

****PURSUANT TO THE STATE OF EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 202.1 ARTICLE 7, SUSPENSION OF LAW ALLOWING THE ATTENDANCE OF MEETINGS TELEPHONICALLY OR OTHER SIMILAR SERVICE****

Members Attending: Mr. Denesha, Mr. Acres, Mr. Fay, Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Lightfoot, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Reagen, Mr. Sheridan, and Mr. Smithers

Members Attending Via Videoconference: Mr. Arquiett, Mr. Burke, Ms. Curran, Ms. Fiacco, Ms. Haggard, and Ms. Terminelli

Others Attending: Ruth Doyle, Kelly Pearson, Dylan Soper, and Stephen Button

1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Chair Denesha called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Mr. Lightfoot moved to amend the agenda to include letter E, District Attorney, under Vacancy Review Committee, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Mr. Forsythe moved to approve the amended agenda, seconded by Mr. Acres, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Mr. Perkins moved to approve the July 13th meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Sheridan, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

3. COVID-19 UPDATE – Ms. McGuire

4. BOARD OF ELECTIONS – JENNIE BACON AND TOM NICHOLS

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a New York State Elections Cybersecurity Remediation Grant for the Board of Elections (Res) – Mr. Acres moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

B. Authorization to Modify the 2020 Board of Elections Budget for the Acceptance of the HAVA CARES Act Grant (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Fay, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

5. PLANNING – JASON PFOTENHAUER

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Geographic Information System Hosting Agreement Extension with the Development Authority of the North Country (Res) – Mr. Lightfoot moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Acres, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

B. Lead Grant Update (Discussion) – Mr. Pfothenauer

Mr. Pfothenauer gave an update on the Census 2020 count. The deadline was moved up to September 30th. The State has released funding to St. Lawrence County in the amount of \$127,556.

6. EMERGENCY SERVICES – MATT DENNER

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Barton & Loguidice, P.C. to Prepare an All-Hazards Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for St. Lawrence County (Res) – Mr. Acres moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Lightfoot, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

7. SHERIFF – BROOKS BIGWARFE

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services FY20 Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (SLETPP) Grant and Modifying the 2020 Budget for the Sheriff’s Office (Res) – Mr. Acres moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

B. Accepting a FY20 Operation Stonegarden Program (OPSG) Grant from New York State Division of Homeland Security and Modifying the 2020 Budget for the Sheriff’s Office (Res) – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

C. Accepting a 2021 Police Traffic Services (PTS) Grant from the State of New York Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee and Modifying the 2020 Budget for the Sheriff’s Office (Res) – Mr. Acres moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Fay, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Sheriff Bigwarfe said a second phase of an ongoing, cross jurisdictional drug trafficking investigation named “Operation Drop” was conducted this morning resulting in more arrests.

8. INDIGENT DEFENSE

Mr. McGahan discussed the following resolution:

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with the New York State Defenders Association for the Public Defender Case Management System (Res) – Mr. Acres moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Reagen, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

9. VACANCY REVIEW COMMITTEE

A. Summary (Info) – Ms. Doyle

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

C. Probation – Mr. LePage requested to fill a Probation Supervisor, Position No. 610200003, and abolish a Probation Assistant position and create and fill Probation Officer Position No. 610000030, in the Probation Department.

D. Public Defender – Mr. McGahan requested to fill an Assistant Public Defender, Position No. 021400001, in the Public Defender’s Office.

E. District Attorney – Mr. Pasqua requested to fill an Assistant District Attorney, Position No. 026800002, in the District Attorney’s Office.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Agriculture & Farmland Protection Board – no report

B. Alternatives to Incarceration Board – no report

C. Board of Trustees for Supreme Court Library – no report

D. Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board – no report

E. Environmental Management Council – Ms. Terminelli

F. Fire Advisory Board – no report

G. Intercounty Legislative Committee – no report

H. Jury Board – no report

I. Planning Board – Mr. Fay

11. OLD/NEW BUSINESS – There was no old/new business.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Executive Session will be held in conjunction with the following Services Committee meeting.

13. ADJOURNMENT – Chair Denesha moved to adjourn the August Operations Committee Meeting at 6:42 p.m., as there was no further business.