York that has never sought permission to impose this surcharge, and

**WHEREAS**, on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017, as a part of the adoption of the 2017-2018 State budget, the legislature and the Governor repealed the authority granted to certain localities under Article 6 of the County Law to impose a wireless communications surcharge and, instead, created Tax Law § 186-g, authorizing New York City and all counties outside of New York City to impose a new State-administered wireless surcharge on both post-paid cellphones and pre-paid cellphones, and

**WHEREAS**, the Tax Law authorizes the imposition of the surcharge on customers of every "wireless communications service" within the county, and

**WHEREAS**, the State has permitted the creation of this surcharge to provide a source of revenue to support the development and maintenance of Emergency 911 call systems operating within a county, and

**WHEREAS**, all revenue generated from the imposition of this surcharge is for payment of system costs, eligible wireless 911 service costs, or other costs associated with the administration, design, installation, construction, operation, or maintenance of public safety communications networks or a system to provide enhanced wireless 911 service serving such the county, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators recognizes the importance of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of St. Lawrence County and further recognizes that when the lives or property of citizens of the St. Lawrence County are in imminent danger a timely and appropriate assistance must be rendered, and

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**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators finds that the enhanced emergency telephone service known as E911 provides substantial benefits beyond the basic 911 system through the provision of selective routing and automatic number and location identification, and that these enhancements significantly reduce the response time of emergency services, and

**WHEREAS**, the surcharge shall be used to pay the costs associated with obtaining and maintaining the telecommunication equipment and telephone services needed to provide the E911 service within St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, the law requires that adoption of a local law be preceded by a public hearing,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that a Public Hearing on proposed Local Law C (No. ) for the Year 2024, will be held at 5:50 p.m. on June 3, 2024, in the Legislative Board Room, subject to approval of the Rules of Procedure for 2024.

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW C (NO. ) FOR THE YEAR 2024, “A LOCAL LAW  
OF THE COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE IMPOSING THE WIRELESS  
COMMUNICATIONS SURCHARGES PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF  
TAX LAW §186-g”**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence, as follows:

Section 1. Imposition of wireless communications surcharges.

(a) Pursuant to the authority of Tax Law § 186-g, there are hereby imposed and there shall be paid surcharges within the territorial limits of the County of St. Lawrence on: (i) wireless communications service provided to a wireless communications customer with a place of primary use within such county, at the rate of thirty cents per month on each wireless communications device in service during any part of the month; and (ii) the retail sale of prepaid wireless communications service sold within such county, at the rate of thirty cents per retail sale, whether or not any tangible personal property is sold therewith.

(b) Wireless communications service suppliers shall begin to add such surcharge to the billings of its customers and prepaid wireless communications sellers shall begin to collect such surcharge from its customers commencing December 1, 2024.

(c) Each wireless communications service supplier and prepaid wireless communications seller is entitled to retain, as an administrative fee, an amount equal to three percent of its collections of the surcharges imposed by this Local Law, provided that the supplier or seller files any required return and remits the surcharges due to the New York State Commissioner of Taxation and Finance on or before the due date for that return and that payment.

Section 2. Administration of surcharges.

The surcharges imposed by this Local Law shall be administered and collected by the New York State Commissioner of Taxation and Finance as provided in paragraph (8) of Tax Law § 186-g,

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and in a like manner as the taxes imposed by Articles Twenty-eight and Twenty-nine of the Tax Law.

Section 3. Applicability of State law to surcharges imposed by this Local Law.

All the provisions of Tax Law § 186-g shall apply to the surcharges imposed by this Local Law with the same force and effect as if those provisions had been set forth in full in this Local Law, except to the extent that any of those provisions is either inconsistent with or not relevant to the surcharges imposed by this Local Law.

Section 4.

Net collections received by St. Lawrence County from the surcharges imposed by this Local Law shall be expended only upon authorization of the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence and only for payment of system costs, eligible wireless 911 service costs, or other costs associated with the administration, design, installation, construction, operation, or maintenance of public safety communications networks or a system to provide enhanced wireless 911 service serving such county, as provided in paragraph (9) of Tax Law § 186-g, including, but not limited to, hardware, software, consultants, financing and other acquisition costs.

The County shall separately account for and keep adequate books and records of the amount and object or purpose of all expenditures of all such monies. If, at the end of any fiscal year, the total amount of all such monies exceeds the amount necessary for payment of the above mentioned costs in such fiscal year, such excess shall be reserved and carried over for the payment of those costs in the following fiscal year.

Section 5. Effective date.

This Local Law shall take effect December 1, 2024.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 148-2024 Entitled “Setting a Date for a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law C (No.   ) for the Year 2024, “A Local Law of the County of St. Lawrence Imposing the Wireless Communications Surcharges Pursuant to the Authority of Tax Law §186-g”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

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Operations Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 149-2024

**CALLING ON THE GOVERNOR TO COMPLETE ENHANCED FEDERAL MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PERCENTAGE RECONCILIATIONS THAT ARE YEARS OVERDUE AND PROVIDE A FULL ACCOUNTING OF FUNDS OWED TO COUNTIES AND NEW YORK CITY AND A SCHEDULE FOR RELEASE OF THESE FEDERAL FUNDS**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the funding to support the Medicaid program is provided by a combination of federal, state and local resources, and

**WHEREAS**, the state requires the counties and New York City to contribute \$7.6 billion annually to pay for the federal and state defined and controlled program, and

**WHEREAS**, additionally, counties and New York City also voluntarily contribute about \$1 billion annually to draw down available federal funds to support publicly owned or supported nursing homes, clinics, and hospitals, and

**WHEREAS**, the local share the state requires counties and New York City to pay is the highest of any state in the country, and

**WHEREAS**, this large local funding share for Medicaid and other state programs is a major contributor to New York's high local tax burden compared to other states, and

**WHEREAS**, under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) and the COVID era the federal government provided an enhanced Medicaid matching share (eFMAP), which has saved New York state billions of dollars, and

**WHEREAS**, the state has utilized a methodology that provides 80 percent of these estimated federal savings to counties in the year the costs accrue followed by a reconciliation in the following year of the remaining 20 percent of savings, and

**WHEREAS**, for the first three years after enactment of the Affordable Care Act the state followed through on a relatively timely basis with the initial pass through of savings based on 80 percent of the estimated value of these federal savings to counties and New York City and the reconciling the remaining 20 percent, and

**WHEREAS**, the last completed reconciliation and transfer of federal savings owed to counties was for state fiscal year 2015-16 with the reconciliation being implemented in December of 2020, and

**WHEREAS**, as of February 1, 2024, counties and New York City are waiting on seven years of unfinished reconciliations, and

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**WHEREAS**, the only accounting counties have received from the state of the unreconciled eFMAP funds have come via FOIL requests for SFY 2017-2020, and

**WHEREAS**, as of February 8, 2022, 34 counties have received responses from DOH to their FOIL inquiries and that these calculations show that up to \$232 million is owed to these counties from Affordable Care Act eFMAP reconciliations, and

**WHEREAS**, the state utilized the same 80 percent pass through methodology for the distribution of federal COVID eFMAP savings provided from 2020-2024, but no reconciliations have been completed for these years, and

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Association of Counties has submitted FOIL requests on behalf of all counties for federal COVID eFMAP savings distributed to counties, and

**WHEREAS**, the federal COVID eFMAP savings are mandated to be shared with counties under federal law, and

**WHEREAS**, the state identified at the beginning of the COVID crisis that the local share of these federal savings would be about 17.8 percent, but publicly available data indicates only about 12.7 percent has been shared with counties and this has required NYSAC to FOIL the New York State Department of Health because hundreds of millions of dollars in federal savings have yet to distributed, and

**WHEREAS**, because the state is withholding these federal funds it requires counties and New York City to reserve funds locally to make up for the loss, meaning local taxes have been kept higher than they need to be over multiple years, or local services are scaled back or eliminated,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators calls on the Governor to complete enhanced federal medical assistance percentage reconciliations that are years overdue and provide a full accounting of funds owed to Counties and New York City and a schedule for release of these federal funds,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Mark Walczyk, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, and Assemblyman Scott Gray.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 149-2024 Entitled "Calling on the Governor to Complete Enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage Reconciliations that are Years Overdue and Provide a Full Accounting of Funds Owed to Counties and New York City and a Schedule for Release of these Federal Funds", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

*Kelly S. Bigwarfe*  
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Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
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RESOLUTION NO. 150-2024

**SUPPORTING AN EXTENSION ON THE ALLOWING SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS  
TO PROVIDE SERVICES IN THE EARLY INTERVENTION**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the SFY 2025 Executive Budget recommendation discontinues the authorization allowing school psychologists to provide services in the Early Intervention Program (EIP), and

**WHEREAS**, federal level changes making Early Intervention (EI) services provided by school psychologists no longer eligible for Medicaid reimbursement have resulted in New York State moving away from utilizing these providers in the EI Program, and

**WHEREAS**, to this point extensions have been granted to continue to allow the provision of EI services by school psychologists in recognition of ongoing provider capacity shortages in the EIP, and

**WHEREAS**, the SFY 2025 Executive Budget proposal continues to provide an extension on the use of school psychologists in the 4410 Pre-School Special Education Program (Pre-K SEP), and

**WHEREAS**, school psychologists may provide multi-disciplinary evaluations and services to children transitioning from the EIP to Pre-K SEP, and

**WHEREAS**, as of August 2023, counties reported that there were 7,360 children across New York State waiting for EI services, and

**WHEREAS**, this represents a 28% increase in children waiting for services since 2022 and an over 500% increase in children waiting for services since 2020, and

**WHEREAS**, this number includes approximately 1,000 children waiting for evaluations, and behavioral and developmental services that could be provided by school psychologists, and

**WHEREAS**, the overall provider capacity challenges in the EIP and lack of capacity specific to mental health services have resulted in children waiting months to receive critical services, and

**WHEREAS**, restricting any provider capacity in the EIP impedes the need to expand the currently limited provider pool,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators supports an extension on the allowing school psychologist to provide services in the Early Intervention, and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Mark Walczyk, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, and Assemblyman Scott Gray.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 150-2024 Entitled “Supporting an Extension on the Allowing School Psychologists to Provide Services in the Early Intervention”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

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Operations Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 151-2024

**CALLING ON THE STATE TO INCREASE THE SALARY CAP FOR RETIRED  
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES SEEKING COUNTY EMPLOYMENT**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, under current state law a retired public employee may only earn up to \$35,000 annually if retained/rehired to a state or local government position without this salary impacting their retirement benefits, and

**WHEREAS**, any retired public employee salary amount over \$35,000 will result in a decrease in pension payments for the employee, and

**WHEREAS**, the \$35,000 cap was set in 2019, with the intent of minimizing misuse in hiring practices, while at the same time providing enough incentive for employees with broad experience and institutional knowledge to be retained in a government service capacity, and

**WHEREAS**, this cap has been adjusted just once since 2007 at a rate of \$5,000 and this increase has eroded in value due to inflation over this time, and

**WHEREAS**, the ability to hire enough qualified public employees on the State and county level to perform our residents' needed services has reached crisis level, and

**WHEREAS**, this hiring crisis during COVID resulted in an Executive Order action allowing for the removal of the \$35,000 cap to help ease this issue, unfortunately, this was a limited allowance and the Executive Order expired in 2023, and

**WHEREAS**, New York counties have unique challenges when hiring for certain skilled or knowledge-based positions due to each county having different populations, economics, and demographics including but not limited to retired corrections deputy sheriffs, school resource officers, public health nurses, registered nurses, caseworkers, mental health professionals, and other critical positions, and

**WHEREAS**, county governments are being asked to provide more services with less funding, a goal that becomes more difficult when those who best understand local government service needs are retiring and their continued connection to public service in a limited fashion is being deterred by state policies, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2023 a bill was introduced (S.3144D, Mannion) that recognizes adjusting this cap to \$50,000 will provide the State and the local governments more hiring options when they seek to fill a position that requires unique skill sets, government experience, and, in some cases, reduces health insurance costs as the person is already retired,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators calls on the State to increase the salary cap for retired public employees seeking county employment, and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Mark Walczyk, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, and Assemblyman Scott Gray.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 151-2024 Entitled “Calling on the State to Increase the Salary Cap for Retired Public Employees Seeking County Employment”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

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Operations Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 152-2024

**CALLING ON THE STATE TO FULLY REIMBURSE COUNTIES FOR  
DISTRICT ATTORNEY SALARY INCREASES THAT ARE SET AND  
CONTROLLED BY THE STATE**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, on December 4, 2023, the New York State Commission on Legislative, Judicial, and Executive Compensation voted to recommend a 10 percent increase in state judge salaries in 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, it is anticipated that on April 1, 2024 the State Legislature will approved the Commission's recommendation and place State Court Judges' salaries at \$232,600 up from \$210,900, and

**WHEREAS**, New York State Judiciary Law Section 183-a links judicial salaries to county District Attorney (DA) salaries, requiring them to be equal to or higher than the State Judges within their county, and

**WHEREAS**, historically when the state increased State Judge salaries in the 1980s and 1990s, the State fully funded all DA salary increases imposed on the counties, recognizing without this funding the increase would be an unfunded mandate, and

**WHEREAS**, the District Attorneys Association of the State of New York (DAASNY), recognizing the automatic nature of these increases and its effect on local county budgets, and further to support the counties' position, requested in correspondence with state officials that the state fund this salary increase, and

**WHEREAS**, the State Legislature has stated they understand the importance of not shifting more state generated costs to the local tax base, mindful of the impact locally with the state-imposed property tax cap, and

**WHEREAS**, the State Legislature has recognized lowering property taxes is the main priority to ensure a healthy Upstate New York economy, and

**WHEREAS**, for smaller counties, the D.A. salary increase can represent nearly one third of their total allowable property tax growth for all government operations,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators calls on the State to fully reimburse counties for district attorney salary increases that are set and controlled by the State, and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Mark Walczyk, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, and Assemblyman Scott Gray.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 152-2024 Entitled “Calling on the State to Fully Reimburse Counties for District Attorney Salary Increases that are Set and Controlled by the State”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

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Operations Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 153-2024

**URGING THE GOVERNOR AND STATE LEGISLATURE TO RESTORE  
ESSENTIAL FUNDING FOR RABIES IN THE FY 2024-25 STATE BUDGET**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, Governor Hochul completely eliminates the \$1.45 million appropriation for rabies prevention in her FY 2024-25 Executive Budget proposal, and

**WHEREAS**, local health departments (LHDs) are the only health entities in New York State that are statutorily required to provide core public health services in communities across New York State, including the suppression of human rabies, and

**WHEREAS**, unless treated soon after exposure, rabies is a fatal disease, and

**WHEREAS**, New York State statute recognizes the severity of this disease and therefore maintains strong statutory requirements for counties to reduce the risk of contracting rabies and assure treatment for anyone who is exposed to the disease, including an obligation for counties to cover the costs of human post-exposure treatment for individuals who lack the ability to pay for treatment and to offer free quarterly rabies vaccination clinics for cats, dogs, and domestic ferrets, and

**WHEREAS**, other statutory requirements for counties include prompt investigation of reports of exposure; arrangements for disposition of animals involved, including confinement and observation; quarantines; vaccination boosters; euthanasia; testing and collection; preparation; and submission of animal specimens to the state rabies lab for diagnosis, and

**WHEREAS**, most of the state pre-exposure prophylaxis funding for rabies prevention and control via oral rabies vaccine (ORV) animal baiting was originally eliminated in 2009, despite the necessity of this preemptive measure to control the spread of rabid animals, and

**WHEREAS**, since then, a small portion of the original \$1.45 million appropriation that NYSDOH spent annually on animal control outside New York City, including ORV baiting, was allocated via contracts to the 57 counties outside New York City, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2021, the last full year for which data is available, LHDs collected and submitted 5,223 animal specimens for rabies testing, and

**WHEREAS**, NYSAC and NYSACHO strongly oppose the elimination of this funding, as it supports these statutorily required, life-saving public health protections and eliminating this funding results in a direct cost shift to local taxpayers and runs the risk of undermining the life-saving goals that New York's strong rabies statutes provide, and

**WHEREAS**, because rabies falls under the provisions of Article 6, the services supported are eligible public health expenses, and, therefore, the projected potential savings to

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the State would not be fully realized because they will be offset by increased and unbudgeted claims to state aid,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators urges the Governor and State Legislature to restore essential funding for rabies in the FY 2024-25 State Budget, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Mark Walczyk, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, and Assemblyman Scott Gray.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 153-2024 Entitled “Urging the Governor and State Legislature to Restore Essential Funding for Rabies in the FY 2024-25 State Budget”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024



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Operations Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 154-2024

**SUPPORTING SENATE BILL S.2695-B AND ASSEMBLY BILL A.7086-A  
TO ENSURE SHERIFFS AND UNDERSHERIFFS CONTINUE TO HAVE  
POLICE OFFICER POWERS**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, Sheriffs are elected law enforcement officials established by the New York State Constitution, and

**WHEREAS**, historically, those individuals inhabiting the office of both Sheriff and Undersheriff were imbued with the legal authority of police officers solely by virtue of holding those positions, and

**WHEREAS**, the statutory exemption granting Sheriffs and Undersheriffs police officer powers as a component of holding the office, absent any other prerequisite training, was ostensibly repealed as a component of the Professional Policing Act, and

**WHEREAS**, such statutory change has narrowed the field of qualified candidates for Sheriff, since individuals who are already police officers can credibly claim that their civilian opponent, if elected, will not be a police officer, thereby diminishing the pool of aspiring public servants who could bring diversity and new perspectives to the Office of Sheriff,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators supports Senate Bill S.2695-B and Assembly Bill A.7086-A to ensure sheriffs and undersheriffs continue to have police officer powers, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Mark Walczyk, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, and Assemblyman Scott Gray.

