

Chair Lightfoot called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** All Legislators were present.

Mr. Denesha led everyone in prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Lightfoot held a moment of silence for those who fought for our freedom in June of 1944.

**APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Mr. Fay moved to approve the June Full Board Meetings, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Ms. Curran moved to approve the May 6, 2019 meeting minutes, seconded by Ms. Arquiatt, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

RESOLUTION NO. 197-2019

**PROCLAIMING JUNE AS DAIRY MONTH**

By Mr. Acres, District 8

**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-second anniversary of National Dairy Month, and

**WHEREAS**, milk and dairy foods provide health benefits and valuable nutrients, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County dairy farmers produced 828 million pounds of milk in 2018, ranking the County third in the Northeast Milk Marketing Area which extends from New Hampshire to Maryland, and

**WHEREAS**, May 2018 milk production ranked St. Lawrence County 53<sup>rd</sup> out of the top 100 dairy counties in the United States, and

**WHEREAS**, according to the Northeast Statistical Handbook, 299 dairy farms operate in the county, the second 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 region's economy, and

**WHEREAS**, the value of dairy products in 2017 exceeded \$139 million and accounted for seventy three percent (73%) of the total value of all agricultural products generated by St. Lawrence County farmers,

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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators does hereby proclaim June as Dairy Month.

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Mr. Acres moved to adopt Resolution No. 197-2019, seconded by Ms. Curran and Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Introduction of the Dairy Princess and her Court: **Dairy Princess** Chloe Renaud, Gouverneur; **Alternate Dairy Princess** Elaina Wainwright, Canton; **Dairy Ambassadors:** Kaylin Gotham, Hermon; Leeann Gotham, Hermon; Michael Pierce, Heuvelton; Kaitlyn Putman, Lisbon; Sarah Rodee, Canton; and Abigail Smith, Colton; **Dairy Promoters:** Myrah Bullock, Edwards and Addison McKnight, Chase Mills

A recess was called at 6:07 p.m. for a small reception in the lobby, sponsored by the Dairy Princess and her Court. The meeting resumed at 6:18 p.m.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** The following correspondences were read by the Deputy Clerk:

1. Two resolutions were received from the Town of Potsdam: A resolution condemning hate speech and a resolution calling for the resignation of the County Legislator representing District 15

Mr. Acres returned from the recess to the meeting at 6:19 p.m.

**CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:** Kevin Beary, Colton, said the resolutions just mentioned in communications from the Town of Potsdam and the original resolution brought forward by Legislator Haggard and presented at the previous Board Meeting leaves him questioning whether the meme mentioned in the social media post was to be considered hate speech.

**PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS:**

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RESOLUTION NO. 198-2019

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A MAINTENANCE CONTRACT WITH BUSINESS ELECTRONICS FOR VOICE RECORDERS IN THE 911 CENTER**

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS,** Emergency Services purchased Audiology Recording Equipment for the 911 Center with a grant from the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Office of Interoperable and Emergency Communications, and

**WHEREAS,** a new maintenance contract is required to extend maintenance coverage on this equipment for coverage beginning June 15, 2019 through June 14, 2020 in the amount of

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\$3,940 (X2Z36404 43700 18SI),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a maintenance contract with Business Electronics for voice recorders in the 911 Center, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. Denesha moved to adopt Resolution No. 198-2019, seconded by Ms. Terminelli and Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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RESOLUTION NO. 199-2019

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES TO ACCEPT A FY19 SHSP GRANT AND MODIFYING THE 2019 BUDGET FOR THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES**

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Services has awarded funding of \$138,709 to the Office of Emergency Services to support regional preparedness efforts with a contract period of September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2022, and

**WHEREAS**, this grant will facilitate the ability of St. Lawrence County to support the 2014-2016 NYS Homeland Security Strategy and to assist law enforcement terrorism prevention activities,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract, and any other contracts as required for this grant, with New York State Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Services to accept a FY19 SHSP Grant, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2019 Budget for the Office of Emergency Services, as follows, and roll over any remaining funds to future budgets until the grant is expended:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

X2Z36402 25000 19HS	Technical Equipment	\$37,757
X2Z36404 43007 19HS	Other Fees and Services	<u>100,952</u>
		\$138,709

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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

X2Z43895 57000 HSEC

X FA HSEC Federal Aid

\$138,709

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Mr. Denesha moved to adopt Resolution No. 199-2019, seconded by Ms. Curran and Mr. Perkins, and carried unanimously by a roll call vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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RESOLUTION NO. 200-2019

**AUTHORIZING THE ADDITION OF TWO PARCELS TOTALING 62.5 ACRES  
TO AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT 2**

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County has two Agricultural Districts that help protect and enhance its agricultural resources, and

**WHEREAS**, March 1<sup>st</sup> to March 30<sup>th</sup> has established as the annual 30-day review period to receive requests to add land to these districts, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2019 the County received requests to add one parcel to Agricultural District 1, and two parcels to Agricultural District 2, and

**WHEREAS**, based on criteria specified in Agriculture and Markets Law, the County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board reviewed each request and recommend two parcels be added to Agricultural Districts 2, and

**WHEREAS**, no public comments were received at or before the April 16<sup>th</sup> public hearing about the recommended additions,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the addition of two parcels totaling 62.5 acres to Agricultural District 2, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Planning Office to submit the appropriate documentation to the Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets as required by law.

