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**TO:** St. Lawrence County Legislators and Other Interested People  
**FROM:** Kelly S. Pearson, Deputy Clerk  
**DATE:** December 4, 2020  
**SUBJECT:** **BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

Attached is a copy of the agenda for the Board Meeting of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators on **Monday, December 7, 2020**, in the Legislative Board Room.

When any reference is made to any contracts not set forth in the agenda, the original documents are available for inspection by any and all persons and are filed in the Clerk of the Board of Legislators' Office.

Order of Business:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Suspension of the Rules
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Prayer Followed by Pledge of Allegiance
- V. Memorial Ceremony
- VI. Approval of the Agenda
- VII. Approval of Minutes
- VIII. COVID-19 Update
- IX. Communications
- X. Citizen Participation
- XI. Presentation of Resolutions
- XII. County Administrator's Report
- XIII. Old/New Business
- XIV. Committee Reports
- XV. Executive Session
- XVI. Chair's Appointments
- XVII. Adjournment

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December 7, 2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**IN MEMORIAM OF A DECEASED MEMBER OF THE  
ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY BOARD OF LEGISLATORS**

By Ms. Terminelli, District 14

Co-Sponsored by Mr. Reagen, District 1; Mr. Forsythe, District 2; Mr. Lightfoot, District 3;  
Mr. Sheridan, District 4; Mr. Smithers, District 5; Mr. Denesha, District 6;  
Mr. Perkins, District 7; Mr. Acres, District 8; Mr. Fay, District 9; Ms. Haggard, District 10;  
Ms. Fiacco, District 11; Mr. Burke, District 12; Mr. Arquiatt, District 13;  
and Ms. Curran, District 15

**WHEREAS**, during the past year, we have lost from our ranks:

**DARREL P. PAQUIN**  
**Legislator**

**WHEREAS**, this man was recognized as a leader in his community and was chosen to serve on the Board of Legislators representing District 14 from 1982 through 1986, as well as performing other duties for his fellow citizens, and he honorably and diligently discharged the trust so reposed in him and he has now departed, leaving a record which we remember and which today we seek to commemorate,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that we treasure the qualities of service and devotion to duty of this, our absent friend, that we rejoice in the work he accomplished and sorrow that he is no longer with us, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in token of our respect to this departed associate, this resolution be included in our records as a permanent memorial to his time spent with us.

December 7, 2020

Operations Committee: 11-9-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN EXTENSION WITH NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES OFFICE OF INTEROPERABLE AND EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE FY17 OPERATION STONEGARDEN GRANT (OPSG)**

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 171-2018 authorized the Chair to sign a contract with New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Office of Interoperable and Emergency Communications for a FY17 Operation Stonegarden Grant (OPSG) having an award of \$176,786 with \$128,027 for the Sheriff's Office and reporting agencies (Grant #SG17-1010-D02), with contract dates of 10/1/2017 to 8/31/2020, and

**WHEREAS**, the mission of the Operation Stonegarden Grant is to utilize State, County and local law enforcement agencies to enhance border security within the County, and

**WHEREAS**, due to COVID-19, the manufacturing of equipment budgeted for this grant has been delayed, and for that reason a six-month extension was requested by the Sheriff's Office, and

**WHEREAS**, New York State Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Office of Interoperable and Emergency Communications has granted the six-month extension with a new contract end date of 12/31/2020,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an extension with New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Office of Interoperable and Emergency Communications for FY17 Operation Stonegarden Grant, and any other documents necessary as required by this grant, upon approval of the County Attorney.

December 7, 2020

Operations Committee: 11-9-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY FOR A FY20 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT SUPPLEMENTAL**

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, funding for the FY20 Emergency Management Performance Grant COVID-19 Supplemental (EMPG-S) is provided by the US Department of Homeland Security Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and is administered by the NYS Division of Homeland Security, and

**WHEREAS**, a grant in the amount of \$24,472 has been awarded to the Office of Emergency Services (X2043055 57000) with a contract period of January 27, 2020 through July 31, 2021, and

**WHEREAS**, this FY20 EMPG-S Grant will be utilized to offset salaries for administrative staff in relation to COVID-19 within the Office of Emergency Services, and

**WHEREAS**, the cost savings in administrative staff salaries will be used to fund previous and future COVID-19 expenditures (X2036404 42800 COVID) within the contract period of this grant,

**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 FY20 Emergency Management Performance Grant Supplemental, upon approval of the County Attorney.