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE        )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 154-2024 Entitled "Supporting Senate Bill S.2695-B and Assembly Bill A.7086-A to Ensure Sheriffs and Undersheriffs Continue to have Police Officer Powers", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Operations Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 155-2024

**ENCOURAGING GOVERNOR KATHY HOCHUL AND THE NEW YORK STATE  
LEGISLATURE TO INCREASE THE MEDICATION ASSISTED TREATMENT (MAT)  
BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FOR COUNTY JAILS**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, local correctional facilities are now obligated by Mental Hygiene Law Section 19.18-c to provide Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Services to incarcerated individuals who have been diagnosed with a substance use disorder, and

**WHEREAS**, the provision of MAT must also be accompanied by tangential therapeutic services ranging from counseling, to peer support, to discharge planning, and

**WHEREAS**, in many circumstances obtaining the specific medications necessary to be compliant with the law, particularly methadone, is a costly and time intensive endeavor, and

**WHEREAS**, the annual appropriation provided in the State's Aid To Localities Budget has remained static at the insufficient amount of \$8.865 million, to support the efforts of 56 county jails,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators encourages Governor Kathy Hochul and the New York State Legislature to increase the Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Budget allocations for county jails, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Mark Walczyk, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, and Assemblyman Scott Gray.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 155-2024 Entitled "Encouraging Governor Kathy Hochul and the New York State Legislature to Increase the Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Budget Allocations for County Jails", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
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Finance Committee: 4-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 156-2024

**SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW D  
(NO. \_\_) FOR THE YEAR 2024, AMENDING LOCAL LAW 1 FOR THE YEAR 2018, “A  
LOCAL LAW PERMITTING AND REGULATING ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE  
OPERATION ON CERTAIN COUNTY ROADS”**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County (hereafter, “County”) has developed and established a County-Wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators determined that authorizing the development of a County-Wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System will capitalize on the open space and forestry assets of the region to provide quality outdoor recreation activities for visitors and residents, stimulating and supporting local business and regional economic development, and conserving the natural resources for future generations, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators determined that the preparation of a Multi-Use Recreational Trail Plan is necessary and appropriate to set forth the management goals and objectives as well as operational guidelines for the proposed County-Wide trail system, and

**WHEREAS**, by Resolution No. 262-2010, dated July 26, 2010, and pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law of the State of New York, as amended, and Title 6, Part 617.2 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations (“NYCRR”) implementing Article 8 (collectively referred to hereinafter as “SEQRA”), the County initiated the environmental review of the proposed development of a County-Wide Multi-Use Recreational trail System, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators determined that the development of a County-Wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System constituted a “resource management plan” as that term is defined by Part 6 NYCRR § 617.4(b)(1) of the implementing regulations, declared the Multi-Use Recreational Trail System to be a Type I action pursuant to SEQRA, and declared itself lead agency for SEQRA review, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators determined that pursuant to Part 6 NYCRR § 617.6(a)(4), preparation of a draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (“GEIS”) would better serve the Board in assessing potential environmental impacts, and directed that a draft GEIS be prepared and filed in lieu of submittal of an Environmental Assessment Form (“EAF”),

**WHEREAS**, to address all the potential environmental impacts associated with those aspects of the proposed Multi-Use Recreational Trail System that could be identified, as well as to provide a framework for assessing such impacts for potential future additions to the Multi-Use Recreational Trail System, the County prepared a Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (“DGEIS”) pursuant to SEQRA, and

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**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 149-2011, adopted May 2, 2011, by the Board of Legislators determined that the DGEIS was complete and as a result, the DGEIS was deemed adequate for the purpose of commencing public review of the document, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators caused a Notice of Completion to be filed and published in the Environmental News Bulletin in accordance with SEQRA requirements, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators has caused a Final GEIS (“FGEIS”) to be prepared which contains responses to the comments received from the public, both written and oral, as well as responses to the comments received from involved agencies, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators, by Resolution No. 271-2012, adopted on November 5, 2012, declared its intent to accept the Final GEIS for the County-Wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System, and

**WHEREAS**, it has always been anticipated that additional trail segments would be added on an incremental basis in the future to the County-Wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System, and

**WHEREAS**, the County has also anticipated creating an alternate trail system through the FGEIS in order to prepare for and control any breakage or discontinued use of portions of the main trail once completed, and

**WHEREAS**, the alternate trail system will cross the entire County and connect the trail systems of Franklin County and Lewis County to the St. Lawrence County-Wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System just as the main trail will, and

**WHEREAS**, the alternate trail system will permit the County to continue to work on the permanent Multi-Use Recreational Trail while allowing trail users to enjoy the resources and trail system of St. Lawrence County, with the intention of the county being to shut down the alternate trail once completion of the main trail occurs, and

**WHEREAS**, the FGEIS has established an Environmental Checklist for new trail segments (FGEIS Appendix A) to be used to assess the environmental impacts associated with potential future trail segments which, when completed, fulfills the SEQRA process by linking the proposed segment to the FGEIS, and

**WHEREAS**, the FGEIS Appendix A has been updated to include the alternate trail system route, and

**WHEREAS**, a trail segment referred to as the Alternate St. Lawrence County-Wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail extending from the open trail on Tooley Pond Road in Russell to the existing trail in Pitcairn, passing through the Town of Edwards has been determined to be added to the County-Wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System and for which the aforementioned Environmental Checklist has been completed, and

**WHEREAS**, the law requires that adoption of a local law be preceded by a public hearing,

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that a public hearing on proposed Local Law D (No. \_\_) for the year 2024, will be held at 5:40 p.m. on June 3, 2024, in the Legislative Board Room, subject to approval of the Rules of Procedure for 2024.

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW D (NO. \_\_) FOR THE YEAR 2024, AMENDING  
LOCAL LAW 1 FOR THE YEAR 2018, “A LOCAL LAW PERMITTING AND  
REGULATING ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE OPERATION ON  
CERTAIN COUNTY ROADS”**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence as follows:

Section 1. The County of St. Lawrence hereby amends Local Law 1 for the Year 2018, a local law permitting and regulating all-terrain vehicle operation on certain County roads, specifically, **Section 4.** To add five (5) additional roads to read as follows:

Section 4. **Designated Roads & Bridges**

- ee) County Route 27 from Tooley Pond to County Route 17; 0.49 miles
- ff) County Route 17 from County Route 27 to McCarthy Road; 0.8 miles
- gg) County Route 17 from Silver Hill Road to Dana Hill Road; 1.34 miles
- hh) County Route 17 from Dana Hill Road to County Route 24 Trail Head; 2 miles
- ii) County Route 24 from Given Road to Hamlet of Edwards line; 2 miles
- jj) County Bridge McCarthy Road; BIN 3221730

Section 2. Effective Date

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State and satisfactory completion of Appendix A for the County Corridor SEQR.

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE        )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 156-2024 Entitled “Setting a Date for a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law D (No. \_\_) for the Year 2024, Amending Local Law 1 for the Year 2018, “A Local Law Permitting and Regulating All-Terrain Vehicle Operation on Certain County Roads””, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Finance Committee: 4-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 157-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH BARTON AND LOGUIDICE, D.P.C, TO PROVIDE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES TO PREPARE APPENDIX A FOR THE NEW TRAIL SEGMENT IN THE TOWN OF EDWARDS AS INCLUDED IN THE FINAL GENERIC IMPACT STUDY (FGIS) FOR THE MULTI-USE RECREATIONAL TRAIL**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, on June 5, 2017, the Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 193-2017, amending a Local Law permitting and regulating all-terrain vehicle operation on certain County roads, and

**WHEREAS**, this Local Law took effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State and satisfactory completion of Appendix A as included in the Final Generic Impact Study (FGIS) for the Multi-Use Trail System, and

**WHEREAS**, a new trail segment in the Town of Edwards area will be added to the St. Lawrence County Multi-Use Trail System, and

**WHEREAS**, Barton and Loguidice, D.P.C. has agreed to provide environmental services needed to prepare the Appendix A-Environmental Checklist for the new trail segment for a fee not to exceed \$10,000 (BF079894 43007 TRAIL),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Barton and Loguidice, D.P.C., to provide environmental services to prepare Appendix A for the new trail segment in the Town of Edwards as included in the FGIS for the Multi-Use Recreational Trail, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 157-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Barton and Loguidice, D.P.C, to Provide Environmental Services to Prepare Appendix A for the New Trail Segment in the Town of Edwards as Included in the Final Generic Impact Study (FGIS) for the Multi-Use Recreational Trail", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
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Finance Committee: 4-22-2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 158-2024**

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY  
ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE FOR THE MULTI-USE RECREATIONAL TRAIL**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 County Administrator's Budget includes appropriations for the St. Lawrence County Multi-Use Trail Fund, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board approved Resolution No. 137-2023, authorizing Barton and Loguidice, D.P.C., to prepare an Appendix A for the segment from Morgan Road to Picketville Road, and

**WHEREAS**, the project for Morgan Road to Picketville Road will not be completed in 2024, so the request is made to adjust the Budget for 2024,

**WHEREAS**, as requested by the County Trail Coordinator, more supplies are needed for property maintenance on the trails, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to make the following modifications to the 2024 Budget for the County Administrator's Office for the Multi-Use Recreational Trail, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

BF079894 40800 TRAIL	B Trail Property Maintenance	\$10,000
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**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

BF079894 43007 TRAIL	B Trail Other Fees & Services	\$10,000
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Budget for the Trail will be monitored closely.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 158-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Budget for the County Administrator's Office for the Multi-Use Recreational Trail", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

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Finance Committee: 4-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 159-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH  
NATIONAL GRID FOR RELOCATION OF UTILITIES REGARDING THE  
BROWN’S FALLS ROAD BRIDGE PROJECT**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Highways will be replacing Brown’s Falls Road Bridge, BIN 3340920, in the Town of Fine, in 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, National Grid (Niagara Mohawk) presently owns and operates utilities that are in conflict with the construction of Brown’s Falls Road Bridge project, and

**WHEREAS**, National Grid has estimated the cost to relocate the utilities at approximately \$140,000 (HM551104 465CO B27),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an agreement with National Grid for the relocation of utilities regarding the Brown’s Falls Road Bridge Project, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 159-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement with National Grid for Relocation of Utilities Regarding the Brown’s Falls Road Bridge Project”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
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Finance Committee: 4-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 160-2024

**AMENDING THE OFFICIAL COUNTY HIGHWAY MAP TO REFLECT  
A TRANSFER OF PROPERTY BETWEEN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY  
AND THE TOWN OF FOWLER**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Highway Law §102, the County Highway Superintendent shall “have supervision of all roads and bridges comprising the county highway system, together with any other roads, bridges, including bridges over canals and railroad bridges and state and interstate highways for which responsibility is imposed upon the county under any lawful agreement made by the county or under any other provision of law”, and

**WHEREAS**, an official order by New York State, Order No. 1446, dated December 2, 1982, affirms County ownership of the .13 miles of the Balmat-Fowler Road between Little York Road and State Route 812 being established as a County Road, and

**WHEREAS**, an official order by New York State, Order No. 2305, dated September 20, 1993, affirms County ownership of the .18 miles of the Balmat-Fowler Road between Pumphouse Road and State Highway 812 is a County Road, and

**WHEREAS**, in January 2024, the Town Highway Superintendent for the Town of Fowler proposed a swap of segments of roadway to accurately reflect usage of the roadways within the Town road system and the County road system, and

**WHEREAS**, the proposal consists of reciprocated transfers whereby the County would convey ownership of Balmat-Fowler Road, State Highway 58 to Little York Road, approximately .13 miles in length and Balmat-Fowler Road, from Pumphouse Road to State Highway 812, approximately .18 miles in length to the Town of Fowler, and

**WHEREAS**, the proposal envisions an exchange whereby the Town of Fowler would convey ownership of Emeryville Road, from County Route 22 to Emeryville Road Bridge (B.I.N. 2259360), approximately .13 miles in length to St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, the Highway Superintendent has reviewed the proposed segments for transfer and has concluded that such parcels do not serve a County purpose in the current road inventory and the additional parcels are consistent with County usage and need, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Highway Law § 115, “The county superintendent of highways of each county shall prepare a map showing a proposed county road system for such county to be constructed with moneys from the county road fund, such system not to include a state highway, except that a designated state highway not under state maintenance may be included in such system and be improved by a county....[t]hereafter, except as otherwise provided by section one hundred fourteen of this chapter, no road shall be constructed, reconstructed or maintained with any such county road fund moneys except the road set forth on such map,...(and) [a]mendments

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to such map may from time to time be made by such county superintendent and if approved by such board of supervisors....,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes amending the Official County Map to reflect a transfer of property between St. Lawrence County and the Town of Fowler, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators approves the transfer of Balmat-Fowler Road, State Highway 58 to Little York Road, approximately .13 miles in length and Balmat-Fowler Road, from Pumphouse Road to State Highway 812, approximately .18 miles in length, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County of St. Lawrence accepts the section of Emeryville Road, from County Route 22 to Emeryville Road Bridge (BIN 2259360), approximately .13 miles in length, from the Town of Fowler, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that upon adoption, St. Lawrence County accepts maintenance, repair, and legal responsibilities of said roadway, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this amendment is contingent upon receipt of a certified resolution from the Town of Fowler affirming said transfers of roadways.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
   ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE             )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 160-2024 Entitled "Amending the Official County Highway Map to Reflect a Transfer of Property Between St. Lawrence County and the Town of Fowler", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
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May 6, 2024

Finance Committee: 4-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 161-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH SLATE HILL  
CONSTRUCTORS FOR REPLACEMENT OF TOWN LINE ROAD BRIDGE  
OVER LISBON CREEK, BIN 3366670, TOWN OF OSWEGATCHIE**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators approved and funded Capital Bridge Projects in its 2024 Budget, and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Highways has solicited bids for the replacement of Town Line Road Bridge over Lisbon Creek, BIN 3366670, and

**WHEREAS**, the lowest responsible bidder for this project has been determined,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators does hereby approve the following contract to:

Contractor:	Slate Hill Constructors
Contract Title:	Town Line Road Bridge over Lisbon Creek, BIN 3366670, Town of Oswegatchie
Contract Amount:	Not to Exceed \$712,000 HM551124 465CO B6

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Slate Hill Constructors for replacement of Town Line Road Bridge over Lisbon Creek, BIN 3366670, Town of Oswegatchie, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 161-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Slate Hill Constructors for Replacement of Town Line Road Bridge over Lisbon Creek, BIN 3366670, Town of Oswegatchie", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
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St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Finance Committee: 4-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 162-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A LEASE WITH WASTE STREAM, INC.,  
DBA CASELLA WASTE SERVICES, FOR THE LEASE OF EQUIPMENT  
FOR THE SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Waste Stream Management Inc., dba Casella Waste Services, wants to lease equipment to the Solid Waste Department for the purpose of transporting recyclables from Parishville to Liverpool, and

**WHEREAS**, the County Transfer Stations, in their current configurations, are not equipped to manage an approximate one-hundred percent (100%) increase in volume, and

**WHEREAS**, the cost is one-dollar (\$1) per year to lease three (3) trailers (WH081604 42100 RECY), and

**WHEREAS**, under the terms of the lease, the Solid Waste Department is responsible for any repairs to the leased equipment, and

**WHEREAS**, the term of this contract will be for three (3) years from May 1, 2024 to May 1, 2027,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign the lease with Waste Stream Inc., dba Casella Waste Services, for the lease of equipment for the Solid Waste Department, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 162-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Lease with Waste Stream, Inc., DBA Casella Waste Services, for the Lease of Equipment for the Solid Waste Department", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

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Finance Committee: 4-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 163-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
WITH THE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE NORTH COUNTRY (DANC)  
FOR COLLECTION DISPOSED PAINT**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC) has partnered with PaintCare for the collection and disposal of paint, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 118-2024, was adopted April 1, 2024, authorizing the Chair to sign an agreement with PaintCare New York LLC for paint disposal, and

**WHEREAS**, DANC will be providing staff, at no cost to the County, to collect the discarded paint from the Highway Facility located at 44 Park Street, in the Village of Canton,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC) for collection disposed paint, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 163-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign Memorandum of Understanding with the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC) for Collection Disposed Paint", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
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Finance Committee: 4-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 164-2024

**AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT OF A PROPERTY DAMAGE CLAIM ASSOCIATED  
WITH THE ALLEN’S FALLS ROAD BRIDGE IN THE TOWN OF PARISHVILLE**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, on February 7, 2024, there was a motor vehicle accident on the Allen’s Falls Road Bridge in the town of Parishville resulting in a significant amount of damage to the guard rail, and the County is the legal owner of this bridge, and

**WHEREAS**, the vehicle, operated by Paul Merrill, was insured for purposes of property damage claims, by Progressive Insurance, and

**WHEREAS**, a claim was submitted to Progressive Insurance in the amount of \$9,583.58, representing the parts, equipment, and labor necessary for the repairs, and

**WHEREAS**, on or about March 21, 2024, Progressive Insurance offered the County \$8,689.45 to settle this claim, and

**WHEREAS**, the settlement proposal represents a twenty percent (20%) reduction of the material costs listed to account for depreciation; however, it would result in finality and avoid the costs of litigation on the matter,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes settlement of a property damage claim associated with the Allen’s Falls Road Bridge in the Town of Parishville, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County of St. Lawrence, acting through the County Administrator, the County Attorney, or any other authorized agent is, upon receipt of appropriate general releases in a form approved by the County Attorney, is hereby directed to settle this claim on behalf of the County of St. Lawrence.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 164-2024 Entitled “Authorizing Settlement of a Property Damage Claim Associated with the Allen’s Falls Road Bridge in the Town of Parishville”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Finance Committee: 4-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 165-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH  
CLARKSON UNIVERSITY REGARDING THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY  
MULTI-USE TRAIL SYSTEM**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Perkins, District 7