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Mr. Denesha moved to adopt Resolution No. 200-2019, seconded by Mr. Forsythe and Mr. Acres, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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RESOLUTION NO. 201-2019

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH VOLUNTEER  
TRANSPORTATION CENTER, INC. TO PROVIDE MOBILITY  
MANAGEMENT SERVICES IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY**

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County was awarded Formula 5311 grant funding to secure mobility management services for the rural transit system in the County, and

**WHEREAS**, mobility management is the development and coordination of transportation solutions so that riders can access employment, education, health services, places of business, community facilities and government offices, and

**WHEREAS**, there is no County cost for mobility management services as all funds pass-through the Department of Transportation from the Federal Transit Administration to Volunteer Transportation Center, Inc., and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County published an RFP for mobility management services, and Volunteer Transportation Center, Inc. was the sole responding agency,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Volunteer Transportation Center Inc. to provide Mobility Management Services, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators authorizes the Planning Office to engage in requisite activities to provide grant administration and program delivery services, and to close out this grant when complete, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to rollover any remaining funds to future budgets until fully expended.

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Mr. Denesha moved to adopt Resolution No. 201-2019, seconded by Ms. Curran and Mr. Fay, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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RESOLUTION NO. 202-2019

**MODIFYING THE 2019 BUDGET FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO ACCEPT A FY16 CTZ 8 RED TEAM EXERCISE GRANT FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES OFFICES**

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Office has been awarded a grant in the amount of \$1,657 through the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Offices, and

**WHEREAS**, this FY16 CTZ 8 Red Team Exercises Grant provides funding for overtime costs related to enhancing the Safeguard NY Program by conducting a red team exercise to test effectiveness of Operation Safeguard,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2019 Budget for the Sheriff's Office to accept a FY16 CTZ 8 Red Team Exercise Grant from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Offices, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S1Z31101 18000 RT16	S CRIM Overtime CTZ Grant	\$1,294
S1Z31108 81000 RT16	S CRIM Retirement CTZ Grant	222
S1Z31108 83000 RT16	S CRIM Social Security CTZ Grant	100
S1Z31108 84000 RT16	S CRIM Workers Comp CTZ Grant	<u>41</u>
		\$1,657

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

S1Z43895 57000 HSEC	HSEC Federal Aid	\$1,657
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Mr. Denesha moved to adopt Resolution No. 202-2019, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a roll call vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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RESOLUTION NO. 203-2019

**ACCEPTING A FY18 OPERATION STONEGARDEN PROGRAM (OPSG) GRANT FROM NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND MODIFYING THE 2019 BUDGET FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services has awarded a FY18 Operation Stonegarden Grant in the amount of \$250,000 to key law enforcement agencies in St. Lawrence County, with a contract period of October 1, 2018 to August 21, 2021, 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 \$92,509 and will act a pass-through agency for a local law enforcement agencies, and the City of Ogdensburg Police Department which will receive \$95,782, and

**WHEREAS**, the remaining funding of \$61,709 is allocated to three State level law enforcement agencies (NYS Police, NYS Park Police, and NYS DEC) who will do their own reporting,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Sheriff to accept an FY18 Operation Stonegarden Program (OPSG) Grant from New York State Division of Homeland Security, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2019 Budget for the Sheriff's Office, as follows, and rollover any remaining funds to future budgets until the grant is expended:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

S1Z31101 18000 SG18	S CRIM Overtime	\$43,750
S1Z31102 25000 SG18	S CRIM Technical Equipment	30,783
S1Z31104 43007 SG18	S CRIM Other Fees and Services	95,782
S1Z31104 44000 SG18	S CRIM I/D Automotive Supplies	2,400
S1Z31104 44100 SG18	S CRIM I/D Gasoline & Oil	2,390
S1Z31108 81000 SG18	S CRIM Retirement	6,449
S1Z31108 83000 SG18	S CRIM Social Security	5,359
S1Z31108 84000 SG18	S CRIM Workmen's Compensation	<u>1,378</u>
		\$188,291

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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

S1Z43895 57000 HSEC

S FA HSEC Federal Aid

\$188,291

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Mr. Denesha moved to adopt Resolution No. 203-2019, seconded by Mr. Forsythe and Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a roll call vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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RESOLUTION NO. 204-2019

**AUTHORIZATION TO ABOLISH A HUMAN RESOURCE AIDE POSITION  
AND CREATE AND FILL A SECRETARY I POSITION IN HUMAN RESOURCES**

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Ms. Arquiett, District 11

**WHEREAS**, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, Position No. 017500001, Human Resource Technician, was vacated on March 29, 2019, due to a retirement, and

**WHEREAS**, an employee in Position No. 005100025, Secretary I, was promoted to Human Resource Technician with a probationary period of three (3) months during which time the employee had rights back to the Secretary I Position, and

**WHEREAS**, the rights of the employee to return to the Secretary I Position are being exercised; therefore, the Human Resources Aide Position must be abolished and Secretary I Position created,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Director of Human Resources to abolish Position No. 017600003, Human Resources Aide, and create and fill a Secretary I Position in the Human Resources Department, as follows:



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**ABOLISH:**

CP014301 14000	Human Resource Aide Grade 19, Base	\$37,099
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**CREATE:**

CP014301 14000	Secretary I Grade 20, Base	\$38,436
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Human Resources Director to create and immediately fill Position No. 005100033, Secretary I, in Human Resources.