**WHEREAS**, a primary Economic Development Initiative for St Lawrence County is the development of a multi-use trail that seeks to increase tourism and increase business traffic for businesses in the County, and

**WHEREAS**, the St Lawrence County Legislature supports this initiative and have worked collaboratively toward the timely completion of the trail, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators determined that authorizing the development of a County-wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System would capitalize on the open space and forestry assets of the region to provide quality outdoor recreation activities for visitors and residents, stimulating and supporting local business and regional economic development, and conserving the natural resources for future generations, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators determined that the preparation of a Multi-Use Recreational Trail Plan was necessary and appropriate to set forth the management goals and objectives as well as operational guidelines for the proposed county-wide trail system, and

**WHEREAS**, by Resolution No. 262-2010, dated July 26, 2010, and pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law of the State of New York, as amended, and Title 6, Part 617.2 of the New York Codes, Rules and Regulations (“NYCRR”) implementing Article 8 (collectively referred to hereinafter as “SEQRA”), the County initiated the environmental review of the proposed development of a County-wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System, and

**WHEREAS**, to address all the potential environmental impacts associated with those aspects of the proposed Multi-Use Recreational Trail System that could be identified, as well as to provide a framework for assessing such impacts for potential future additions to the Multi-Use Recreational Trail System, the County prepared a Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (“DGEIS”) pursuant to SEQRA, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 271-2012, was adopted on November 5, 2012, with intent to accept the Final GEIS for the County-Wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2021, the Board of Legislators passed a new local law designed to re-establish the St. Lawrence County Multi-Trail System and create a permitting process for all-terrain vehicle enthusiasts who use the trail system, and

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**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators has received anecdotal evidence of increased usage and growing popularity of the trail system, but is seeking empirical data to assess the viability and strength of the trail system, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County enjoys the luxury of having four (4) academic institutions that lead in their respective fields and who have knowledge with which to help the County with its various endeavors, and

**WHEREAS**, among the four universities is Clarkson University, a proven academic leader in technological education, research, innovation and sustainable economic development impacting more than 7,800 students annually through nationally recognized undergraduate and graduate STEM degrees in engineering, business, science and health professions; executive education, industry-relevant credentials and K-12 STEM programs, and

**WHEREAS**, Clarkson is uniquely suited to assist the County with pre-professional engineering services with respect to the Multi-Use Trail System, and

**WHEREAS**, preliminary engagement to assess interest has occurred between Clarkson University and County Administration, and

**WHEREAS**, the County is interested in exploring entering into a contract with Clarkson to obtain pre-professional services that will assist the County in assessing the strength and viability of the County trail system,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the chair to sign a contract with Clarkson University regarding the St. Lawrence County Multi-Use Trail System for pre-professional engineering services, upon approval of the County Attorney.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 165-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Clarkson University Regarding the St. Lawrence County Multi-Use Trail System", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024



May 6, 2024

Finance Committee: 4-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 166-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH JEDA  
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES UNDER THE BLIGHTED PROPERTY PROGRAM  
FOR THE DEMOLITION AND ABATEMENT OF TWO CONDEMNED STRUCTURES**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, each year the County forecloses on, and sells at auction, properties that are acquired by the County for the failure of a taxpayer to make payment upon their taxes, and

**WHEREAS**, periodically there are properties that are not turned over to a new owner through the auction process due to perceived deficiencies in the structures on the property, or the property itself, and

**WHEREAS**, properties that have been foreclosed upon that do not sell at the auction become a liability to the County and result in costs to maintain and continue to make local jurisdictions whole with respect to taxes assessed, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Article 11 of the Real Property Tax Law, the St. Lawrence County Treasurer (as Tax Enforcement Officer) and the County Attorney are entrusted with protecting the interests of the County with respect to tax delinquent parcels,

**WHEREAS**, as a part of the annual review of parcels performed by the St. Lawrence County Tax Foreclosure Team, it has been determined that there are a number of active and abandoned parcels that are encumbered by the presence of structural deterioration sufficient to constitute a threat to human health, safety, and community welfare, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2023, the Board of Legislators authorized the creation of the “Blighted Property Program”, designed to tackle blighted residential structures and augment the approach of the County to environmental clean-ups the County was already engaged in, and

**WHEREAS**, the Treasurer, County Attorney and the Tax Foreclosure Team have selected two (2) properties for demolition in the 2024 cycle and have solicited bids, and

**WHEREAS**, the Team recommends the demolition and removal of two (2) condemned structures known as 56,58 Sycamore & 98 Woodlawn, Town of Massena with Tax Map No. 405801 9.051-3-25 and 20 Larnard Street, Town of Potsdam with Tax Map No. 407403 64.050-3-7 as well as the awarding a contract for demolition and abatement services to JEDA Environmental Services,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators authorizes the chair to sign a contract with JEDA Environmental Services under the Blighted Property Program for the demolition and abatement of two condemned structures, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 166-2024 Entitled “Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with JEDA Environmental Services under the Blighted Property Program for the Demolition and Abatement of Two Condemned Structures”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Finance Committee: 4-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 167-2024

**RECOGNIZING THE GOOD WORK BEING DONE BY THE  
CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS AND CORRECTIONAL EMPLOYEES AT THE  
ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Lightfoot, District 3

**WHEREAS**, on May 5, 1984, President Ronald Reagan did proclaim that the first full week of May each year would be observed as National Correctional Officers Week, in recognition of the important role these officers play in our criminal justice system, and

**WHEREAS**, in the year 2021 Correctional Officers and other Correctional Employees continue to play that important role, but in an ever more stressful environment due to the too frequently shown lack of respect for authority, and especially for those engaged in criminal justice professions, which is sweeping our nation and the world, and

**WHEREAS**, even as President Reagan observed in his 1984 Proclamation, the position of Correctional Officer, once considered merely that of a “guard”, has become increasingly more complex and demanding, involving simultaneously custodial, supervisory, and counselling roles, and that complexity continues to grow, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators wishes to acknowledge the difficult job these officers and employees perform while locked inside a facility for a large part of their day, where they must securely, safely and humanely keep those committed to the jail, respecting the rights and dignity of all the inmates, including those who have been found guilty and those only awaiting adjudication, and

**WHEREAS**, the important and difficult role of Correctional Officers and Correctional Employees is not always recognized or appreciated by the general public,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators recognizes the good work being done by the Correctional Officers and Correctional Employees at the St. Lawrence County Correctional Facility, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators acknowledges the conscientious, difficult, and dedicated service our Correctional Officers and Correctional Employees perform for the People of St. Lawrence County, and does further extend to those good public servants our gratitude for jobs well done.

May 6, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 167-2024 Entitled “Recognizing the Good Work Being Done by the Correctional Officers and Correctional Employees at the St. Lawrence County Correctional Facility”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Finance Committee: 4-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 168-2024

**DECLARING MAY 15, 2024, TO BE PEACE OFFICER MEMORIAL DAY  
IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Lightfoot, District 3 and Ms. Curran, District 15

**WHEREAS**, by Presidential Executive Order and Resolution of the Congress, May 15 of each year is recognized as Peace Officer's Memorial Day, honoring all law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty, and

**WHEREAS**, the week in which Peace Officer Memorial Day falls is celebrated as National Police Week, recognizing the important role that all law enforcement officers play in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of all citizens, and

**WHEREAS**, law enforcement officers perform an essential public service under difficult circumstances, especially today, in view of the unrest of the Nation, and

**WHEREAS**, the vast majority of law enforcement officers are selfless public servants who accept as part of their profession being exposed to great danger in order to protect the life and property others, with, too often, tragic results, as we have already witnessed this year, and

**WHEREAS**, these dedicated officers deserve to be honored for their willingness to perform that essential public service on behalf of all our citizens, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators wishes to acknowledge the difficult job ask our Deputy Sheriffs and other police officers to perform, and to thank them for their willingness to do it, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators wants to recognize and honor all those law enforcement officers who, over the years, have lost their lives in the line of duty,

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT, RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators declares May 15, 2024, to be Peace Officer Memorial Day in St. Lawrence County, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators acknowledges and honors the service of the St. Lawrence County Deputy Sheriffs, and all other police officers who have served, and who are serving in the County.

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STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 168-2024 Entitled “Declaring May 15, 2024, to be Peace Officer Memorial Day in St. Lawrence County”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

Finance Committee: 4-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 169-2024

**SUPPORTING AN APPLICATION TO THE NYS CONNECTALL COUNTY  
PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM AND COMMITTING MATCHING FUNDS**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Ms. Terminelli, District 14

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators is committed to the expansion of and accessibility of broadband services throughout the County, and has demonstrated this commitment by allocating ARPA funds for infrastructure buildout that will make broadband service available to approximately one-half or 601 households in the County identified as having no access to service, and have partnered with the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC) to advance several other buildouts that have or will provide service to another 230 households, and

**WHEREAS**, New York State ConnectALL has issued a Request for Application (RFA) for the County Partnerships Program for buildouts in areas for which counties have initiated their own procurement process prior to the issuance of the RFA, and for which these counties are prepared to enter into enforceable commitments with service providers, pending sufficient funding, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County issued RFP 2023-04, Expanding Access to Broadband in St. Lawrence County, in January 2023, soliciting bids on 21 geographic “lots”, and

**WHEREAS**, funding has yet not been secured for approximately 48 households or “passings” from those lots, and

**WHEREAS**, building-out the area that encompasses these 48 households is anticipated to cost approximately \$600,000, and the ConnectALL Office requires twenty-five percent (25%) match of project costs to come from the applicant,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators supports an application to the New York State ConnectALL County Partnerships Program, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators commits up to \$150,000 in local funds as the required matching funds, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign any documentation necessary for the application, administration, reporting and close-out of this project, upon approval of the County Attorney.

May 6, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 169-2024 Entitled “Supporting an Application to the NYS ConnectAll County Partnerships Program and Committing Matching Funds”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024



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RESOLUTION NO. 170-2024

**AUTHORIZING FILLING OF VACANCIES**

By Mr. Perkins, District 7; Mr. Hull, District 8; and Mr. Webster, District 11

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 369-2019 and Resolution No. 253-2020 authorized the continuance of the current vacancy review process with a recommendation that the vacancies continue to be deliberated at each jurisdictional committee, but one resolution be created for all approved positions to be considered at the Regular Board Meeting, and

**WHEREAS**, the Vacancy Review Committee reviewed twelve (12) positions in five (5) departments, and of those reviewed three (3) positions were new positions, and three (3) positions will be abolished,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the fill of each of the following vacancies which have been reviewed and recommended to be filled or created and filled by the Vacancy Review Committee:

<b><u>Department/Unit:</u></b>	<b><u>Title:</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Type</u></b>	<b><u>Duration</u></b>	<b><u>Timeline</u></b>
Office for the Aging	Account Clerk	100100044	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Social Services/Foster Care	Caseworker	815000032	FT	Contingent	Immediate
Social Services/CPS	Caseworker	815200020	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Highway	Carpenter	309500002	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Highway	Deputy Superintendent of Highways	318600002	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Highway	Motor Equipment Operator	310000032	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Highway	Motor Equipment Operator*	310000036	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Sheriff's Office/Criminal	Principal Fiscal Officer	101000004	FT	Provisional	Immediate
Sheriff's Office/Corrections	Correction Officer	603000055	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Sheriff's Office/Criminal	Detective Sergeant*	606000007	FT	Permanent	Immediate
County Administrator	Deputy Clerk*	024000003	FT	Provisional	Immediate
County Administrator/B&G	Superintendent of Buildings & Grounds	305000001	FT	Provisional	Immediate

\*new position

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Position No. 312300001, Bridge Construction Mechanic, be abolished in the Highway Department; Position No. 605000009, Deputy Sheriff, be abolished in the Sheriff's Office; and Position No. 023600001, Secretary to the Board of Legislators, be abolished in the County Administrator's Office, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** for any positions funded by grants, and the grant goes away, those positions will be abolished, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the appointing authorities are authorized to fill the positions as provided for in the resolution.

May 6, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 170-2024 Entitled “Authorizing Filling of Vacancies”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 171-2024

**REAPPOINTMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC ELECTION COMMISSIONER**

By Mr. Forsythe, District 2

**WHEREAS**, the term for the Democratic Commissioner of Elections expires on December 31, 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, the Democratic Committee of St. Lawrence County held a meeting on February 25, 2024, pursuant to the provisions of the election law and rules of the County Committee and by unanimous vote recommended Jennie H. Bacon as suitable and qualified for re-appointment to the office of Commissioner of Elections,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Jennie H. Bacon, at a salary commensurate with Management Band 4, Step 6, as the Democratic Commissioner of Elections for a four (4) year term to begin on January 1, 2025.

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE         )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 171-2024 Entitled "Reappointment of the Democratic Election Commissioner", adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 172-2024

**ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO REVIEW THE ARMING OF PROBATION OFFICERS IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY**

Sponsored by Mr. Webster, District 13; Mr. Lightfoot, District 3; and Ms. Curran, District 15

**WHEREAS**, in 2023, members of the Board of Legislators raised concerns around the safety of Probation Officers while in the field, and

**WHEREAS**, currently, staff in the Probation Department are offered defensive tactics training, trained in the use of and are provided pepper spray, and last year were provided ballistic vests to improve their safety while in the field, and

**WHEREAS**, given the changing population that are assigned to Probation, it has become a matter of significant importance to address the safety of Probation Officers, and

**WHEREAS**, on August 7, 2023, Legislator Glenn Webster was appointed to Chair and Legislators Lightfoot and Curran were also appointed as Committee Members to join members of staff and the community to convene and review the concerns; through a variety of means including; the utilization of a survey tool for staff to provide input with a sixty-two (62%) percent participation rate, consider the liability challenges presented by introducing weapons, consult with other counties on both sides of the issue and gather data to share with staff, and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee convened seven (7) times to consider the issue and considered all information gathered along with input from a county that has implemented arming of their officers, held facilitated discussions with staff to provide a platform to address concerns and ensure access to information was provided, and

**WHEREAS**, the County Attorney has reviewed case law and provided guidance on the liability associated with arming of officers, and

**WHEREAS**, the importance of providing a means for staff to be adequately prepared to defend themselves when completing the tasks associated with their role with the County is being addressed by the recommendation to arm probation officers, and

**WHEREAS**, along with the challenge of making a determination to arm or not to arm officers, the Committee made a determination to require defensive tactics and firearms training as mandatory training regimen for officers, and

**WHEREAS**, the Committee is prepared to make a recommendation to arm Probation Officers in St. Lawrence County, providing the option to existing officers and requiring all new officers,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators accepts the recommendations of the Committee tasked to review the arming of Probation Officers to arm Probation Officers in St. Lawrence County, providing the option to existing officers and requiring all new officers, and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Committee and staff will convene to research and approve policies and procedures, logistics, operations, and appropriations as well as any other areas in the concept and work with the Department, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that resolutions will be prepared for consideration by the Board of Legislators to address the appropriations necessary to begin the Program.

STATE OF NEW YORK                    )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE        )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 172-2024 Entitled “Accepting the Recommendations of the Committee Appointed to Review the Arming of Probation Officers in St. Lawrence County”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 6, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 173-2024

**SUPPORTING A REQUEST BY THE TOWN OF DEKALB FOR ENACTMENT  
OF NEW YORK STATE SENATE BILL S8791 AND ASSEMBLY BILL A9514,  
AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OF DEKALB, IN THE COUNTY OF  
ST. LAWRENCE, TO REDUCE THE MAXIMUM SPEED LIMIT  
ON A PORTION OF U.S. ROUTE 11**

By Mr. Denesha, District 6

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 100-2021, adopted on April 5, 2021, requested the New York State Department of Transportation (NYS DOT) perform a traffic study and investigation on a portion of U.S. Route 11 in the Town of Dekalb, and supported a the reduction of the maximum speed limit on certain public roadways, and

**WHEREAS**, the Hermon-DeKalb Central School District and athletic fields are located along Route 11 in the Town of DeKalb, which is a heavily traveled highway, and

**WHEREAS**, the athletic fields are located adjacent to the highway, and students and spectators have continuous and frequent interactions with traffic when parking to attend functions at the District, and

**WHEREAS**, many students walk or ride bikes to attend school functions, and

**WHEREAS**, there is a constant flow of traffic in and out of the school parking lots, and there is a four-way intersection of U.S. Route 11 and the East DeKalb Road at the north corner of the district property that is also next to the primary district parking lot, and

**WHEREAS**, this issue highlights a matter of safety for students, staff, parents, and community members,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators supports a request by the Town of Dekalb for enactment of New York State Senate Bill S8791 and Assembly Bill A9514, authorizing the Town of DeKalb, in the County of St. Lawrence, to reduce the maximum speed limit on a portion of U.S. Route 11, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators supports the reduction of the current speed limit of 55 mph to 45 mph on U.S. Route 11 for the maximum allowable distance in each direction from the District property lines and that such reduction be completed in accordance with all applicable laws, regulations, and policies of the State of New York, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Kathy Hochul, Senator Mark Walczyk, Senator Dan Stec, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, Assemblyman Scott Gray, Hermon-DeKalb Central School Board of Education, Town of Hermon, and Town of Dekalb.

May 6, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK                     )  
  ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE            )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 173-2024 Entitled “Supporting a Request by the Town of Dekalb for Enactment of New York State Senate Bill S8791 and Assembly Bill A9514, Authorizing the Town of Dekalb, in the County of St. Lawrence, to Reduce the Maximum Speed Limit on a Portion of U.S. Route 11”, adopted May 6, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 7, 2024

May 20, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 174-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CLOSURE OF THE NEW YORK LABOR TRAFFICKING PROGRAM GRANT, ACCEPTING A CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION FROM THE HOWARD G. BUFFET FOUNDATION AND AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION FOR THE NORTHERN NEW YORK TRAFFICKING PROGRAM GRANT**

By Mr. Perkins, District 7; Ms. Haggard, District 10; Mr. Gennett, District 13;  
and Ms. Curran, District 15

**WHEREAS**, in partnership with Erie County Sheriff's Office, the designated prime grantee for the New York State Labor Trafficking Program Grant, St. Lawrence County adopted Resolution No. 280-2022 which authorized the acceptance of this Grant from the Howard G. Buffett Foundation with St. Lawrence County Renewal House and additional agencies from Erie County, and

**WHEREAS**, recently Erie County Sheriff's Office concluded their involvement earlier than anticipated and this action requires partnering agencies to return all unspent funds to the Howard G. Buffet Foundation within fifteen (15) days, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office has pursued an opportunity to become the designated prime grantee for a five-year Northern New York Trafficking Program Grant, to continue the important work of reducing human trafficking in St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, in an effort to continue the work that began because of the former grant, the St. Lawrence County Sheriff's Office has been awarded a charitable contribution of \$45,000 from the Foundation to assist during the transition to the new grant, potentially anticipated to be a 60-day period,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the closure of the New York State Labor Trafficking Program Grant, accepts a charitable contribution of \$45,000 from the Howard G. Buffet Foundation, and authorizes an application for the Northern New York Trafficking Program Grant, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Sheriff's Office will be working with the Treasurer's Office to reconcile and return the balance of the New York State Labor Trafficking Program Grant Funds to the Howard G. Buffet Foundation, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Sheriff's Office will submit an application to become the prime grantee for the Northern New York Trafficking Program Grant and if successful, prepare a resolution for consideration to accept and modify the 2024 Budget accordingly.



May 20, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK )  
 ) ss:  
COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE )

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 174-2024 Entitled “AUTHORIZING THE CLOSURE OF THE NEW YORK LABOR TRAFFICKING PROGRAM GRANT, ACCEPTING A CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION FROM THE HOWARD G. BUFFET FOUNDATION AND AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION FOR THE NORTHERN NEW YORK TRAFFICKING PROGRAM GRANT ”, adopted May 20, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

*Kelly S. Bigwarfe*  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 21, 2024

May 20, 2024

Finance Committee: 5-20-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 175-2024

**SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW E (NO. )  
FOR THE YEAR 2024, "AMENDING LOCAL LAW 2 FOR THE YEAR 2023, SETTING  
POLICY ON ACQUISITION AND SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY IN ST.  
LAWRENCE COUNTY"**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, on April 20, 2024, Governor Kathy Hochul signed into law the New York State 2024-2025 Budget, and

**WHEREAS**, the enacted budget reforms the property tax enforcement laws of the State to bring them into compliance with a recent decision of the United States Supreme Court, Tyler v. Hennepin County, Minnesota, 598 U.S. 631 (2023), by providing that when tax-delinquent property is sold, any excess proceeds be returned to the former owner or owners, and where appropriate, to lienors, and

**WHEREAS**, this bill would require any surplus resulting from tax foreclosure sales to be distributed to the former owners and lienors, subject to claims incurred by the taxing authority for administrative costs and remediation, and

**WHEREAS**, tax enforcing districts, of which St. Lawrence County is one, would still be able to offset from the foreclosure sale the taxes and penalties they are owed, as well as interest, administrative and some legal expenses assuming the tax enforcing district has adopted an appropriate local law permitting the recovery of those expenses, and

**WHEREAS**, in order to assess remediation costs for properties that are foreclosed upon but are in a contaminated state or identified as hazardous, the tax enforcing district must provide for such fees to be recoverable by way of local law, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2023, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators authorized the creation of the "Blighted Property Program", designed to tackle blighted residential structures and augment the county's approach to environmental clean-ups the County was already engaged in, and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to the remediation costs, the new provisions of the Real Property Tax Law, as amended through the budget, defines reasonable administrative expenses, subject to local law adoption as: (1) the cost of the mailing or service of notices required or authorized by law; (2) the cost of publication of notices; (3) the amount of any interest and penalties imposed by law; (4) the cost of recording or filing required legal documents; (5) the cost of appraising a parcel for the purpose of determining the existence and amount of any surplus in cases where a public sale does not occur the reasonable and necessary cost of any search of the public record required or authorized to satisfy the notice requirements of this article, and other reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by a tax district in connection with a proceeding to foreclose a tax lien, including but not limited to, administrative, auction and

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reasonable attorney fees and/or costs associated with the foreclosure process, provided, that: (i) a charge of up to either \$250 per parcel, or 2% of the sum of the taxes, interest and penalties due on the parcel, whichever is greater, shall be deemed reasonable and necessary to cover the combined costs of such searches and the other reasonable and necessary costs and expenses and (ii) a tax district may charge a greater amount with respect to one or more parcels upon demonstration to the satisfaction of the court having jurisdiction that such greater amount was reasonable and necessary; (6) the amount owed to the tax district by virtue of a judgment lien, a mortgage lien, or any other lien held by the tax district that is not a delinquent tax lien, and

**WHEREAS**, the County is seeking to amend the existing Local Law in order to accommodate and align with the amended State Statute permitting the recovery of the administrative costs as well as the costs associated with property remediation, and

**WHEREAS**, the primary amendment of the local law is the rise in charge of the foreclosure fee and the authorization to charge the assessed owner for blighted property investigation and remedy, and

**WHEREAS**, the law requires that said Local Law adoption be preceded by a public hearing,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators hereby sets a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law E (No. ) for the Year 2024 to be held at 5:30 p.m. on June 3, 2024, in the Legislative Board Room.

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW E (NO. ) FOR THE YEAR 2024, "AMENDING LOCAL LAW 2 FOR THE YEAR 2023, SETTING POLICY ON ACQUISITION AND SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY"**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence as follows:

Section 1. This local law shall supersede and repeal all prior local laws regarding real property tax foreclosure proceedings.

Section 2. Pursuant to Article 11 of the Real Property Tax Law, The St. Lawrence County Legislature hereby exercises the following options for the collection of delinquent taxes in St. Lawrence County.

Section 3. A charge of up to either \$250 on each parcel with delinquent taxes, or two percent of the sum of the taxes, interest and penalties due on the parcel, whichever is greater, shall be deemed reasonable and necessary to cover allowable administrative costs in tax foreclosure. This charge will be applied on June 1<sup>st</sup> of the year following the tax bill.

Section 4. The Tax Enforcement Officer is hereby empowered to take installment payments of delinquent taxes. Said installment payments shall have a payment term of 24 months with payments due every three months. The Tax Enforcement Officer shall add \$2 to all delinquent tax bills to cover the cost of notifying the taxpayer of this right. All Installment Agreements shall be entered into on or before September 30 of the year in which the tax becomes a lien. The Tax Enforcement Officer shall collect 25% of the tax due at the time the taxpayer signs the

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Installment Payment Agreement. The remaining seven installments are payable every quarter, with the first one due on December 1, following the Installment Agreement.

Section 5. The Tax Enforcement Officer, who is the County Treasurer, is hereby authorized to accept a deed in lieu of enforcement of collection of delinquent taxes under Article 11.

Section 6. All property acquired by the County pursuant to Article 11, shall be sold in one of the following manners: a) at a public auction held on the second Saturday in September of the auction year, b.) at a properly advertised private sale subject to approval by the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, or c.) at such date and in such manner as established by a validly issued Administrative Order, a validly issued Executive Order, subsequent superseding State Statute, or valid order of a Court with jurisdiction over the matter. Such sales may also be held online if deemed necessary by the County Treasurer.

Section 7. The County sells only its lien and interest, does not warrant title, and will convey only by quitclaim deed. No abstracts will be provided.

Section 8. Any fees associated with the auction and conveyance of properties sold at public auction, to include auctioneer fees, buyer's premium, advertising fees, and recording fees will be the responsibility of the bidder.

Section 9. At a public auction, the highest bidder must tender twenty percent (20%) of the bid or a fifty dollar (\$50.00) deposit, whichever is greater. In addition, the highest bidder is responsible for any buyer's premium, auctioneer fees, and possible advertising fees payable by certified check, money order, cash or credit card. The balance is due within thirty (30) days, also payable by certified check, money order or cash. Confirmation of the sale by the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators is unnecessary for Article 11 properties sold at public auction. The County must sell to the highest bidder unless the highest bidder defaults. Upon default of the highest bidder, the deposit will be forfeited, and the County reserves the right to accept the bid of the second highest bidder.

Section 10. The former owner, and any other person who may be acting as an agent of the former owner, whether disclosed or undisclosed, is strictly prohibited from bidding at the auction.

Section 11. Any bidder who owns property in St. Lawrence County and is delinquent in their taxes shall be prohibited from bidding at the auction. The term delinquent is defined as prior year tax delinquency. No other person who may be acting as an agent of this bidder shall be allowed to bid at the auction.

Section 12. For properties with actual or suspected environmental contamination, application may be made to the Court in an effort to gain "Temporary Incidence of Ownership", granting St. Lawrence County the legal authority to enter such property and conduct an environmental investigation to determine the nature and extent of any environmental contamination which may exist at the property and the cost for addressing such contamination.

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Section 13. The costs to St. Lawrence County associated with addressing actual or suspected environmental contamination of a property, including investigative, cleanup and legal costs, may be charged to the assessed owner and included on the tax assessment roll.

Section 14. The costs to St. Lawrence County associated with addressing actual or suspected contaminated, condemned, abandoned, and/or blighted property, including investigative, demolition and legal costs, may be charged to the assessed owner and included on the tax assessment roll subject to recovery pursuant to the provisions of the Real Property Tax Law.

Section 15. This local law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of State.

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 175-2024 Entitled "SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW E (NO. ) FOR THE YEAR 2024, "AMENDING LOCAL LAW 2 FOR THE YEAR 2023, SETTING POLICY ON ACQUISITION AND SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY"", adopted May 20, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 21, 2024

May 20, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 176-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CANTON  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR USE OF PARKING LOTS AT THE COUNTY  
COMPLEX FOR THE ANNUAL DAIRY FESTIVAL DAYS PARADE**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Canton Chamber of Commerce requests the use of County parking lots at the H.B. Smith Building and the Courthouse for the staging area/line up of the annual Dairy Festival Days Parade held this year on June 1, 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, the Canton Chamber of Commerce would hold the County harmless from and all liability arising from the use of County parking lots,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an agreement with the Canton Chamber of Commerce for use of the parking lots at the County Complex for the annual Dairy Festival Days Parade, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 176-2024 Entitled "AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CANTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR USE OF PARKING LOTS AT THE COUNTY COMPLEX FOR THE ANNUAL DAIRY FESTIVAL DAYS PARADE", adopted May 20, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
May 21, 2024

June 3, 2024

Finance Committee: 5-20-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 177-2024

**PROCLAIMING JUNE AS DAIRY MONTH AND THE ANNUAL ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY DAIRY FESTIVAL DAYS' THEME IS "GET MOOVING WITH MILK"**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Webster, District 11 and Ms. Curran, District 15

**WHEREAS**, since 1937, National Dairy Month has been celebrated in June to recognize the important role of the dairy industry, with this year marking the eighty-seventh anniversary of National Dairy Month, and

**WHEREAS**, milk and dairy foods provide health benefits and valuable nutrients, and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and Department of Health and Human Services released the Dietary Guidelines for Americans which reinforces the importance of consuming three daily servings of dairy foods like milk, yogurt, and cheese, and

**WHEREAS**, dairy farming is a family tradition, one that has been a way of life for many generations, and St. Lawrence County is fortunate to have at least eighteen family-owned farms that have been in operation for more than 100 years, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County dairy farmers produced 890 million pounds of milk in 2023, ranking St. Lawrence County is fifth in the Northeast Milk Marketing Area, which extends from New Hampshire to Virginia, and

**WHEREAS**, according to the Northeast Statistical Handbook, in 2023 there were 176 dairy farms operating in St. Lawrence County making the County the third-highest number of farm operations in the marketing area, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County dairy farmers, milk processors, and support industries make significant contributions to the economy of the region, and

**WHEREAS**, the annual St. Lawrence County Dairy Festival Days, including the annual parade, will be held in Canton this year on May 31st and June 1st, with this year's theme being "Get Mooving with Milk,"

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes that the Board of Legislators proclaims June as Dairy Month, and the annual St. Lawrence County Dairy Festival Days' theme is "Get Mooving with Milk."

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 177-2024 Entitled "PROCLAIMING JUNE AS DAIRY MONTH AND THE ANNUAL ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY DAIRY FESTIVAL DAYS' THEME IS "GET MOOVING WITH MILK"", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024



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Services Committee: 5-13-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 178-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR COSSAP I  
FUNDING FROM THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 335-2021, named St. Lawrence County Addiction Services Clinic the sub-recipient to develop and operate the Opioid Treatment Program for the Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP), and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators has recognized the need for increased recovery and harm reduction services for individuals with Opioid Use Disorder (OUD), and

**WHEREAS**, the approved COSSAP I Award (2020-AR-BX-0076) was slated to end on September 30, 2023, and

**WHEREAS**, the County was unable to fully expend their allocation of their award in 2023, and an extension was approved by the Office of Justice Programs to extend the grant period to September 30, 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, the Department requests to reallocate the funds to sub-recipients,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer's Office to modify the 2024 Budget for Community Services for COSSAP I Funding, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

A1542201 12000	A OPIOID REC Supervisory/Admin	\$10,690
A1542208 81000	Retirement	1,225
A1542208 83000	Social Security	733
A1542208 84000	Workers' Compensation	265
A1542208 84500	Group Life Insurance	17
A1542208 86000	Hospital & Medical Insurance	4,711
A1542208 86500	Dental Insurance	123
A1542208 89000	Vision Insurance	<u>38</u>
		\$17,802

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

A1542204 46500	A OPIOID Recovery Program Payments	\$17,802
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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 178-2024 Entitled "MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR COSSAP I FUNDING FROM THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

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Services Committee: 5-13-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 179-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR COSSAP II  
FUNDING FROM THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 378-2022, adopted November 7, 2022, authorized accepting the Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program (COSSAP II) Funding, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators has recognized the need for increased recovery and harm reduction services for individuals with Opioid Use Disorder (OUD), and

**WHEREAS**, the approved COSSAP II Award (15PBJA-22-GG-04477-COAP) is for a term of three (3) years in the amount of \$1,299,998 to be used for the implementation of additional harm reduction services, expanding on the Opioid Treatment Program which was established with funding from the 2020 COSSAP award (2020-AR-BX-0076), and

**WHEREAS**, the organizations that will be provided funding for COSSAP II include Seaway Valley Prevention Counsel and St. Lawrence County Addiction Services,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for Community Services for COSSAP II Funding from the Office of Justice Programs, as follows, and any remaining funds to be rolled over to future budgets until the grant is fully expended:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

A1542201 13000 FY22	A OPIOID REC Technical	\$123,533
A1542204 407HS FY22	A OPIOID REC Human Serv Rent	2,351
A1542204 408HS FY22	A OPIOID REC Human Serv Maintenance	2,531
A1542204 41401 FY22	A OPIOID REC Liability & Other Insurance	23
A1542204 42000 FY22	A OPIOID REC Office Supplies	150
A1542204 42001 FY22	A OPIOID REC Computer Supplies	125
A1542204 42101 FY22	A OPIOID REC I/D Copying Equipment	225
A1542204 42303 FY22	A OPIOID REC I/D Phone Charges	25
A1542204 44100 FY22	A OPIOID REC I/D Fuel Charges	500
A1542204 44500 FY22	A OPIOID REC Other Travel	7,000
A1542204 46500 FY22	A OPIOID REC Program Payments	953,067
A1542208 81000 FY22	Retirement	15,731
A1542208 83000 FY22	Social Security	8,550
A1542208 84000 FY22	Workmens Compensation	3,121
A1542208 84500 FY22	Group Life Insurance	220

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A1542208 86000 FY22	Hospital & Medical Insurance	35,751
A1542208 86500 FY22	Dental Insurance	1,309
A1542208 89000 FY22	Vision Insurance	<u>482</u>
		\$1,154,694

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

A1544865 57000 FY22	A OPIOID Recovery FA Grant	\$1,154,694
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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 179-2024 Entitled "MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR COSSAP II FUNDING FROM THE OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Services Committee: 5-13-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 180-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE YOUTH BUREAU FOR YOUTH  
ADVOCACY AND TRAINING PROGRAMS**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Youth Bureau receives grant funding from the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS), and the budget is split between Youth Development (YDP), Youth Sports and Education (YSEF), and Youth Advocacy and Training Programs, and

**WHEREAS**, the original budget request for Youth Advocacy and Training (Y2073104 46000) was reduced, and

**WHEREAS**, OCFS Revenue (Y2038205 560OC) allows for Youth Advocacy and Training Programs, and

**WHEREAS**, a budget modification is required to allow for spending,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Youth Bureau for Youth Advocacy and Training Programs, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

Y2073104 46000	Y Advocacy and Training	\$16,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

Y2038205 560OC	Y Office of Children and Family SR	\$16,000
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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 180-2024 Entitled "MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE YOUTH BUREAU FOR YOUTH ADVOCACY AND TRAINING PROGRAMS", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