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Mr. Denesha moved to adopt Resolution No. 204-2019, seconded by Mr. Acres and Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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RESOLUTION NO. 205-2019

**AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A SENIOR CLERK  
POSITION IN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Ms. Arquiett, District 11

**WHEREAS**, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, Position No. 002400013, Senior Clerk, will be vacated on May 24, 2019, due to a resignation, and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of the District Attorney is constitutionally and statutorily mandated to prosecute all felonies, misdemeanors, and violations, filed in over forty state and local courts throughout St. Lawrence County, as well as all criminal appeals to the Appellate Division and the New York State Court of Appeals, and

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**WHEREAS**, the ability of the Office of the District Attorney to execute its Constitutional and Statutory obligations requires the assistance of adequate support staff that possess a good working knowledge of legal procedures and terminology, as well as the capability to prepare legal documents, and

**WHEREAS**, staffing the Office of the District Attorney with adequate support staff is absolutely critical in order to facilitate and streamline necessary communications with State and local courts, defense attorneys, and law enforcement agencies, and assist staff attorneys with day-to-day work, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the District Attorney to immediately fill Position No. 002400013, Senior Clerk, in the Office of the District Attorney.

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Mr. Denesha moved to adopt Resolution No. 205-2019, seconded by Mr. Leader, Mr. Forsythe, and Mr. Acres, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) abstention (Haggard).

Operations Committee: 5-13-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 206-2019

**AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A LEGAL SECRETARY POSITION  
IN THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER**

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Ms. Arquiett, District 11

**WHEREAS**, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, Position No. 005300011, Legal Secretary, is anticipated to become vacant on May 15, 2019, due to resignation, and

**WHEREAS**, this position is responsible for legal secretary duties primarily associated with the grant to include maintaining a database to accurately and effectively report data for grant reporting, processing paperwork and filing legal documents, as well as other related duties, and

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**WHEREAS**, the Office of the Public Defender provides legal services to indigent persons in the County, and requires support staff to assist the attorneys in the office in adequately fulfilling their legal obligations in an efficient, as well as time and cost effective manner while balancing the rights of the clients to effective and meaningful representation, and

**WHEREAS**, this position is a grant-funded position through the Second Counsel at First Appearance Grant, distributed NYS Office of Indigent Legal Services,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Public Defender to immediately fill Position No. 005300011, Legal Secretary, in the Office of the Public Defender, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in the event the grant funding that provides for the position is removed, the position will be abolished.

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Mr. Denesha moved to adopt Resolution No. 206-2019, seconded by Ms. Curran and Mr. Acres, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) abstention (Haggard).

Services Committee: 5-13-2019

**RESOLUTION NO. 207-2019**

**MODIFYING THE 2019 BUDGET FOR SOCIAL SERVICES FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO TECHNOLOGY AND BUILDING ACCESSIBILITY**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, there is a need use a SNAP Bonus Award to make improvements to technology and building accessibility,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2019 Budget for Social Services for improvements to technology and building accessibility, as follows:

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

DAG46115 57000 FSBA	D FA FSBA Revenue	\$87,943
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

DAG60104 43007 FSBA	D FSBA Fees for Services-Non E	\$87,943
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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 207-2019, seconded by Mr. Burke and Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a roll call vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Services Committee: 5-13-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 208-2019

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH HILLSIDE CHILDREN'S CENTER**

By Mr. Sheridan, 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**, with support from the Dave Thomas Foundation for Adoption, Hillside Children's Center uses permanency recruiters to carry out evidence-based child-focused recruitment using the Wendy's Wonderful Kids Program to assist the recruitment efforts of the Department of Social Services, and

**WHEREAS**, an agreement that outlines the mutual responsibilities between St. Lawrence County and Hillside Children's Center for recruiting adoptive families for children in foster care is necessary to access the available additional support from the Wendy's Wonderful Kids Program,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with Hillside Children's Center, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 208-2019, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Services Committee: 5-13-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 209-2019

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH NORTHERN LIGHTS HOME HEALTH CARE FOR THE PROVISION OF PERSONAL CARE SERVICES**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Social Services currently contracts with United Helpers Home Health Services for the provision of personal care services and United Helpers Home Health Services is switching the provision of personal care services to Northern Lights Home

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Health Care, and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Social Services is mandated to ensure the provision of services to clients who have been authorized to receive such services and Northern Lights Home Health Care is anticipated to be helpful as a provider of personal care services,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the the Chair to sign a contract with Northern Lights Home Health Care for the Provision of Personal Care Services, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 209-2019, seconded by Ms. Curran and Mr. Fay, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Services Committee: 5-13-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 210-2019

**AUTHORIZATION TO CREATE AND FILL A TEMPORARY LEGAL SECRETARY POSITION AND FILL A LEGAL SECRETARY POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6 and Ms. Arquiett, District 11

**WHEREAS**, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, Position No. 005300003, Legal Secretary, is anticipated to be vacated on June 28, 2019, due to a retirement, and

**WHEREAS**, this position is necessary to prepare legal documents in matters affecting and protecting the welfare of children and adults, and

**WHEREAS**, filling this position is needed to maintain the high standards set by the Department of Social Services and State, and to comply with federal regulations and statutes regarding the pursuit and collection of child support, and

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**WHEREAS**, training a replacement for this position before the retirement occurs is essential to ensure that the work of the Legal Office of the Department of Social Services is accurate and timely,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Commissioner of Social Services to create and immediately fill Position No. 005300016, Temporary Legal Secretary, in the Department of Social Services, as follows:

**CREATE:**

DAA60101 14000	Legal Secretary Grade 23, Base	\$42,934
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that upon the retirement Position No. 005300003, Legal Secretary, will be immediately filled and Position No. 005300016, Temporary Legal Secretary, will be abolished.