*Kelly S. Bigwarfe*

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Operations Committee: 5-13-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 181-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY CLERK'S  
OFFICE FOR OVERTIME COSTS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, a budgetary measure during the 2024 budget process identified a percentage of appropriations for departments with overtime expenses and located those funds in the contingency account, and

**WHEREAS**, the County Clerk's Office will exceed the identified percentage of appropriations that were included in the 2024 budget for overtime costs, and

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary to transfer funds from targeted contingency to the County Clerk's Office,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 budget for the St. Lawrence County Clerk's Office for overtime expenses for the Department of Motor Vehicles as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

K1614101 18000	K NYDS DMV CC Overtime	\$15,000
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**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$15,000
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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 181-2024 Entitled "MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE FOR OVERTIME COSTS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

*Kelly S. Bigwarfe*  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Operations Committee: 5-13-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 183-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE THIRD AMENDED AND RESTATED  
STATE SEPTIC SYSTEM REPLACEMENT PROGRAM COUNTY PARTICIPATION  
AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES  
CORPORATION AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR  
THE PLANNING OFFICE**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (NYS EFC) awarded a multi-year option for the County to engage in a septic system replacement program, and

**WHEREAS**, a successful program was administered in 2018 with the County receiving \$225,000 and subsequently spending the entire amount on the repair or replacement of forty (40) deficient septic systems along with specified waterbodies throughout the County, and

**WHEREAS**, funding in the amount of \$340,000 was made available in 2021 for a second round of this program, has repaired or replaced 38 septic systems, and has been spent down to a remaining balance of \$23,816.11, and

**WHEREAS**, an additional \$635,000 in funding was made available in 2022, and

**WHEREAS**, the NYSEFC has made available an additional \$400,000 in funding, with a significantly expanded eligible waterbody list, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) has previously offered to provide financial assistance for administrative costs associated with program implementation as this type of funding is absent from the grant in its current format, and

**WHEREAS**, the intent to move forward with grant implementation with funds provided by the SWCD will occur with efforts to locate additional sources of funds to support the administration of the grant, noting that it is possible that implementation may be impacted when administrative funding is exhausted,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign the Third Amended and Restated State Septic System Replacement Program County Participation Agreement with the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation, and other documentation as needed for the administration, delivery, reporting, and closeout of this contract, upon the approval of the County Attorney, and



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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget in the Planning Office, as follows, and to roll over any remaining funds to future years until the grant is fully expended:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

N1087904 460GP EFC	N EFC Gen Nat Resources Cont	\$400,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

N1039895 56000 EFC	N EFC SA Other Home & Comm	\$400,000
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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 183-2024 Entitled "AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE THIRD AMENDED AND RESTATED STATE SEPTIC SYSTEM REPLACEMENT PROGRAM COUNTY PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES CORPORATION AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE PLANNING OFFICE", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Operations Committee: 5-13-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 184-2024

**ACCEPTING ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATION FUNDING FOR THE SEPTIC  
SYSTEM REPLACEMENT PROGRAM AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR  
THE PLANNING OFFICE**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (NYSEFC) awarded a multi-year option for the County to engage in a septic system replacement program, and

**WHEREAS**, a successful program was administered in 2018 with the County receiving \$225,000 and subsequently spending the entire amount on the repair or replacement of forty (40) deficient septic systems along specified waterbodies throughout the County, and

**WHEREAS**, funding in the amount of \$340,000 was made available in 2021, and is currently being spent down through the second round of this program, and

**WHEREAS**, the NYSEFC has made available an additional \$635,000 in funding for the third round of the Septic System Replacement Program, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) has previously offered to provide financial assistance for administrative costs associated with program implementation as this type of funding is absent from the grant in its current format,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators accepts additional administration funding for the Septic System Program, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget in the Planning Office, as follows, and to roll over any remaining funds to future years until the grant is fully expended, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that an update and notification will be provided to the Board of Legislators when additional administrative funding is necessary.

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

N1087904 43007 EFC	N GEN Natural Resources Con	\$25,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

N1012895 55000 EFC	N Other GEN Department Income	\$25,000
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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 184-2024 Entitled "ACCEPTING ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATION FUNDING FOR THE SEPTIC SYSTEM REPLACEMENT PROGRAM AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE PLANNING OFFICE ", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Operations Committee: 5-13-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 185-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS WITH CLARKSON  
UNIVERSITY, SUNY CANTON AND SUNY POTSDAM TO PROVIDE PUBLIC  
TRANSPORTATION**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County Public Transit established the College Connector routes in 2020 to provide public transportation services to SUNY Canton, SUNY Potsdam and Clarkson University, whose riders account for 54% of the system's ridership, and

**WHEREAS**, SUNY Canton, SUNY Potsdam and Clarkson University have expressed an interest in continuing this public transportation service at each of their respective campuses, and

**WHEREAS**, separate contracts are needed between the universities and the County to provide this service for a term not to exceed July 31, 2028 and

**WHEREAS**, the cost for this service does not rely on County funds but is instead paid for using State and Federal transit monies awarded by the New York State Department of Transportation, and payments from the participating colleges, and

**WHEREAS**, a revenue account (N2B17895 55001) was established, and an appropriation account (N2B56304 43007) was modified in the 2024 St. Lawrence County Budget to provide this service,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign contracts with Clarkson University, SUNY Canton and SUNY Potsdam to provide public transportation, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 185-2024 Entitled "AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS WITH CLARKSON UNIVERSITY, SUNY CANTON AND SUNY POTSDAM TO PROVIDE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

*Kelly S. Bigwarfe*

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

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Operations Committee: 5-13-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 186-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR THE M.A.T.  
PROGRAM PRESCRIPTION COSTS AT THE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the M.A.T. Program expenses have exceeded the appropriations budget for 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, the challenges of pharmaceutical prices along with not being able to predict the population of the jail and medication requirements that may be needed throughout the year, make establishing an annual budget difficult,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office for the M.A.T. Program prescription costs at the Correctional Facility, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$300,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S4743204 45100	S FMH Medical Supplies & Exp	\$300,000
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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 186-2024 Entitled "MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR THE M.A.T. PROGRAM PRESCRIPTION COSTS AT THE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

*Kelly S. Bigwarfe*

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Operations Committee: 5-13-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 187-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUDGET FOR THE FY21 OPERATION  
STONEGARDEN PROGRAM (OPSG) GRANT**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 360-2021 approved the acceptance of a FY21 Operation Stonegarden Grant (contract period of 9/1/21 - 8/31/24) totaling \$300,000, and

**WHEREAS**, a budget modification is necessary due to the recent rollover of funds from 2023 to 2024, and

**WHEREAS**, this modification will align the account balances to current grant balances,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office, as follows, and

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S1Z31101 11000 SG1	S CRIM Direct Service Workers	\$2,000
S1Z31101 14000 SG1	S CRIM Clerical	500
S1Z31104 43007 SG1	S CRIM Other Fees and Services	<u>1,529</u>
		\$4,029

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S1Z31101 18000 SG1	S CRIM Overtime	\$4,029
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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 187-2024 Entitled "MODIFYING THE 2024 SHERIFF'S OFFICE BUDGET FOR THE FY21 OPERATION STONEGARDEN PROGRAM (OPSG) GRANT", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Operations Committee: 5-13-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 188-2024

**ACCEPTING A DONATION FROM PURINA FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
FOR K9 DOG FOOD**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Office has received a donation of a year's supply of dog food for K9 Shelly from Purina, and

**WHEREAS**, the donation will provide a complete, balanced and high quality diet for K9 Shelly at an estimated savings of \$1,800,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes accepting a donation from Purina for the Sheriff's Office.

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 188-2024 Entitled "ACCEPTING A DONATION FROM PURINA FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR K9 DOG FOOD", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

*Kelly S. Bigwarfe*

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk

St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators

June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Finance Committee: 5-20-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 189-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH JEDA  
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FOR THE REMOVAL OF SUB-SURFACE BULK  
TANKS ON PROPERTY OWNED BY ELEANOR R. MALLETTE**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the County has commenced an In Rem real property tax foreclosure proceeding for delinquent taxes pursuant to Article 11 of the Real Property Tax Law against property owned by Eleanor R. Mallette located at 58 State Highway 3, Town of Pitcairn, County of St. Lawrence, State of New York with Tax Map No. 221.001-1-29.1 ("Property"), and

**WHEREAS**, there are currently delinquent real property taxes due and owing in the amount of \$16,804, together with fees, penalties and interest in the amount of \$17,347 for a total of \$34,151 on the property, and

**WHEREAS**, the property is known to have had historic storage and/or sale of gasoline and other petroleum products and is believed to be potentially contaminated with petroleum, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators previously authorized the execution of a contract with Odin Environmental to perform a Phase II investigation on the Property, and

**WHEREAS**, the Phase II environmental investigation of the Property included a subsurface exploration via test pitting which determined that two (2) underground petroleum storage tanks are still present at the Property, but no petroleum was identified in soil sampling conducted to date, and

**WHEREAS**, unfortunately, the Phase II test pit study was unable to definitively determine whether contamination exists under either of the two subsurface tanks, and

**WHEREAS**, the County Attorney and Consultant, Gary Bowitch, Esq. solicited proposals for the removal and proper disposal of the tanks; subsurface sampling to identify whether any petroleum contamination is present under the tanks and for related sampling, reporting and consulting services (T1013254 40900), and

**WHEREAS**, proposals have been reviewed and JEDA Environmental Services is recommended as the vendor, who was the low bidder, for the removal of the tanks and for related sampling, reporting and consulting services,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract to retain the services of JEDA Environmental Services to remove tanks located at property owned by Eleanor R. Mallette and to perform sampling and related consultant services, upon the approval of the County Attorney.



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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 189-2024 Entitled "AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH JEDA ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FOR THE REMOVAL OF SUB-SURFACE BULK TANKS ON PROPERTY OWNED BY ELEANOR R. MALLETTE", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Finance Committee: 5-20-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 190-2024

**ADOPTING MORTGAGE TAX REPORT**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Mortgage Tax Report as submitted by the County Clerk and the County Treasurer is hereby accepted and the County Treasurer is authorized and directed to issue the amounts as set forth in the report to the various tax districts in this County, as follows:

<b><u>TOWN/VILLAGE:</u></b>	<b><u>AMOUNT:</u></b>
Brasher	\$5,203.74
Canton:	
Village of Canton	18,779.98
Village of Rensselaer	805.50
Town of Canton	66,292.65
Clare	-
Clifton	4,484.69
Colton	6,760.14
Dekalb:	
Village of Richville	225.38
Town of Dekalb	6,171.04
DePeyster	3,159.59
Edwards	2,512.93
Fine	5,741.38
Fowler	14,411.92
Gouverneur:	
Village of Gouverneur	4,061.73
Town of Gouverneur	11,701.95
Hammond:	
Village of Hammond	487.44
Town of Hammond	22,350.77
Hermon	5,670.31
Hopkinton	4,275.46
Lawrence	3,528.37
Lisbon	9,963.53
Louisville:	
Village of West Massena	1,533.14
Town of Louisville	16,727.27
Macomb	3,851.71
Madrid	3,358.66

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Massena:	
Village of Massena	12,019.42
Town of Massena	25,993.19
Morristown	20,678.73
Norfolk:	
Village of Norwood	66.99
Village of Massena	11.17
Town of Norfolk	9,731.22
Ogdensburg	22,385.49
Oswegatchie:	
Village of Heuvelton	995.81
Town of Oswegatchie	18,817.17
Parishville	8,496.64
Piercefield	3,950.59
Pierrepont	13,641.23
Pitcairn	14,302.65
Potsdam:	
Village of Potsdam	8,534.15
Village of Norwood	1,907.33
Town of Potsdam	34,420.74
Rossie	1,170.17
Russell	2,001.34
Stockholm	14,286.57
Waddington:	
Village of Waddington	2,242.50
Town of Waddington	<u>8,645.68</u>
TOTALS:	\$446,358.06

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 190-2024 Entitled "ADOPTING MORTGAGE TAX REPORT ", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe  
Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Finance Committee: 5-20-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 191-2024

**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**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the St. Lawrence County Highway and Solid Waste Departments employ staff requiring a Commercial Driver's License ("CDL"), and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Act ("FMCSA") requires all CDL drivers comply with random drug and alcohol testing, and

**WHEREAS**, BOCES, as part of its administrative support services offers facilitation of Drug and Alcohol Testing of drivers holding a Commercial Driver's License ("CDL") pursuant to the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Act ("FMCSA") and assists with maintaining compliance with the Federal Motor Carrier Clearinghouse mandate, and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Highways (HM351104 430DT) and the Solid Waste Department (WO081604 43004) desire to continue participating in the BOCES Drug and Alcohol Testing Program with an estimated cost of approximately \$5,000, and

**WHEREAS**, this inter-municipal agreement shall become effective on July 1, 2024, and expire on June 30, 2025,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes 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, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 191-2024 Entitled "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", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Finance Committee: 5-20-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 192-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS FOR  
BRIDGE PROJECTS**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County is required to maintain 192 open bridges in the County and maintain its infrastructure for the safety of the traveling public, and

**WHEREAS**, upon review of the 2023 unaudited results, the Board of Legislators would like to maintain the 2024 bridge replacement projects schedule, and

**WHEREAS**, the impacted projects are located in the following towns; the Town Line Road in Lisbon, the Brown's Falls Road in Fine, the Tooley Pond Road in Clare, and the Buck Road in Waddington, and

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 Budget approved three (3) County-funded bridge projects, and cost increases and final adjustments in the adoption of the New York State Budget have become prohibitive, but the additional funding requested in this resolution will restore the ability of the Department to accomplish the intended number of bridges in the 2024 Budget,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for bridge projects, as follows:

**DECREASE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

01TG0911 50300	Fund Balance, Unreserved Unappropriated	\$590,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

01TG0910 50300	Fund Balance, Unreserved Appropriated	\$590,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

T6199019 90300	T IFT GF Transfer to CR	\$590,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

T6350319 90100	T IFT CR Transfer from GF	\$590,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HM551104 454BS B1	H B1 Miscellaneous Bridge Supplies	\$590,000
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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 192-2024 Entitled "MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS FOR BRIDGE PROJECTS", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Finance Committee: 5-20-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 193-2024

**APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT #1 WITH BARTON AND LOGUIDICE, D.P.C. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE GOUVERNEUR TRANSFER STATION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 392-2023 authorized the Chair to sign an agreement with Barton and Loguidice, D.P.C., for engineering services for the Gouverneur Transfer Station Rehabilitation Project, and

**WHEREAS**, a supplemental agreement is now required for additional engineering services beyond those originally contemplated in the Agreement, including preparation of a bid for a new scale system, planning the new scale deck system, and revising details for the trash deflector system, and

**WHEREAS**, Barton and Loguidice is requesting a fee increase from \$8,500 to a revised maximum amount payable of \$49,400,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators does hereby approve Supplemental Agreement #1 for engineering services for:

Consultant: Barton and Loguidice, D.P.C.

Contract Title: Gouverneur Transfer Station  
Rehabilitation

Engineering  
Services Fee: Not to Exceed \$49,400  
WT081604 430ED

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to execute all necessary contracts and documents to progress the project, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 193-2024 Entitled "APPROVING SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT #1 WITH BARTON AND LOGUIDICE, D.P.C. FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE GOUVERNEUR TRANSFER STATION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Finance Committee: 5-20-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 194-2024

**ESTABLISHING A STANDARD WORK DAY FOR NEW YORK STATE  
RETIREMENT SYSTEM REPORTING PURPOSES**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System established 315.4, a regulation on retirement reporting for elected and appointed officials which became effective August 12, 2009, and

**WHEREAS**, on August 19, 2015 there were revisions made to the regulations to help ensure elected and appointed officials receive appropriate service credit, and

**WHEREAS**, all newly elected or appointed positions that report to the New York State Retirement System are required to complete a 90-day log providing daily time worked and attest to its accuracy, and

**WHEREAS**, only officials who do not participate in the St. Lawrence County time-keeping system are required to be included on the standard workday resolution,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators establishes a standard work day for New York State Retirement System reporting purposes for the following elected and appointed officials:

Title	Name	Standard Workday	Term	Social Security Number (last 4 digits)	Registration Number	Tier 1 (Check only if member is Tier 1)	Record of Activities Result	Not Submitted (Check only if official did not submit ROA)
County Clerk	Sandy Santamoore	7 hours	1/1/2024 - 12/31/2027	████	████████		31.87	
Sheriff	Rick Engle	8 hours	1/1/2024-12/31/2027	████	38305322		24.42	

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 194-2024 Entitled "ESTABLISHING A STANDARD WORK DAY FOR NEW YORK STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM REPORTING PURPOSES", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024



June 3, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. 195-2024

**AUTHORIZING FILLING OF VACANCIES**

By Mr. Perkins, District 7 and Mr. Sheridan, District 4

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 369-2019 and Resolution No. 253-2020 authorized the continuance of the current vacancy review process with a recommendation that the vacancies continue to be deliberated at each jurisdictional committee, but one resolution be created for all approved positions to be considered at the Regular Board Meeting, and

**WHEREAS**, the Vacancy Review Committee reviewed fifteen (15) positions in eight (8) departments, and of those reviewed four (4) positions were new positions, and three (3) positions will be abolished,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the fill of each of the following vacancies which have been reviewed and recommended to be filled or created and filled by the Vacancy Review Committee:

Department/Unit:	Title:	Position	Type	Duration	Timeline
Probation	Administrative Assistant*	005200016	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Probation	Keyboard Specialist*	003100112	FT	Permanent	60 days
Treasurer's Office	Principal Account Clerk*	100300011	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Community Services	Chemical Dependency Counselor	510400012	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Conflict Defender	Assistant Conflict Defender	021500007	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Public Health	Services Coordinator	506000004	FT	Contingent	Immediate
Public Health	Communications Specialist*	034700001	FT	Provisional	Immediate
Social Services/Prevent	Caseworker	815000021	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Social Services/DCAP	Keyboard Specialist	003100029	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Social Services/CPS	Caseworker	815200026	FT	Contingent	Immediate
Social Services/CPS	Caseworker	815200035	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Social Services/TA SNAP	Social Welfare Examiner	814000032	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Sheriff's Office/Jail	Correction Officer	603000013	FT	Permanent	Immediate
County Clerk's Office	Motor Vehicle Clerk	009100024	FT	Provisional	Immediate

\*new position

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Position No. 100800002, Fiscal Officer, and Position No. 005100010, Secretary I, be abolished in the Probation Department; and Position No. 100100033, Account Clerk, be abolished in the Treasurer's Office, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** for any positions funded by grants, and the grant goes away, those positions will be abolished, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the appointing authorities are authorized to fill the positions as provided for in the resolution.