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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 210-2019, seconded by Ms. Arquiatt, Mr. Haggard, and Mr. Acres, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 211-2019**

**AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A KEYBOARD SPECIALIST POSITION  
IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6 and Ms. Arquiatt, District 11

**WHEREAS**, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, Position No. 003100046, Keyboard Specialist, will be vacated on May 17, 2019, due to a promotion, and

**WHEREAS**, this position is needed to ensure the completion and monitoring of foster care placement and other documentation, and

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**WHEREAS**, not filling this position could result in untimely reports for court proceedings, children remaining in care longer than necessary, and unsuccessful audits,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Commissioner of Social Services to fill Position No. 003100046, Keyboard Specialist, in the Department of Social Services, no earlier than sixty (60) days from the date vacated.

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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 211-2019, seconded by Mr. Denesha, Mr. Haggard, and Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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RESOLUTION NO. 212-2019

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A ONE YEAR EXTENSION  
TO THE CONTRACT WITH IMA SYSTEMS, LLC, FOR BILLING SERVICES  
FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, IMA Systems, LLC, has provided billing software to Community Services for many years (A1142504 47801, A1342504 47801, A3143204 47801, and A3143204 43007), and

**WHEREAS**, billing for services provided by the Mental Health and Chemical Dependency Clinics for reimbursements have had many changes implemented at State level, and

**WHEREAS**, with the increased billing role by IMA, there has been considerable progress made to collect revenue for all services provided, and

**WHEREAS**, in November of 2018, the IMA contract providing billing services for Community Services was extended for a period of six (6) months, and

**WHEREAS**, currently the Mental Health and Chemical Dependency Clinics does not have the staffing configuration to accomplish an adequate billing process,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a one year extension to the contract with IMA System, LLC, for billing services for Community Services at a monthly cost of \$4,500, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 212-2019, seconded by Mr. Acres and Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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RESOLUTION NO. 213-2019

**MODIFYING THE 2019 BUDGET FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR FUNDING FROM RFMH/OASAS 2018 NEW YORK STATE OPIOID RESPONSE GRANT**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Community Services has received funding modifications from New York State Opioid Response (SOR), and

**WHEREAS**, Community Services has recognized the need for increased access for individuals with an Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) for recovery services in St. Lawrence County,

**WHEREAS**, this one-time increase is to fund a peer advocate to engage clients that are struggling with their recovery program,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2019 Budget for Community Services for funding from RFMH/OASAS 2018 New York State Opioid Response Grant, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

A1142501 11000 SOR	A CACD Direct Service Workers	\$38,436
A1142508 81000 SOR	A Retirement	5,416
A1142508 83000 SOR	A Social Security	2,940
A1142508 84000 SOR	A Workmens Compensation	1,080
A1142508 84500 SOR	A Group Life Insurance	58
A1142508 86000 SOR	A Hospital & Medical Insurance	9,663
A1142508 86500 SOR	A Dental Insurance	400
A1142508 89000 SOR	A Vision Insurance	188
A1142504 43005 SOR	A Advertising Fees & Expenses	250
A1142504 421FL SOR	A Fleet Lease	2,400
A1142504 44100 SOR	A PAAC I/D Fuel Charges	2,000
A1142504 44001 SOR	A Automotive Expenses	375
		<u>\$63,206</u>

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

A1134865 56000	A SA Canton Chem Dep	\$63,206
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in the event the grant funding that provides for the position is removed, the position will be abolished, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to roll-over any remaining fund to future budgets until fully expended.



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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 213-2019, seconded by Ms. Arquiett and Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a roll call vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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RESOLUTION NO. 214-2019

**AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A LICENSED SOCIAL WORKER POSITION  
IN COMMUNITY SERVICES**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6 and Ms. Arquiett, District 11

**WHEREAS**, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, Position No. 512400001, Licensed Social Worker, will be vacated on May 29, 2019, due to retirement, and

**WHEREAS**, the filling of direct service and revenue generating positions within both the Chemical Dependency and Mental health Clinics is paramount to the viability of the Department and to the care of its current and future clients,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Director of Community Services to immediately fill Position No. 512400001, Licensed Social Worker, in Community Services.

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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 214-2019, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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Services Committee: 5-13-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 215-2019

**AUTHORIZATION TO CREATE AND FILL A CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY  
CASE AIDE POSITION IN COMMUNITY SERVICES**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6 and Ms. Arquiett, District 11

**WHEREAS**, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, the needs of the Department can best be met by creating and filling a Chemical Dependency Case Aide Position who will also be a Certified Peer Recovery Advocate (CRPA), and

**WHEREAS**, a CRPA provides face to face services to facilitate outreach to engage individuals in treatment, reinforce continued participation, and connect them to community-based recovery supports, and

**WHEREAS**, this position is funded by an OASAS State Opioid Response Grant for the first year, which will allow Community Services to concomitantly bill Medicaid and Medicaid Managed Care for face to face services, and

**WHEREAS**, at the end of the one-year "pilot" a determination will be made on the sustainability of maintaining this position after the grant period ends based on the revenue generated,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Director of Community Services to immediately fill Position No. 510300003, Chemical Dependency Case Aide, in Community Services, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in the event the grant funding that provides for the position is removed, the position will be abolished.