June 3, 2024

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 195-2024 Entitled "AUTHORIZING FILLING OF VACANCIES", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Operations Committee: 4-15-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 196-2024

**ADOPTING LOCAL LAW C (NO. ) FOR THE YEAR 2024, “A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE IMPOSING THE WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS SURCHARGES PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF TAX LAW §186-G”**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence, as follows:

Section 1. Imposition of wireless communications surcharges.

(a) Pursuant to the authority of Tax Law § 186-g, there are hereby imposed and there shall be paid surcharges within the territorial limits of the County of St. Lawrence on: (i) wireless communications service provided to a wireless communications customer with a place of primary use within such county, at the rate of thirty cents per month on each wireless communications device in service during any part of the month; and (ii) the retail sale of prepaid wireless communications service sold within such county, at the rate of thirty cents per retail sale, whether or not any tangible personal property is sold therewith.

(b) Wireless communications service suppliers shall begin to add such surcharge to the billings of its customers and prepaid wireless communications sellers shall begin to collect such surcharge from its customers commencing December 1, 2024.

(c) Each wireless communications service supplier and prepaid wireless communications seller is entitled to retain, as an administrative fee, an amount equal to three percent of its collections of the surcharges imposed by this Local Law, provided that the supplier or seller files any required return and remits the surcharges due to the New York State Commissioner of Taxation and Finance on or before the due date for that return and that payment.

Section 2. Administration of surcharges.

The surcharges imposed by this Local Law shall be administered and collected by the New York State Commissioner of Taxation and Finance as provided in paragraph (8) of Tax Law § 186-g, and in a like manner as the taxes imposed by Articles Twenty-eight and Twenty-nine of the Tax Law.

Section 3. Applicability of State law to surcharges imposed by this Local Law.

All the provisions of Tax Law § 186-g shall apply to the surcharges imposed by this Local Law with the same force and effect as if those provisions had been set forth in full in this Local Law, except to the extent that any of those provisions is either inconsistent with or not relevant to the surcharges imposed by this Local Law.

June 3, 2024

Section 4.

Net collections received by St. Lawrence County from the surcharges imposed by this Local Law shall be expended only upon authorization of the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence and only for payment of system costs, eligible wireless 911 service costs, or other costs associated with the administration, design, installation, construction, operation, or maintenance of public safety communications networks or a system to provide enhanced wireless 911 service serving such county, as provided in paragraph (9) of Tax Law § 186-g, including, but not limited to, hardware, software, consultants, financing and other acquisition costs.

The County shall separately account for and keep adequate books and records of the amount and object or purpose of all expenditures of all such monies. If, at the end of any fiscal year, the total amount of all such monies exceeds the amount necessary for payment of the above-mentioned costs in such fiscal year, such excess shall be reserved and carried over for the payment of those costs in the following fiscal year.

Section 5. Effective date.

This Local Law shall take effect December 1, 2024.

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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 196-2024 Entitled "ADOPTING LOCAL LAW C (NO. ) FOR THE YEAR 2024, "A LOCAL LAW OF THE COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE IMPOSING THE WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS SURCHARGES PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF TAX LAW §186-G""", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Finance Committee: 4-22-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 197-2024

**ADOPTING LOCAL LAW D (NO.\_\_) FOR THE YEAR 2024, "AMENDING LOCAL LAW 1 FOR THE YEAR 2018,"A LOCAL LAW PERMITTING AND REGULATING ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE OPERATION ON CERTAIN COUNTY ROADS""**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence as follows:

Section 1. The County of St. Lawrence hereby amends Local Law 1 for the Year 2018, a local law permitting and regulating all-terrain vehicle operation on certain County roads, specifically, Section 4. To add five (5) additional roads to read as follows:

Section 4. **Designated Roads & Bridges**

- ee) County Route 27 from Tooley Pond to County Route 17; 0.49 miles
- ff) County Route 17 from County Route 27 to McCarthy Road; 0.8 miles
- gg) County Route 17 from Silver Hill Road to Dana Hill Road; 1.34 miles
- hh) County Route 17 from Dana Hill Road to County Route 24 Trail Head; 2 miles
- ii) County Route 24 from Given Road to Hamlet of Edwards line; 2 miles
- jj) County Bridge McCarthy Road; BIN 3221730

Section 2. **Effective Date**

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State and satisfactory completion of Appendix A for the County Corridor SEQR.

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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE

I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 197-2024 Entitled "ADOPTING LOCAL LAW D (NO.\_\_) FOR THE YEAR 2024, "AMENDING LOCAL LAW 1 FOR THE YEAR 2018,"A LOCAL LAW PERMITTING AND REGULATING ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE OPERATION ON CERTAIN COUNTY ROADS""", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

*Kelly S. Bigwarfe*

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
June 4, 2024

June 3, 2024

Finance Committee: 5-20-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 198-2024

**ADOPTING LOCAL LAW E (NO. ) FOR THE YEAR 2024, "AMENDING LOCAL LAW 2 FOR THE YEAR 2023, SETTING POLICY ON ACQUISITION AND SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY"**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**BE IT ENACTED** by the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence as follows:

Section 1. This local law shall supersede and repeal all prior local laws regarding real property tax foreclosure proceedings.

Section 2. Pursuant to Article 11 of the Real Property Tax Law, The St. Lawrence County Legislature hereby exercises the following options for the collection of delinquent taxes in St. Lawrence County.

Section 3. A charge of up to either \$250 on each parcel with delinquent taxes, or two percent of the sum of the taxes, interest and penalties due on the parcel, whichever is greater, shall be deemed reasonable and necessary to cover allowable administrative costs in tax foreclosure. This charge will be applied on June 1st of the year following the tax bill.

Section 4. The Tax Enforcement Officer is hereby empowered to take installment payments of delinquent taxes. Said installment payments shall have a payment term of 24 months with payments due every three months. The Tax Enforcement Officer shall add \$2 to all delinquent tax bills to cover the cost of notifying the taxpayer of this right. All Installment Agreements shall be entered into on or before September 30 of the year in which the tax becomes a lien. The Tax Enforcement Officer shall collect 25% of the tax due at the time the taxpayer signs the Installment Payment Agreement. The remaining seven installments are payable every quarter, with the first one due on December 1, following the Installment Agreement.

Section 5. The Tax Enforcement Officer, who is the County Treasurer, is hereby authorized to accept a deed in lieu of enforcement of collection of delinquent taxes under Article 11.

Section 6. All property acquired by the County pursuant to Article 11, shall be sold in one of the following manners: a) at a public auction held on the second Saturday in September of the auction year, b.) at a properly advertised private sale subject to approval by the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, or c.) at such date and in such manner as established by a validly issued Administrative Order, a validly issued Executive Order, subsequent superseding State Statute, or valid order of a Court with jurisdiction over the matter. Such sales may also be held online if deemed necessary by the County Treasurer.

Section 7. The County sells only its lien and interest, does not warrant title, and will convey only by quitclaim deed. No abstracts will be provided.

June 3, 2024

Section 8. Any fees associated with the auction and conveyance of properties sold at public auction, to include auctioneer fees, buyer's premium, advertising fees, and recording fees will be the responsibility of the bidder.

Section 9. At a public auction, the highest bidder must tender twenty percent (20%) of the bid or a fifty dollar (\$50.00) deposit, whichever is greater. In addition, the highest bidder is responsible for any buyer's premium, auctioneer fees, and possible advertising fees payable by certified check, money order, cash or credit card. The balance is due within thirty (30) days, also payable by certified check, money order or cash. Confirmation of the sale by the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators is unnecessary for Article 11 properties sold at public auction. The County must sell to the highest bidder unless the highest bidder defaults. Upon default of the highest bidder, the deposit will be forfeited, and the County reserves the right to accept the bid of the second highest bidder.

Section 10. The former owner, and any other person who may be acting as an agent of the former owner, whether disclosed or undisclosed, is strictly prohibited from bidding at the auction.

Section 11. Any bidder who owns property in St. Lawrence County and is delinquent in their taxes shall be prohibited from bidding at the auction. The term delinquent is defined as prior year tax delinquency. No other person who may be acting as an agent of this bidder shall be allowed to bid at the auction.

Section 12. For properties with actual or suspected environmental contamination, application may be made to the Court in an effort to gain "Temporary Incidence of Ownership", granting St. Lawrence County the legal authority to enter such property and conduct an environmental investigation to determine the nature and extent of any environmental contamination which may exist at the property and the cost for addressing such contamination.

Section 13. The costs to St. Lawrence County associated with addressing actual or suspected environmental contamination of a property, including investigative, cleanup and legal costs, may be charged to the assessed owner and included on the tax assessment roll.

Section 14. The costs to St. Lawrence County associated with addressing actual or suspected contaminated, condemned, abandoned, and/or blighted property, including investigative, demolition and legal costs, may be charged to the assessed owner and included on the tax assessment roll subject to recovery pursuant to the provisions of the Real Property Tax Law.

Section 15. This local law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of State.

June 3, 2024

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 198-2024 Entitled "ADOPTING LOCAL LAW E (NO. ) FOR THE YEAR 2024, "AMENDING LOCAL LAW 2 FOR THE YEAR 2023, SETTING POLICY ON ACQUISITION AND SALE OF TAX DELINQUENT PROPERTY IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY"", adopted June 3, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk

St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators

June 4, 2024



July 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 6-10-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 199-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR THE FY23-24 ADIRONDACK REGIONAL HAZMAT CONSORTIUM HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUNDING**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Adirondack Regional HazMat Consortium is an existing regional partnership between the Counties of St. Lawrence, Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, Warren, and Washington, and

**WHEREAS**, the Consortium seeks to solidify their existing partnership to achieve a more efficient use of all staff in response, management, bidding and procurement for supplies and contractors to sustain all existing equipment, which preparing a long-range purchase/upgrade plan to continue to provide superior services to the respective counties, and

**WHEREAS**, grant funds are being leveraged to assist the Consortium with efforts to sustain and enhance its capabilities, and

**WHEREAS**, on behalf of the Consortium and as the fiduciary agent, Warren County applied for a FY23-24 Hazardous Material Emergency Preparedness Grant funding through the New York State Division of Homeland Security, and

**WHEREAS**, the Grant application has been successful in the amount of \$20,000, with a local match of not more than twenty-five (25%) percent (\$5,000), to be paid through in-kind services and a cash match that will be divided into seven equal shares and shared between St. Lawrence County and the other participating counties listed above, and

**WHEREAS**, the contribution requested of St. Lawrence County is \$571 (X1134102 25000),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a Memorandum of Agreement for the FY23-24 Adirondack Regional Consortium Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Funding, upon approval of the County Attorney.

July 1, 2024

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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 199-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Memorandum of Agreement for the FY23-24 Adirondack Regional HazMat Consortium Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Funding", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
July 2, 2024

July 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 6-10-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 200-2024

**ADOPTING THE "ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY ASSESSMENT OF  
FAIR HOUSING 2024"**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County applies for and is awarded Community Development Block Grant funding to administer a variety of community and economic development projects that principally benefit low to moderate income households throughout the County, and

**WHEREAS**, as a condition of receiving Federal funds, the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) requires local communities to certify that they affirmatively further fair housing; this obligation requires the grantee to conduct an assessment of fair housing in the community, take appropriate actions to overcome the effects of identified impediments, and maintain records concerning the local analysis and activities, and

**WHEREAS**, the last assessment of fair housing was conducted in 2017, which relied on 2010 Census Data and no longer accurately reflects current population demographics or housing conditions in the County, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County Fair Housing Task Force responded to the need to assess progress on fair housing issues, collaborated with St. Lawrence University on data collection and analysis, conducted meetings with stakeholders, and reviewed the draft "Assessment" prepared by St. Lawrence County Planning Staff,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators adopts the "St. Lawrence County Assessment of Fair Housing 2024," and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Assessment identifies strategies to educate the public about housing discrimination, and short and long-term strategies to improve equal opportunity for affordable housing in the County, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators designates the Fair Housing Task Force to affirmatively further fair housing in St. Lawrence County, and to maintain records concerning these activities.

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 200-2024 Entitled "Adopting the "St. Lawrence County Assessment of Fair Housing 2024"", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk

St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators

July 2, 2024

July 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 6-10-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 201-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE LOCAL SPONSOR SIGNATURE FORM  
AS PART OF THE SNOWMOBILE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NEW YORK  
STATE OFFICE OF PARKS, RECREATION, AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County has served as the local sponsor of the New York State Snowmobile Trails Grant-In-Aid Program since 1988, and

**WHEREAS**, the snowmobile registrations will be remitted to St. Lawrence County (BF038895 56000) to be used for snowmobile trail development and maintenance, and

**WHEREAS**, the St. Lawrence County Snowmobile Association and North Country Trail Maintenance Alliance are committed to continuing the maintenance of trails within the County,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign the Local Sponsor Signature Form as part of the grant application to the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation upon the approval of the County Attorney.

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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 201-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign the Local Sponsor Signature Form as Part of the Snowmobile Grant Application to the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
July 2, 2024

July 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 6-10-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 202-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS WITH DESIGNATED TRAIL  
MAINTENANCE ENTITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THE NEW YORK STATE  
SNOWMOBILE TRAIL GRANT PROGRAM**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Snowmobile Trail Grant Program (hereinafter “Program”) was created, based on Article 27 of the NY Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation Law, and

**WHEREAS**, this Program establishes a mechanism for allocating funds to local governmental sponsors engaged in the development and maintenance of snowmobile trails, designated as part of the New York State Snowmobile Trail System, and

**WHEREAS**, the County is a designated recipient of funds under the Program and is designated as a “local sponsor” for receipt of New York State Snowmobile Grant funds, and

**WHEREAS**, the Program establishes a mechanism for allocating funds to local governmental sponsors that engage in the development and maintenance of snowmobile trails designated as part of the State Snowmobile Trail System, and

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Office has been tasked with the role of Authorized Project Administrator (Administrator) and will oversee the operations and deliverables on behalf of the County, and

**WHEREAS**, several snowmobile associations assist the County in maintaining the trail system and may be designated as Trail Maintenance Entities (hereinafter referred to as the “TME”) on behalf of the County,

**WHEREAS**, in order to establish the parameters of performance and create a clear understanding of the parties obligations, a contract between the County and each designated TME is appropriate.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign contracts with County designated Trail Maintenance Entities associated with the New York State Snowmobile Trail Grant Program, upon the approval of the County Attorney.

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 202-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign Contracts with Designated Trail Maintenance Entities Associated with the New York State Snowmobile Trail Grant Program", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
July 2, 2024

July 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 6-10-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 203-2024

**ACCEPTING MODIFICATIONS TO AGRICULTURE DISTRICT 1 AND  
AUTHORIZING THE CONSOLIDATION OF AGRICULTURE DISTRICT 1 AND 2  
INTO A SINGLE AGRICULTURE DISTRICT CALLED AGRICULTURE DISTRICT 1**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County has established an Agricultural Districts Program to protect and enhance its agricultural resources, and

**WHEREAS**, Section 303-a of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law requires agricultural districts to be reviewed every eight (8) years to authorize the continuation, with or without modifications to said district, and

**WHEREAS**, during the eight-year review, the County can modify the districts by adding or removing parcels based on review of agricultural tax exemptions, aerial imagery, soil classification, and real property classification, and

**WHEREAS**, Section 303-b of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law authorizes annual reviews to receive requests from property owners to add land to an agricultural district, and

**WHEREAS**, Section 303-c of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law authorizes the County to consolidate agricultural districts, and

**WHEREAS**, from March 1st to March 30th, the County received requests to add three (3) parcels to Agricultural District 2, received no requests to add parcels to Agricultural District 1, and received no requests to remove parcels from Agricultural District 1, and

**WHEREAS**, consolidation of districts will save time and resources by conducting a single eight-year review rather than two each eight-year period, and

**WHEREAS**, the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board recommends accepting all modifications as requested by each property owner, and

**WHEREAS**, the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board recommends adding 19 parcels totaling 1,125 acres of viable agricultural land to Agricultural District 1, and removing 472 parcels of non-agricultural uses totaling 1,445 acres from the same district, and

**WHEREAS**, the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board recommends consolidation of the two districts into one district,



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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators accepts modifications to Agriculture District 1 and Authorizes the Consolidation of Agricultural District 1 and 2 into a single agricultural district called Agricultural District 1, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Planning Office to submit the eight-year review report and appropriate documentation to the Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets for certification as required by law.