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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 215-2019, seconded by Ms. Curran and Ms. Arquiett, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Services Committee: 5-13-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 216-2019

**AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A MEDICAL DIRECTOR POSITION FOR THE  
CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY CLINIC IN COMMUNITY SERVICES**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6 and Ms. Arquiett, District 11

**WHEREAS**, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, the needs of the Clinic surpass the availability of the current Medical Director therefore a replacement is necessary, and

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Alcoholism & Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) states that each program must have a physician designated to be the Medical Director, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Director of Community Services to immediately fill Position No. 510900003, Medical Director, upon vacancy in Community Services.

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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 216-2019, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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Services Committee: 5-13-19

RESOLUTION NO. 217-2019

**AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY COUNSELOR  
POSITION IN COMMUNITY SERVICES**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6 and Ms. Arquiett, District 11

**WHEREAS**, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, Position No. 510400015, Chemical Dependency Counselor, will be vacated on June 28, 2019 due to retirement, and

**WHEREAS**, the filling of direct service and revenue generating positions within both the Chemical Dependency and Mental Health Clinics is paramount to the viability of this department and to the care of its current and future clients,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Director of Community Services to fill Position No. 510400015, Chemical Dependency Counselor, upon vacancy in Community Services.

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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 217-2019, seconded by Mr. Denesha and Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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Services Committee: 5-13-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 218-2019

**AUTHORIZATION TO ABOLISH A CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY PROGRAM  
DIRECTOR AND CREATE AND FILL A SENIOR CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY  
COUNSELOR POSITION IN COMMUNITY SERVICES**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6 and Ms. Arquiett, District 11

**WHEREAS**, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, this vacancy has been reviewed and the recommendation of the Department could best be met by abolishing a Program Director Position in Ogdensburg, and creating and filling a Senior Chemical Dependency Counselor, and

**WHEREAS**, Position No. 511800002, Program Director, will be vacated on May 31, 2019, due to a resignation, and

**WHEREAS**, in March 2019, OASAS amended the regulations and no longer require a Program Director for each OASAS Clinic, provided the responsibilities have been delegated to another qualified staff member, and

**WHEREAS**, the Senior Counselor Position will be able to carry a higher caseload and offset the cost of the position,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Director of Community Services to immediately fill Position No. 507300004, Senior Chemical Dependency Counselor, in Community Services, as follows:

**ABOLISH:**

A1342501 12000	Program Director Grade V, Step 7	\$80,405
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**CREATE:**

A1342501 11000	Senior Chemical Dependency Counselor Grade 28, Base	\$52,025
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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 218-2019, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Services Committee: 5-13-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 219-2019

**AUTHORIZATION TO FILL AN ACCOUNT CLERK POSITION  
IN COMMUNITY SERVICES**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6 and Ms. Arquiett, District 11

**WHEREAS**, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, Position No. 100100009, Account Clerk, will be vacated as of May 24, 2019, due to retirement, and

**WHEREAS**, the Account Clerk Position is necessary to handle self-pay and third party billing for the Mental Health and Chemical Dependency Clinics to ensure revenue maximization and miscellaneous items as well as provide back up for other office staff in Community Services,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Director of Community Services to fill Position No. 100100009, Account Clerk, upon vacancy in Community Services.

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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 219-2019, seconded by Ms. Curran, Mr. Perkins, and Ms. Arquiett, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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Services Committee: 5-13-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 220-2019

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM CONTRACT FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program HRI Contract for the Public Health Department has been renewed for July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020, and

**WHEREAS**, the Emergency Preparedness Program Contract (PP044895 57000 EP) is \$86,657, and

**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, and 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,

**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.

Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 220-2019, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Services Committee: 5-13-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 221-2019

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH JACK VENESKY, CPA AND ASSOCIATES TO PREPARE THE PRESCHOOL/SCHOOL SUPPORTIVE HEALTH SERVICES (SSHSP) ANNUAL MEDICAID COST REPORT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department is required to file an annual Preschool/School Supportive Health Services Program (SSHSP) Medicaid Cost Report, and

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**WHEREAS**, the firm of Jack Venesky, CPA & Associates has been providing this service for the Public Health Department, and has submitted a proposal to continue providing these services for a term of July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020 (PPK40504 43003) for \$4,500 annually,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Jack Venesky, CPA and Associates to prepare the Preschool/School Supportive Health Services (SSHSP) Annual Medicaid Cost Report for the Department of Public Health, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 221-2019, seconded by Ms. Arquiatt and Ms. Terminelli, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Services Committee: 5-13-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 222-2019

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A MARKETING AND LICENSING AGREEMENT WITH “WALK WITH A DOC”**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 229-2018 authorized the first contract with this organization and it has been well received in St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, the mission of the Public Health Department is to ensure the health, safety and quality of life for all St. Lawrence County residents, and

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department is dedicated to protecting the health of our community by controlling the spread of disease, promoting healthy choices, promoting timely health information, promoting the health and development of infants and children, and planning for and helping mitigate any public health emergency, and

**WHEREAS**, New York State law requires local county governments to ensure the delivery of critical core public health services as described above, and

**WHEREAS**, this agreement will allow the Public Health Department to meet goals noted in the Community Health Assessment Plan, and

**WHEREAS**, this agreement will require the Public Health Department to schedule twelve (12) walks per year, which will include various venues throughout St. Lawrence County, and



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**WHEREAS**, the fees associated with ‘Walk with a Doc’ will be paid by Bridge to Wellness Partners at no cost to the County,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a Marketing and Licensing Agreement with “Walk with a Doc”, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 222-2019, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Finance Committee: 5-20-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 223-2019