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 203-2024 Entitled "Accepting Modifications to Agriculture District 1 and Authorizing the Consolidation of Agriculture District 1 and 2 into a Single Agriculture District called Agriculture District 1", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
July 2, 2024

July 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 6-10-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 204-2024

**PROCLAIMING JULY 21-27, 2024, AS PROBATION, PAROLE, AND COMMUNITY SUPERVISION WEEK**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, community corrections professionals are trained professionals who provide services and referrals for offenders, and work in partnership with other community agencies to promote prevention, intervention, and advocacy, and

**WHEREAS**, community corrections is an essential part of the justice system, and

**WHEREAS**, community corrections professionals uphold the law with dignity, while recognizing the right of the public to be safe-guarded from criminal activity, and

**WHEREAS**, community correctional professionals are responsible for supervising adult and juvenile offenders in the community, and provide services, support, and protection to victims,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators proclaims July 21-27, 2024 as Probation, Parole, and Community Supervision Week, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that all citizens are encouraged to honor the men and women working in these professions and to recognize their many achievements.

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 204-2024 Entitled "Proclaiming July 21-27, 2024, as Probation, Parole, and Community Supervision Week", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
July 2, 2024

July 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 6-10-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 205-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR A 2021 LAW ENFORCEMENT TERRORISM PREVENTION PROGRAM (SLETPP) GRANT FROM THE NYS DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 197-2021 approved the acceptance of FY21 Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (SLETPP) Grant, in the amount of \$157,910, from New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, and

**WHEREAS**, a budget modification is required as an account change has been made for the appropriation expenses of this grant for the purpose of purchasing an ATV Trailer,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office for a 2021 Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (SLETPP) Grant from the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services, as follows, and that any remaining funds will be rolled over to future budgets until the grant is fully expended:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S1Z31104 42018 21HS	S 21HS Radio Equipment	\$7,896
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S1Z31102 26000 21HS	S CRIM Other Equipment	\$7,896
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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 205-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office for a 2021 Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (SLETPP) Grant from the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services ", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

*Kelly S. Bigwarfe*

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
July 2, 2024

July 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 6-10-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 206-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR  
HOUSING INMATES**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Office has received unanticipated revenue from nearby counties for housing inmates above the budgeted amount in the 2024 Budget, and

**WHEREAS**, these funds will be used to pay other county correctional facilities when it is necessary to house St. Lawrence County inmates at other facilities,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for housing inmates, as follows:

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

S5022645 550CO	S IH County Inmate Housing	\$31,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S5031504 48001	S IH Boarding Out Prisoners	\$31,000
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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 206-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office for Housing Inmates", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
July 2, 2024

July 1, 2024

Operations Committee: 6-10-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 207-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO PURCHASE AN  
INCEPTION WHOLE BODY CONTRABAND DETECTIONS SCANNER FOR THE  
CORRECTIONAL FACILITY**

By Ms. Curran, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Correctional Division has determined there is a need to purchase an Inception Whole Body Contraband Detection Scanner for use at the County Correctional Facility, and

**WHEREAS**, funds were not appropriated in the 2024 Sheriff's Office Budget for this equipment, and

**WHEREAS**, staff will be trained to operate this device with the proven benefit to increase safety and security for all staff and inmates at the Correctional Facility as it is able to detect both metallic and non-metallic threats including weapons, drugs, cell phones, and other contraband,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office to Purchase an Inception Whole Body Contraband Detection Scanner for the Correctional Facility, as follows:

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

S4015895 55001	S JAIL Other Public Safety Inc	\$44,000
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**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$100,000
S4031504 414MM	S JAIL Medical Malpractice Insurance	<u>36,000</u>
		\$136,000

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S4031502 25000	S JAIL Technical Equipment	\$180,000
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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 207-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Sheriff's Office to Purchase an Inception Whole Body Contraband Detections Scanner for the Correctional Facility", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk

St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators

July 2, 2024

July 1, 2024

Services Committee: 6-17-2024

**RESOLUTION NO. 208-2024**

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR MEDICAL  
MALPRACTICE INSURANCE POLICY WITH ALLIED WORLD SURPLUS LINE  
INSURANCE COMPANY**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 St. Lawrence County medical malpractice insurance premium was updated in March this year and the increase in the cost for coverage were not included in the adopted budget,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for Community Services for the cost of medical malpractice insurance with Allied World Surplus Line Insurance Company, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

A1142504 414MM	A CACD Medical Malpractice Insurance	\$2,538
A1242504 414MM	A JBCD Medical Malpractice Insurance	333
A1342504 414MM	A OGCD Medical Malpractice Insurance	2,333
A1442304 414MM	A OTP Medical Malpractice Insurance	3,164
A1642504 414MM	A CD Medical Malpractice Insurance	667
A3143204 414MM	A MHOC Medical Malpractice Insurance	2,999
A3143204 414MM DSRP	A DSRP Medical Malpractice Insurance	333
A3243204 414MM	A CFS Medical Malpractice Insurance	<u>333</u>
		\$12,700

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

A1134905 56000 DSRP	A Canton Chem Dep Clinic Fees	\$2,538
A1234905 56000 DSRP	A DSRP Jail Based Revenue	333
A1334905 56000 DSRP	A DSRP Mental Health	2,333
A1434905 56000 DSRP	A DSRP OTP Revenue	3,164
A1634905 56000 DSRP	A DSRP CD Revenue	667
A3134905 56000 DSRP	A DSRP MHOC Revenue	2,999
A3116205 55000 DSRP	A DSRP MHOC Mental Health Fees	333
A3234905 56000 DSRP	A DSRP CFS Revenue	<u>333</u>
		\$12,700

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 208-2024 Entitled "Modifying the 2024 Budget for Community Services for Medical Malpractice Insurance Policy with Allied World Surplus Line Insurance Company", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk

St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators

July 2, 2024



July 1, 2024

Services Committee: 6-17-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 209-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH JACK VENESKY, CPA  
AND ASSOCIATES TO PREPARE THE AMBULATORY HEALTH CARE FACILITY  
(AHCF) ANNUAL MEDICAID, MEDICARE, AND ARTICLE 28 COST REPORTS  
FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR THE FISCAL  
YEARS 2025, 2026, AND 2027**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department is required to file a final, partial Medicare/Medicaid Cost Report, an annual Ambulatory Health Care Facility (AHCF) Medicaid Cost Report, and

**WHEREAS**, the firm of Jack Venesky, CPA & Associates, has been providing this service to the Public Health Department, and

**WHEREAS**, proposals have been received by the firm of Jack Venesky, CPA & Associates, to continue providing these services for the fiscal years 2025, 2026, and 2027 (PP040104 43003) for a cost of \$8,500 annually,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Jack Venesky, CPA & Associates to prepare the Ambulatory Health Care Facility (AHCF) Annual Medicaid, Medicare and Article 28 Cost Report for the Public Health Department for the fiscal years 2025, 2026 and 2027, upon approval of the County Attorney.,

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 209-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Jack Venesky, CPA and Associates to Prepare the Ambulatory Health Care Facility (AHCF) Annual Medicaid, Medicare, and Article 28 Cost Reports for the Public Health Department for the Fiscal Years 2025, 2026, and 2027", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
July 2, 2024

July 1, 2024

Services Committee: 6-17-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 210-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS  
PROGRAM CONTRACT FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Emergency Preparedness Program Contract is used to promote and protect the health of County residents by planning for health emergencies caused by deliberate acts, accidents, and naturally occurring events, to ensure that the Local Health Department is ready to respond to such threats, and

**WHEREAS**, Local Health Departments must conduct a Health Emergency Preparedness Program as a condition of State Aid eligibility, and

**WHEREAS**, the term of the Emergency Preparedness Program HRI Contract will be July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2025, in the amount of \$87,445 (PP044895 57000 EP),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign the Emergency Preparedness Program Contract for the Public Health Department, and any COLAs to the contract, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 210-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign the Emergency Preparedness Program Contract for the Public Health Department", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
July 2, 2024

July 1, 2024

Finance Committee: 6-24-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 211-2024

**SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON ADOPTING LOCAL LAW F (NO. )  
FOR THE YEAR 2024, "REPEALING LOCAL LAW 3 FOR THE YEAR 1993 AND  
AMENDING LOCAL LAW 2 FOR THE YEAR 1956, "A LOCAL LAW  
ENUMERATING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF  
THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY SELF-INSURANCE PLAN"**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County established a Workers' Compensation Plan for county, city, town and village employees by Local Laws 1 and 2 of 1956, which (as of the date of this resolution) includes all but two municipalities and all volunteer fire units within the geographic confines of St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of workers' compensation law is to protect employees who are injured in the course of their employment, and

**WHEREAS**, the workers' compensation law is designed to ensure that employees who are injured or disabled on the job are provided with fixed monetary awards, eliminating the need for litigation, and

**WHEREAS**, the workers' compensation law imposes certain obligations upon employers and coverage plans related to the timely report of injuries, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Workers Compensation Law §110, an employer must report an employment related injury within ten (10) days of the occurrence or risk penalties being assessed against the insurance plan covering the employer, and

**WHEREAS**, in recent years, the Workers' Compensation Board has started to enforce penalties for failure to report an injury or failure to timely report an injury, with penalties up to \$2,500 for each act possible, and

**WHEREAS**, under the current local law governing the County Plan, those costs are not capable of being directly applied to the offending member, but are instead spread across to all participants, and

**WHEREAS**, Article 5, §64 of the Workers' Compensation law requires that the Board of Legislators shall, by local law, provide for the administration of a plan for workers' compensation, and

**WHEREAS**, the law requires that adoption of a local law be preceded by a public hearing,

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that a public hearing on proposed Local Law F (No. ) for the year 2024, will be held at 5:45 p.m. on August 5, 2024, in the Legislative Board Room, subject to approval of the Rules of Procedure for 2024.

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW F (NO. ) FOR THE YEAR 2024, "REPEALING LOCAL LAW 3 FOR THE YEAR 1993 AND AMENDING LOCAL LAW 2 FOR THE YEAR 1956, A LOCAL LAW ENUMERATING RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY SELF-INSURANCE PLAN"**

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Legislators of St. Lawrence County as follows (existing and continuing local law language is in standard type face, New local law language is in italics):

I. *Title*

*A local law enumerating rules and regulations for the administration of the St. Lawrence County Self-Insurance Plan*

II. *Statement of Legislative Findings and Intent*

*It is the intent of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators:*

- 1. To equitably apportion the cost of participants consistent with the risk brought to the plan and the participant's recent experience, thereby encouraging participants to focus on accident prevention coupled with early and safely returning injured workers to productive work. Local Law No. 3 for the year 1993 is hereby REPEALED. Local Law No. 2 of 1956 [A Local Law enumerating Rules and Regulations for the Administration of the St. Lawrence County Self-Insurance Plan] to establish apportionment of costs to plan participants, together with such other amendments and additional new rules and regulations necessary for the efficient administration of the Self-Insurance Plan is hereby AMENDED; and*
- 2. The apportioned funds will be exclusively used for plan operation, including all direct and indirect expenses; and*
- 3. To allow "fire districts" with taxing authority or that are municipal corporations shall be eligible plan participants as an independent entity as provided under Workers' Compensation Law §60 provided such fire district, if currently apportioned as part of another participant, shall first agree with said participant how the ongoing liabilities of any claims incurred prior to such conversion shall be paid; and*
- 4. To establish a method for making actuarial calculations of plan liabilities for any purposes (including the sum owing from an entity withdrawing from the plan and establishing a buy-in rate to entering participants), an installment methodology for both entering and withdrawing participants, provisions relating to the role and responsibilities of the plan administrator, determining the maximum reserve upon an actuarial determination of plan liabilities, requiring proof of medical testing for certain titles as prescribed by law, codifying the required labor management safety committee together with its powers, and methods of enforcement plan*

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*provisions and the governing law, including but not limited to, withholding of sales tax proceeds; and*

*5. Further, it is intended that any provision of Local Law No.2 of 1956 that is not amended by this local law shall remain in full force and effect as is currently in force and as amended hereto, if so amended hereto.*

### III. Statutory Authority

*Article V of the New York State Workers' Compensation Law provides:*

*§64, Administration of Plan: authorizes the County Legislature by local law to provide for the administration of the Self-Insurance plan including naming an administrator, provides that plan funds shall be placed in the custody of the County Treasurer and that the County Attorney is designated as the legal advisor to the Self-Insurance plan.*

*§65, Rules and Regulations: authorizes the County Legislature, by local law, to establish plan rules and regulations, including but not limited to, enforcement mechanisms and collections of any enforcement sanctions from participants.*

*§67, Annual Estimate; payments by participants: obligates the plan administrator to prepare an annual budget estimate and provides for the methods of notification to participants and the allocation amongst the Self-Insurance plan participants and collection method for non-payment.*

*§69, Reserve: authorizes the legislature by local law to establish a reserve of the Self-Insurance plan for payment against plan liabilities and the maximum amount of contribution to the reserve.*

*§71(1), Accrual of Liabilities: authorizes the legislature by local law to provide for operation of the Self-Insurance plan on an actuarial and/or experience rating basis, in whole or part, and once adopted may not thereafter be discontinued.*

*§74 Manner of Adoption of Local Laws: provides for the manner of the adoption of local laws under the Workers' Compensation Law in the manner prescribed in the Municipal Home Rule Law; yet shall not be subject to mandatory or permissive referendum.*

IV. Rules and Regulations for the administration of the St. Lawrence County Self-Insurance Plan are hereby promulgated.

#### A. PARTICIPATION

In addition to the county, participation in the St. Lawrence County Self-Insurance Plan shall be available to:

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Cities  
Towns  
Villages  
School Districts  
*Rescue Squads*  
*Fire Districts*

*The participation of a town or village shall include: fire districts, fire protection districts, fire alarm districts and volunteer ambulance companies of the respective town or village under the terms and conditions as more fully set forth in the provisions of Workers' Compensation Law §63, unless said rescue squad or fire district is an independent participant as provided hereinafter.*

#### B. ENTRY AND WITHDRAWAL

*Entry into the Plan by an eligible municipality, fire district or volunteer ambulance company, other than participants in the Plan on the effective date of this local law, shall be made by service upon the Administrator of a certified copy of the local resolution or legalizing act authorizing same on or before March 31st of the calendar year for the ensuing calendar year. Withdrawal by an eligible municipality from the Plan shall be made by service of a certified copy of the local resolution or legalizing act withdrawing from the Plan on or before March 31st of in the calendar year for the ensuing calendar year. Any withdrawal from the Plan shall require the payment of the withdrawing participant's equitable share of unfunded liabilities of the Plan, as calculated by an actuarial reserve estimate without discounting for present value.*

#### C. APPORTIONMENT OF COSTS

*Following the preparation of the annual estimate of projected amounts necessary for the ensuing calendar year, pursuant to Workers' Compensation Law §71, the share of the amounts chargeable to each participant shall be made using the classifications and loss costs adopted by the New York Compensation Insurance Rating Board to govern the underwriting of Workers Compensation and Employers Liability Insurance, Voluntary Compensation Insurance and Employers Liability Insurance in the State of New York. In the event that the New York Compensation Rating Board shall cease to promulgate said rates and classifications, the County Legislature shall by resolution identify another equitable means to identify costs by employee industrial classification.*

#### D. PAYMENTS BY PARTICIPANTS

Each participant, except towns and Cities, shall pay the County Treasurer within thirty days after the commencement of its fiscal year the amount billed as its share of the annual estimate of the plan.

The amount due from each Town and City participating shall be included in the next succeeding tax levy against property taxable by the participant responsible therefor.

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#### E. RESERVE

*All funds of the Plan are to be held by the county treasurer as a separate fund as required under Workers' Compensation Law §64(2). In such fund, a self-insurance reserve is established in an amount not to exceed [\$200,000.00] where such sum represents the figure above the amount necessary to fully fund the actuarially determined outstanding ultimate liability of the Plan.*

#### F. REPORTING OF REQUIRED MEDICAL TESTS

*Each Plan participant is responsible to provide medical tests and examinations as required by law, licensing agency, or government entity having oversight over the participant's employee qualifications or standards. Upon compliance, but in any event within the timeframe required for compliance of such medical tests and examinations, the Plan participant shall provide confirmation or status to the Administrator of the completion of such required medical tests and examinations. The costs associated with any and all such tests shall be borne by the respective Plan participant.*

#### G. ADMINISTRATOR FUNCTIONS

*The plan administrator as appointed pursuant to Local Law No. 1 of 1956 shall have the following duties and authority within the annual estimate adopted, together with and in addition to such other duties as are required to administer the plan under the controlling laws and regulations that apply to the plan:*

- 1. Prepare and recommend the annual estimate as set forth under WCL §67;*
- 2. Secure a professional claims administrator, actuary and other required professional services for the implementation of the provisions of this local law;*
- 3. Make safety recommendations to the Labor Management Safety Committee and engage safety professionals or trainers for any adopted safety measures;*
- 4. Advise the legislature of significant changes to the Workers' Compensation Law, regulations and case law;*
- 5. Settle plan claims or stipulate to plan claim resolutions. The administrator shall settle or stipulate to claim resolutions using a reasonable and prudent standard. In no event, other than medical exigency, shall the administrator voluntarily enter into such an agreement or stipulation if the amount to be paid, together with the total amounts expended for the given budget year will exceed the adopted budget for the given year. All such agreements and stipulations shall be reported to the chair at least quarterly;*
- 6. Provide plan participants with all necessary forms at plan expense that are reasonably necessary for plan participants to file required claims forms, logs and reports;*
- 7. Provide or arrange for participant "key employee" training on all plan procedural requirements, including, but not limited to, new claim and claim update reporting;*
- 8. Report deficiencies of participant filing and reporting to the Labor-Management Committee or the legislature as prescribed herein for such action as authorized under Workers' Compensation Law §65(2).*

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#### H. LABOR MANAGEMENT SAFETY COMMITTEE

*A Labor-Management Safety Committee is established under the plan as provided for under Workers' Compensation Law §71(2) and shall be constituted as directed therein. Within a line item in the annual estimate adopted for the plan, the Labor-Management Committee shall have the authority to:*

- 1. Establish such plans and programs designed to educate public employees of the plan participants in proper health and safety procedures,*
- 2. Design additional programs as may be appropriate to the development of a safe working environment in participants' facilities and job sites,*
- 3. Publicize the availability of the plans and programs established by the Labor-Management Committee,*
- 4. Review incident investigations in order to make safety recommendations to plan participants,*
- 5. Receive notice of delinquency of plan participants from the administrator and take such action as it deems proper, including a penalty authorized under Workers' Compensation Law §65(2); excepting where the proposed penalty is for the participant to be expelled from the plan, such action shall be submitted to the legislature for authorization. No penalty imposed by the Labor-Management Committee shall exceed the penalty that the Workers Compensation Board is authorized to impose upon the plan.*

*Participants in the plan shall cooperate with the administrator and the Labor Management Committee by promptly filing all required reports, by aiding in the investigation of claims or incidents whether or not any injury occurred, by developing and enforcing safety programs adopted by the Labor Management Committee and by furnishing any additional aid or information that may be required to carry out the provisions and intent of the Workers' Compensation Law.*

#### I. PENALTIES

*For any violation of the provisions of the foregoing section or of the requirements of the Workers' Compensation Law the Administrator may recommend to the Board of Legislators a penalty against any participant which shall not exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00). The Board of Legislators may upon resolution by a majority vote of the members present and voting upon roll call charge a penalty in excess of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) or expel such member from the plan. Any expulsion from the Plan shall require the payment of the expelled participant's equitable share of unfunded liabilities of the Plan, as calculated by an actuarial reserve estimate without discounting for present value.*

#### J. CATASTROPHE INSURANCE

*The Administrator, subject to the approval of the legislature, may purchase excess insurance, the cost of which shall be an administrative expense of the plan and apportioned to the participants pro rata. A*



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V. *Definitions:*

*The terms as utilized in this local law shall have the meaning as set forth under Workers' Compensation Law §60 [Definitions] unless otherwise defined in this local law.*

*“Legislature” shall mean the legislature of the County of St. Lawrence.*

VI. *Conflicting Laws*

*The provisions of this local law are intended to supersede the provisions of any other local law amending Local Law #2 of 1956 any conflicting provisions of such other amending local law notwithstanding.*

*The provisions of this local law are intended to be construed as consistent with the authorizing statutes as set forth in section 3 hereof and not in conflict therewith.*

VII. *Severability*

*In the event any provision of this local law shall be determined to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable; the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this local law shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby and such provision shall be ineffective only to the extent of such invalidity, illegality and unenforceability.*

VIII. *Effective Dates*

*This local law shall take effect January 1, 1957; except that subdivision C of section 1 shall take effect August 1, 1956 together with the effective dates of subsequent amendments being made hereto by local law. The effective date of the amendments and additions made by and through the provisions herein contained is upon the adoption of the same by the legislature and filing with the Secretary of State.*

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, DO HEREBY CERTIFY that I have compared this Resolution No. 211-2024 Entitled “Setting a Date for a Public Hearing on Adopting Local Law F (No. ) for the Year 2024, "Repealing Local Law 3 for the Year 1993 and Amending Local Law 2 for the Year 1956, "A Local Law Enumerating Rules and Regulations for the Administration of the St. Lawrence County Self-Insurance Plan", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

*Kelly S. Bigwarfe*

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
July 2, 2024

July 1, 2024

Finance Committee: 6-24-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 212-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT  
WITH BLUE WING SERVICES, INC., FOR TOWER LEASING BROKERAGE**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Emergency Services currently maintains a Very-High Frequency (VHF) analog un-encrypted radio system for fire departments, ambulance services, and law enforcement agencies operating within the County, and

**WHEREAS**, the current VHF radio system, which was implemented in 1988, replaced the previous low-band option owned and maintained by St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, the current VHF radio system relies on antiquated and outdated equipment that is no longer supported by the manufacturer, some of which has started to fail in a faster progression than anticipated, and

**WHEREAS**, the current VHF radio system is experiencing frequent interruptions, consistent static, intentional and unintentional unauthorized transmission on public safety frequencies, and overall coverage degradation as technology evolves, causing an extreme deficit to public safety and the safety of responders in the County, and

**WHEREAS**, to explore the mitigation of these issues, Resolution No. 141-2014 authorized the use of Blue Wing Services to conduct a Communications Study and act as the public safety communications consultant, and

**WHEREAS**, Blue Wing Services assisted in the planning and construction of multiple interoperability public safety radio towers in Colton, Waddington, Hammond, Gouverneur, Massena, Russell, and Ogdensburg to assist in increasing the overall radio coverage, and

**WHEREAS**, since 2014, Blue Wing has assisted in the planning, implementation, and design of the St. Lawrence County Emergency Services Interoperability Telecommunications Tower Project, and

**WHEREAS**, during implementation, it was determined that collocation of user groups on telecommunication towers could increase the likelihood of project approvals from various State and Federal agencies, and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to increasing the likelihood of project approvals, use of vacant tower space to generate revenue for the County operations results in good stewardship of a County resource, and

**WHEREAS**, Blue Wing Services, Inc., specializes in lease management and procurement for tower space on telecommunication projects, and

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**WHEREAS**, the proposal from Blue Wing Services, Inc. envisions management, fee collection, maintenance, and leasing being overseen and managed by Blue Wing Services in exchange for twenty-percent (20%) of the lease values it secures, with no additional fees or payment for the service, and

**WHEREAS**, all leases proposed and secured by Blue Wing Services, Inc. will require separate resolutions authorizing the arrangements,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Blue Wing Services, Inc. for the management and brokerage of tower space leases on telecommunication towers owned and operated by St. Lawrence County for one year, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 212-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Professional Services Agreement with Blue Wing Services, Inc., for Tower Leasing Brokerage", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
July 2, 2024

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Finance Committee: 6-24-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 213-2024

**ESTABLISHING THE WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT  
BUDGET FOR THE PROGRAM YEAR 2024-2025**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County is the designated Grant Recipient for Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Acts funds and establishes budgets in accordance with obligations received, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County has been provided with funding levels by New York State for WIOA Formula Funds and TANF Funds, and

**WHEREAS**, total funds anticipated for Program Year 2024-2025 (July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025) are \$1,496,641, and

**WHEREAS**, the St. Lawrence County Workforce Development Board approved the Budget at the June 12, 2024 meeting,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to establish the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Budget, as follows:

<b><u>CATEGORY</u></b>	<b><u>2023</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
Administration	\$117,518	\$105,000
Title I Adult	\$340,148	\$304,312
Youth	\$390,209	\$348,065
Dislocated Workers	\$327,305	\$292,624
Trade Adjustment Assistance Rapid Response Training	\$ 0	\$ 10,000
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	<u>\$380,043</u>	<u>\$436,640</u>
Total Appropriations	<b>\$1,555,223</b>	<b>\$1,496,641</b>
Total Revenue	<b>\$1,555,223</b>	<b>\$1,496,641</b>

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that any remaining funds will be rolled over to future budgets until the grant is fully expended.

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 213-2024 Entitled "Establishing the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Budget for the Program Year 2024-2025", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
July 2, 2024

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Finance Committee: 6-24-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 214-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR A SPECIAL PROJECT MARKETING PROPOSAL FOR AMERICA'S 250TH COMMEMORATION AND MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the County of St. Lawrence is rich in history with many museums, historians, historical sites, heritage festivals and events, historically significant people, and history-inspired art, and

**WHEREAS**, American's 250th Commemorative initiative is a nationally recognized effort to create a platform to highlight our historical assets with the opportunity to bring more visitors to St. Lawrence County while enhancing historical and heritage programmatic experiences for residents, and

**WHEREAS**, as the Tourism Promotion Agent (TPA) for St. Lawrence County, the Chamber of Commerce will work more closely with the County Historian and other relevant committees and stakeholders to amplify promotional efforts while supporting existing foundational initiatives, and

**WHEREAS**, strategic branding, marketing, advertising, event promotions, printed marketing materials, event tabling, and tradeshow attendance with consideration to the 250th commemorative efforts will enhance tourism-driven programming and elevate the visitor experiences to attract more tourists to St. Lawrence County,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to Sign an Agreement with St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce for a Special Project Marketing Proposal for America's 250th Commemoration, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2024 Budget for the Chamber of Commerce, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$15,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1M75104 46000 SP	B PRTNR AG - Special Proj	\$15,000
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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 214-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement with St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce for a Special Project Marketing Proposal for America's 250th Commemoration and Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Chamber of Commerce", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk

St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators

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Finance Committee: 6-24-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 215-2024

**MODIFYING THE 2024 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS FOR  
MACHINERY RENTAL AND EQUIPMENT REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Section 133 of the New York State Highway Law provides for the payment of machinery rental to the County Road machinery fund, and

**WHEREAS**, New York State establishes the machinery rental rates, and

**WHEREAS**, New York State has not updated the machinery rental rates since 2017, and has now adopted Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) rates that are over forty-percent (40%) higher, and

**WHEREAS**, the FEMA machinery rental rates were not included in the formulation of the 2024 Budget, and

**WHEREAS**, inflation has significantly increased the cost of equipment repairs and maintenance, and

**WHEREAS**, \$894,000 will be used to purchase equipment in 2024 to reduce the capital obligation planned in the 2025 capital equipment replacement plan,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for machinery rental and equipment repair and maintenance, as follows:

**DECREASE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

03TG0911 50300	Fund Balance, Unreserved Unappropriated	\$1,184,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

03TG0910 50300	Fund Balance, Unreserved Appropriated	\$1,184,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HM551124 40600 B1	H B1 Machinery Rental	\$67,000
HM151104 40600 H1	H H1 Machinery Rental	100,000
HM551104 40600	H MB Machinery Rental	67,000
HC051424 40600	H CSR Machinery Rental	248,000
HS051444 40600	H Snow Machinery Rental	50,000
HG051484 40600	H HSOG Machinery Rental	32,000

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HM351104 40600

## H MR Machinery Rental

620,000

## INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

HR051302 24000

## H RM Highway & Street Equipment

\$894,000

HR051304 42200

## H RM I/D Equip Repair & Maintenance

220,000

HR051304 42202

## H RM Equip Repair & Maintenance

40,000

HR051304 454SS

## H RM Shop Supplies

30,000

\$1,184,000

## INCREASE REVENUE:

HR028015 55000

H Rental of Equip – Other Fund

\$1,102,000

HR023025 55000

## H LR RM State Snow Removal

50,000

HR024145 55000

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 215-2024 Entitled “Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for Machinery Rental and Equipment Repair and Maintenance”, adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
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Finance Committee: 6-24-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 216-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN PAYMENT PLAN AGREEMENTS BETWEEN  
ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY SOLID WASTE AND INDIVIDUAL HAULERS FOR THE  
REPAYMENT OF ACCUMULATED SOLID WASTE HAULING DEBT**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, over the years, St. Lawrence County has enacted two laws that affect the way trash and recyclables are handled in St. Lawrence County; the first law, Source Separation, was written in 1991 and amended in 1997, which makes it mandatory for County residents to recycle, for haulers to provide and enforce recycling, and for the County to oversee this process, and the second law, Flow Control, requires all Municipal Solid Waste generated in St. Lawrence County to be disposed of in St. Lawrence County at a transfer station or at the DANC landfill, and

**WHEREAS**, as a part of the control of solid waste, the Solid Waste Department was created and placed under the auspices of the St. Lawrence County Highway Superintendent, and

**WHEREAS**, the St. Lawrence County Solid Waste Department operates Transfer Stations located at the following locations, “Ogdensburg Transfer Station”, located at 522 CR 28A, Ogdensburg, N.Y., “Massena Transfer Station” located at 49 Dump Road, Massena N.Y., “Gouverneur Transfer Station” located 1831 US Hwy 11, Gouverneur, N.Y. and the “Star Lake Transfer Station”, located at 4582 SH 3, Star Lake, N.Y., and

**WHEREAS**, as a part of the operation of the Transfer Stations, private trash haulers and commercial trash haulers must pay based upon the weight of materials they are dumping for hauling by the County, and

**WHEREAS**, the extent of the trash and recyclables brought daily to the Transfer Stations, results in sizable amounts of money being owed for the use of the service, and

**WHEREAS**, from time to time, debts accumulated by the haulers may require a payment schedule to be established that allows for ease of budgeting without disruption of service by the hauler, and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to County Law § 450(3)(d), the Board of Legislators may delegate to the Chair such powers as are necessary to “...execute and deliver documents and contracts authorized by such board,”

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign payment plan agreements between St. Lawrence County Solid Waste and individual haulers for the repayment of accumulated solid waste hauling debt, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 216-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to Sign Payment Plan Agreements between St. Lawrence County Solid Waste and Individual Haulers for the Repayment of Accumulated Solid Waste Hauling Debt", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk

St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators

July 2, 2024

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Finance Committee: 6-24-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 217-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CANTON CHURCH AND COMMUNITY PROGRAM FOR USE OF THE PARKING LOT AT THE COUNTY COURT HOUSE FOR A 50TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, since 1974, the Canton Church and Community Program has provided a way for neighbors to help neighbors by providing food, clothing, and offering referrals for additional assistance to those in need and doing so with respect to those they serve, and

**WHEREAS**, on September 14, 2024, the Canton Church and Community Program will be hosting a 50th birthday celebration and requests the use of the Courthouse parking lot for said purpose including a children's train ride to be assembled in the parking lot to be held from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., and

**WHEREAS**, the Canton Church and Community Program would hold the County harmless from any and all liability arising from the use of the County parking lot,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an agreement with the Canton Church and Community Program for Use of the Parking Lot at the County Court House for a 50th Birthday Celebration, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 217-2024 Entitled "Authorizing the Chair to sign an Agreement with the Canton Church and Community Program for Use of the Parking Lot at the County Court House for a 50th Birthday Celebration", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
July 2, 2024

July 1, 2024

Full Board: 7-1-2024

RESOLUTION NO. 218-2024

**AUTHORIZING FILLING OF VACANCIES**

By Mr. Forsythe, District 2, Mr. Smithers, District 5 and Mr. Perkins, District 7

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 369-2019 and Resolution No. 253-2020 authorized the continuance of the current vacancy review process with a recommendation that the vacancies continue to be deliberated at each jurisdictional committee, but one resolution be created for all approved positions to be considered at the Regular Board Meeting, and

**WHEREAS**, the Vacancy Review Committee reviewed seven (7) positions in six (6) departments, and of those reviewed four (4) positions were new positions, and three (3) positions will be abolished,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the fill of each of the following vacancies which have been reviewed and recommended to be filled or created and filled by the Vacancy Review Committee:

Department/Unit:	Title:	Position	Type	Duration	Timeline
Highway	Engineering Aide III*	313200001	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Public Health	Supervising Public Health Nurse*	504200001	FT	Permanent	60 days
Public Defender	Assistant Public Defender	021400003	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff	605000019	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Sheriff	Deputy Sheriff	605000046	FT	Contingent	Immediate
District Attorney	Assistant District Attorney*	026800015	FT	Contingent	Immediate
Emergency Services	Administrative Assistant	005200014	FT	Provisional	Immediate

\*new position

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that Position No. 314200001, Field Operations Coordinator, be abolished in the Highway Department; and Position No. 502000024, Community Health Nurse, be abolished in Public Health, and Position No. 0051000035, Secretary I, be abolished in Emergency Services, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** for any positions funded by grants, and the grant goes away, those positions will be abolished, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the appointing authorities are authorized to fill the positions as provided for in the resolution.

July 1, 2024

STATE OF NEW YORK

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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 218-2024 Entitled "AUTHORIZING FILLING OF VACANCIES", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
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RESOLUTION NO. 219-2024

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH LOT 21  
FOR SPACE IN THE CITY OF OGDENSBURG, NEW YORK,  
LOCATED AT 206 FORD STREET**

By Mr. Reagen, District 1

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 261-2021 authorized the Chair to sign a contract with David and Lynn Blevins for the lease of property at 206 Ford Street, Ogdensburg, New York, and

**WHEREAS**, the total space consists of 6,471 square feet and is currently occupied by the Department of Motor Vehicles, Probation, and Community Services' Addiction Services Clinic, and

**WHEREAS**, the terms of a new agreement will be five (5) years from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2029, for approximately 6,471 square feet of space, and

**WHEREAS**, the space will also provide for flexibility for additional department space during upcoming renovations to County facilities in Canton, and

**WHEREAS**, the rental rate will be \$12.90 per square foot (K1414104 40700, Q1031404 40700, A1342504 40700) in the first year of the lease, with a two-percent (2%) increase per annum for the five (5) year term of the lease,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a lease agreement with Lot 21 for space in the City of Ogdensburg, New York, located at 206 Ford Street, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** at an initial rental rate of \$12.90 per square foot with a two (2%) percent increase per annum, for a five-year term, from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2029.

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COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE

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I, Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, **DO HEREBY CERTIFY** that I have compared this Resolution No. 219-2024 Entitled "AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH LOT 21 FOR SPACE IN THE CITY OF OGDENSBURG, NEW YORK, LOCATED AT 206 FORD STREET", adopted July 1, 2024, with the original record in this office and that the same is a correct transcript thereof and of the whole of said original record.

Kelly S. Bigwarfe

Kelly S. Bigwarfe, Deputy Clerk  
St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators  
July 2, 2024