**MODIFYING THE 2019 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS FOR WINTER MAINTENANCE**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Highways is responsible for maintaining safe and passable roads throughout the year, and

**WHEREAS**, the Department has solicited bids for road salt for the 2019-2020 winter maintenance season, and

**WHEREAS**, the lowest bid is \$77.86 per ton, a \$21 per ton increase over last year, and 11,577 tons was purchased last season, and

**WHEREAS**, as a result of the increase in salt costs for the last quarter of 2019 combined with winter maintenance costs to date in 2019, the Department projects additional revenue under the State Snow and Ice agreement, and

**WHEREAS**, this additional revenue may be used to offset increased costs projected for 2019,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorized the Treasurer to modify to the 2019 Budget for the Department of Highways for winter maintenance, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HC051424 40600	CSR Machinery Rental	\$10,000
HC051424 454WM	CSR Winter Maintenance Materials	75,000
HS051444 454WM	H Snow Winter Maintenance Materials	<u>125,000</u>
		\$210,000

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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

HS023025 55000	H LR State Snow Removal	\$210,000
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Mr. Acres moved to adopt Resolution No. 223-2019, seconded by Mr. Fay, Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Denesha, Ms. Curran, and Ms. Arquiatt, and carried unanimously by a roll call vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Finance Committee: 5-20-2019

**RESOLUTION NO. 224-2019**

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH BARTON & LOGUIDICE, D.P.C. FOR PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING AND FINAL DESIGN FOR DEPOT STREET BRIDGE OVER DEER RIVER, BIN 3220850, PIN 775386**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 140-2019 approved Federal Aid Local Project Agreement for preliminary engineering design and right-of-way incidentals in the amount of \$220,000, and

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

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Highways has solicited qualifications for consultant services for preliminary engineering design and final design services, 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:	Depot Street Bridge over Deer River PIN 775386, Town of Brasher

Engineering & Design Fee: Not to Exceed \$ 337,000  
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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. for preliminary engineering and final design for Depot Street Bridge over Deer River, BIN 3220850, PIN 775386, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. Acres moved to adopt Resolution No. 224-2019, seconded by Mr. Fay, Mr. Sheridan, Ms. Arquiatt, and Ms. Curran.

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Mr. Acres moved to amend the resolution to remove the wording "Right-of-way (ROW) incidentals" from the title, third whereas, and the now therefore be it resolved, seconded by Ms. Curran and Mr. Burke, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Resolution No. 224-2019 was adopted unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Finance Committee: 5-20-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 225-2019

**AUTHORIZATION TO FILL TWO FULL-TIME TEMPORARY  
SANITARY LANDFILL ATTENDANT POSITIONS IN SOLID WASTE  
AT THE TRANSFER STATIONS**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6 and Ms. Arquiett, District 11

**WHEREAS**, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, these vacancies have been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, the Solid Waste Department has been challenged in times of short staffing at the transfer stations, which will be exacerbated due to anticipated military leaves, and

**WHEREAS**, the 2019 Budget for Solid Waste includes two (2) Temporary Sanitary Landfill Attendant Positions, and these positions will work forty (40) hours per week for twelve (12) weeks,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Superintendent of Highways to immediately fill Position Nos. 306400001 and 306400002, Temporary Sanitary Landfill Attendants, in Solid Waste at the Transfer Stations.

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Mr. Acres moved to adopt Resolution No. 225-2019, seconded by Mr. Haggard, Ms. Arquiett, Mr. Burke, and Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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Finance Committee: 5-20-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 226-2019

**AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A PROPERTY TAX LAW ENFORCEMENT  
SUPERVISOR POSITION IN THE TREASURER'S OFFICE**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6 and Ms. Arquiett, District 11

**WHEREAS**, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, Position No. 106600001, Property Tax Law Enforcement Supervisor, will be vacated on May 31, 2019, due to retirement, and

**WHEREAS**, this position is responsible for coordinating, directing, and supervising all aspects of the delinquent tax enforcement function pursuant to New York State Tax Laws and local laws, and

**WHEREAS**, if this position were not filled, it would impede the ability of the Treasurer's Office to satisfy New York State tax foreclosure procedures, as well as potentially delay the County's tax foreclosure auction,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to immediately fill Position No. 106600001, Property Tax Law Enforcement Supervisor, in the Treasurer's Office.

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Mr. Acres moved to adopt Resolution No. 226-2019, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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Finance Committee: 5-20-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 227-2019

**AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A DELIVERY CLERK POSITION  
IN THE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS FOR THE PRINT AND MAIL ROOM**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finances Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6 and Ms. Arquiett, District 11

**WHEREAS**, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

**WHEREAS**, Position No. 002200002, Delivery Clerk, was vacated on May 3, 2019, due to promotion, and

**WHEREAS**, this position is primarily responsible for sorting and delivering mail and packages to the United States Post Office, and all offices throughout the county, and

**WHEREAS**, this position uses postal scales and postage meters to weigh mail and affix postage, prepares packages, locks and unlocks postage machines and takes readings of charges for all departments daily, and

**WHEREAS**, this position will be filled provisionally due to the option for the promoted employee to return to the position, and civil service requirement for an exam to determine permanency,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the County Administrator to fill Position No. 002200002, Delivery Clerk, in the Board of Legislators for the Print and Mail Room, no earlier than thirty (30) days from the date vacated.

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Mr. Acres moved to adopt Resolution No. 227-2019, seconded by Mr. Denesha and Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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Finance Committee: 5-20-2019

RESOLUTION NO. 228-2019

**EXTENDING APPRECIATION TO GOVERNOR ANDREW CUOMO AND THE  
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS ON THE DECISION TO PRESERVE THE  
CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

Co-Sponsored by Mr. Reagen, District 1; Mr. Forsythe, District 2; Mr. Lightfoot, District 3;  
Mr. Sheridan, District 4; Mr. Leader, District 5; Mr. Haggard, District 10;  
Mr. Burke, District 12; Mr. Arquiatt, District 13;  
Ms. Terminelli, District 14 and Ms. Curran, District 15

**WHEREAS**, Governor Andrew Cuomo recently announced that the two prisons, located in the City of Ogdensburg and the Town of Gouverneur, which provide outstanding careers for members of over 1,000 families across St. Lawrence County will remain open to serve the people of the State of New York, and

**WHEREAS**, the correctional facilities provide more than a \$100 million in payroll, provide quality employment, and improve the quality of life for citizens across Northern New York, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 102-2019, adopted by the Board of Legislators in March, formally called upon the Governor to remember the promise he made during a campaign visit to Ogdensburg and St. Lawrence County in the summer of 2010 while he was marching in the Seaway Festival Parade that he felt the State of New York owed a debt of gratitude to the citizens of the Maple City for the decision of the community in the early 1980s to accept a prison at a time when other communities across the state were protesting and objecting to the location of correctional facilities in New York City, Long Island, and elsewhere, and

**WHEREAS**, then candidate Cuomo recalled how the Ogdensburg community helped his father, Governor Mario Cuomo at a time when the state was facing a crisis, and promised that if he was elected governor, he would keep the Ogdensburg prisons off any future closure lists because it had set an example for other communities across the State of New York by working hand in hand with the Department of Corrections to provide a place where inmates could be treated with dignity and respect while paying their debt to society, and

**WHEREAS**, when New York City faced another severe jail crisis in the late 1980s, the citizens of Ogdensburg again helped the State of New York by agreeing to accept the construction of Riverview Correctional Facility at a time when the citizens of the largest city in New York State were refusing to allow the construction of a new jail to house their own citizens who were facing unsafe conditions in and overcrowded and dangerous jail system in the metropolitan area, and

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**WHEREAS**, the citizens of Gouverneur also offered to accept a prison and even offered to provide financial assistance to the State of New York to help facilitate the location of a medium security prison, and later agreed to help the State of New York provide facilities for some of its most troubled inmates by agreeing to accept the construction of a Secure Housing Unit within the facility to provide a safe place where people could serve their sentences, and

**WHEREAS**, the prisons in Northern New York have repeatedly demonstrated they are less costly to operate than downstate prisons, result in fewer injuries to staff and inmates, result in higher vocational and academic graduation rates, and are more efficient in terms of operation, and

**WHEREAS**, the decision of Governor Cuomo to close Lincoln Correctional in Manhattan, a prison located next to Central Park sitting on some of the most valuable real estate in the world, offers the State an opportunity to sell the property for millions and redevelop the property to become a major economic asset for the citizens of our Great Empire State,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators extends their appreciation to Governor Andrew Cuomo and the Department of Corrections on the Decision to Preserve the Correctional Facilities in St. Lawrence County, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators thanks the Governor for acknowledging how the people of St. Lawrence County have a long history of helping the people of the State of New York and the City of New York when faced with a crisis, and need a helping hand, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senator Joseph Griffo, Senator Elizabeth Little, Senator Patty Ritchie, Assemblyman Mark Walczyk, Assemblyman Billy Jones, Assemblyman Robert Smullen, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, the leaders of Senate and Assembly, and Department of Corrections.

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Mr. Acres moved to adopt Resolution No. 228-2019, seconded by Mr. Leader, Ms. Curran, Mr. Haggard, Mr. Sheridan, Mr. Fay, Mr. Reagen and Mr. Forsythe.

Ms. Terminelli asked to be added as co-sponsors to the resolution.

Resolution No. 228-2019 was adopted unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

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RESOLUTION NO. 229-2019

**TRANSFERRING AN EASEMENT TO THE TOWN OF CLIFTON FOR THE  
CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, AND FUTURE REPAIR OF MAIN LINE WATER  
SERVICES TO THE FORMER JONES & LAUGHLIN SITE**

By Mr. Acres, District 8  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Denesha, District 6

**WHEREAS**, the County of St. Lawrence is the record title owner of 54+ acres of land in the Town of Clifton formerly owned by the Jones and Laughlin Steel Company and commonly referred to as the 'J&L Site' having taken title through tax foreclosure proceeding in 2014, and

**WHEREAS**, the County of St. Lawrence, along with the Town of Clifton and Town of Fine, desire to see this Adirondack Park Industrial classified property returned to productive use, and

**WHEREAS**, one of the primary concerns of St. Lawrence County regarding the site has been the re-establishment of an economically viable operation at the former J&L Site that will establish not only jobs but revitalization for the southeastern portion of the County, and

**WHEREAS**, the County has recently conveyed to Benson Mines, Inc. an exclusive five year option for the purchase of the J&L Site through the payment of \$10,000 and the execution of an acceptable option agreement, and

**WHEREAS**, upon successful completion of the requirements of the Option Agreement, Benson Mines, Inc. has agreed, in principle, to pay a remaining sum of money of \$165,000 to the County to consummate the sale, and

**WHEREAS**, following execution and filing of the option agreement, the County received notification from the Town of Clifton that the Town sought an easement in gross to the parcel in order to construct and install main water lines on the property, and

**WHEREAS**, the current option agreement restricts the ability of the County to convey any further easements on the land during the pendency of the agreement, except as permitted in writing by Benson Mines, Inc., and

**WHEREAS**, as a part of the process of environmental remediation of the J&L Site, the County has previously conveyed an environmental easement on the property to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation ("NYSDEC") which restricts the use of ground water at the location, and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interests of the County and Benson Mines, Inc. to grant the easement for construction, installation, and future repair of a water line to the subject property in order to provide for potable water at the site,



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**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators hereby authorizes the Chair to sign and execute a written amendment to the Option Agreement regarding the former J&L Site between Benson Mines, Inc. and the County of St. Lawrence to permit for the conveyance of an easement to the Town of Clifton for the construction, installation, and future repair of main water lines to the J&L Site, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Board of Legislators hereby authorizes the Chair to sign and convey an easement to the Town of Clifton for the construction, installation, and future repair of main water lines to the J&L Site, upon review and approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. Acres moved to adopt Resolution No. 229-2019, seconded by Mr. Denesha, Ms. Curran, and Mr. Sheridan, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

RESOLUTION NO. 230-2019

**APPOINTMENT OF A PUBLIC DEFENDER**

By Mr. Sheridan, District 4  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Leader, District 5; Mr. Acres, District 8  
Mr. Arquiatt, District 13; and Ms. Terminelli, District 14

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 31-2019 appointed James McGahan as the Interim Public Defender for St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, a Search Committee conducted interviews of applicants and has made its recommendation for permanent appointment,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators appoints James McGahan to a one-year term as Public Defender at a salary of \$87,377 to commence June 3, 2019, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that upon contract execution with NYS and the fill of the Chief Assistant Public Defender, a review of salary will be completed to ensure the Public Defender is one stop on the management salary schedule ahead of the Chief Assistant Public Defender.

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Mr. Sheridan moved to adopt Resolution No. 230-2019, seconded by Mr. Curran, Mr. Arquiatt, Mr. Leader, Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Acres, Mr. Fay and Mr. Haggard, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) abstention (Haggard).

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:** Ms. Doyle said she would like the Space Committee to convene in the upcoming week to discuss current needs and options.

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On, Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup>, the Fiscal Stability Audit Committee will meet to discuss Fund Balance recommendations.

Last Friday, Legislators Burke and Acres met with the Director of Soil and Water and the Forester to talk about forest management and to look at updates to the practice. A resolution will come to Finance Committee.

The Budget Team reviewed Community Services' billings, and had some concerns with the billings that they will share with the Board of Legislators. Also, a draft schedule for budget will be coming soon.

Demolition and onsite crushing are underway at the J&L Site, and should wrap up in two weeks. There will be an update when concluded.

Mrs. Doyle said she will be in Washington, D.C. next week for the National Defense Summit.

There were fifteen (15) providers in attendance for the Public Health training.

The Vacancy Review Committee will meet tomorrow to consider fourteen (14) positions.

There will be updates made to the IT Policy and the Purchasing Policy.

Mr. Forsythe asked the County Administrators for the number of employees out on administrative leave, the time frame, and costs to date. Ms. Doyle said she would send the information to the Legislators.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** There were no committee reports.

**OLD/NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Haggard said the Town of Potsdam asked to have a resolution they sent to be read out loud into the official record. The Deputy Clerk read the resolution in its entirety.

Mr. Fay moved to go to Executive Session at 6:59 p.m., to discuss litigation, negotiations, personnel and appointments, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A straw poll was taken to file an appeal and failed by a vote of 11 (eleven) no votes, and four (4) yes votes.

Mr. Leader left the meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Mr. Acres left the room at 7:43 p.m., and returned at 7:46 p.m.

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Ms. Terminelli left the room at 8:18 p.m. and returned at 8:20 p.m.

A straw poll was taken on a specific location to host an employee event, and passed by a vote of fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Leader).

Mr. Forsythe moved to go to Open Session at 8:30 p.m., seconded by Ms. Terminelli and Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Leader).

Mr. Denesha moved to appoint the following individual to the **Planning Board (Terms to expire: 1/31/2022)**, seconded by Mr. Perkins and Ms. Terminelli, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Leader):

Eric Alan, 320 Chapel Hill Road, Colton 13625 (Replacing Sandy Maine)

Mr. Sheridan moved to appoint the following individuals to the **Community Services Board**, seconded by Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Leader):

Chad Colbert, 1531 State Highway 11B, Potsdam 13676  
Laurie Zweifel, PhD, 511 Montgomery Street, Ogdensburg 13669

Mr. Sheridan moved to appoint the following individual to the **Office for the Aging Advisory Council**, and seconded by Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Leader):

Andrea Smith, 5528 State Highway 56, Potsdam 13676 (Replacing Ada Martinez)

Mr. Sheridan moved to reappoint the following individual to the **St. Lawrence County Traffic Safety Board (Term to Expire: 1/31/2022)**, seconded by Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Leader):

Francis Barney, 27 County Route 49, Hopkinton 12965

Ms. Curran asked to adjourn the appointment of Mr. Frank to the Community Services Board to the next Full Board Meeting on July 1, 2019, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Leader).

**CHAIR'S APPOINTMENTS:** There were no Chair's Appointments.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Chair Lightfoot adjourned the June Full Board Meeting at 8:35 p.m., as there was no further business.