December 7, 2020

Operations Committee: 11-9-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee

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

**WHEREAS**, a maintenance contract is required to extend maintenance coverage on this equipment for coverage beginning January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 in the amount of \$3,800 (X2Z36404 43007 PSAP),

**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 Dispatch Center, upon approval of the County Attorney.

December 7, 2020

Operation Committee: 11-9-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN EXTENSION OF A LEASE AGREEMENT  
WITH ST. LAWRENCE-LEWIS BOCES FOR AN EMERGENCY SERVICES  
COMMUNICATION TOWER ON THE WHITE HILL PROPERTY  
IN THE TOWN OF PARISHVILLE**

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, Emergency Services is constructing improved emergency services communications infrastructure (XPT27705 55000), and

**WHEREAS**, Emergency Services presently has an antenna on St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES property located on White Hill in the Town of Parishville, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2015, Resolution No. 282-2015, authorized the Chair to sign a lease agreement with St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES entering into a five (5) agreement to allow for the construction upgrades necessary to the Emergency Services infrastructure at the White Hill tower location, and

**WHEREAS**, the County would like to extend the term of that agreement by an additional five (5) year period, and it is the expectation of the County that prior to the expiration of the lease, an agreement will be reached with St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES whereby the ownership of the tower will be transferred to St. Lawrence County subject to a voter referendum,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an extension of a lease agreement with St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES for an emergency services communication tower on the White Hill property in the Town of Parishville, upon approval of the County Attorney.

December 7, 2020

Operations Committee: 11-9-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A DONATION OF A VEHICLE FROM THE CITY OF OGDENSBURG FOR THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, the duties of the Chief Confidential Investigator in the Office of the District Attorney include daily travel for trial preparation; grand jury preparation; investigations with law enforcement agencies; transporting witnesses for testimony; and assisting local agencies during narcotics investigations, and

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for a vehicle equipped with law enforcement communication and lighting equipment to maintain the daily investigation functions of the Office of the District Attorney, and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Ogdensburg and Ogdensburg Police Department recognize the value of the assistance of the St. Lawrence County District Attorney's Office and the Chief Confidential Investigator is to their agencies and other agencies throughout St. Lawrence County and have generously offered to donate a vehicle to assist the District Attorney's Office,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the acceptance of a donation of a vehicle from the City of Ogdensburg for the Office of the District Attorney.

December 7, 2020

Operations Committee: 11-9-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH  
THE ARC JEFFERSON – ST. LAWRENCE FOR THE OPERATION OF THE  
PUBLIC TRANSIT SYSTEM FOR ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY**

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee

**WHEREAS**, The Arc Jefferson – St. Lawrence has served as the operator of the public transit system for the County since May 2013 in accordance with New York State Department of Transportation and Federal Transit Authority Regulations, and

**WHEREAS**, the County issued a Request for Statement of Interest from vendors to serve as the bus operator for St. Lawrence County Public Transit, and

**WHEREAS**, The Arc Jefferson – St. Lawrence was the sole vendor to submit a proposal, and

**WHEREAS**, the transit system is projected to provide 80,000 trips and travel 1,216,315 miles in 2021, which is eligible for reimbursement through the Department of Transportation State Operation Assistance (STOA) Program, and

**WHEREAS**, public transit bus operations in 2021 is projected to cost up to \$2,470,325, and is fully funded using Federal Transit, NYS DOT, and private resources and does not rely on a County contribution, and

**WHEREAS**, the term of the contract is January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022 (N2B56304 43007, N2B35945 56003, N2B45895 57003, N2B17895 55001, and N2B17895 55000),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with The Arc Jefferson – St. Lawrence for the operation of the public transit system for St. Lawrence County, upon approval of the County Attorney



December 7, 2020

Services Committee: 11-16-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH  
VENESKY & COMPANY FOR ARTICLE 6 STATE AID PROCESSING FOR  
THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department is required to process applications and claims for State Aid reimbursement, and

**WHEREAS**, State regulations (10 NYCRR 39.3) stipulate claims received later than two (2) months after the relevant calendar quarter may be returned unpaid by the Commissioner and not resubmitted, and

**WHEREAS**, contracting with Venesky & Company to work with the Public Health Department to collect and interpret the required data to accurately complete the State Aid forms would ensure timely submission and calculation of State Aid reimbursements, while decreasing the possibility of loss of State Aid due to error and audit, and

**WHEREAS**, the professional fees of \$29,750 annually are one-hundred percent (100%) eligible for Article 6 State Aid Reimbursement, and

**WHEREAS**, this contract will cover the period of Fiscal Year January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, (PA040104 43003),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Venesky & Company for Article 6 State Aid processing for the Public Health Department, upon approval of the County Attorney.

December 7, 2020

Services Committee: 11-16-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH  
DR. BENJAMIN GRUDA FOR PHARMACIST SERVICES  
FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department is in need of a pharmacist to formulate and review medication practices for the clinics in the departments, and

**WHEREAS**, a contract is needed in order to obtain this service, and the pharmacist would be reimbursed a fee of \$175 quarterly for clinic audit to comply with Article 28 of Public Health Law, and the rate shall not exceed \$50 per hour (PP040104 43007 STD) for review of policies and procedures, and

**WHEREAS**, this contract will cover the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Dr. Benjamin Gruda for pharmacist services for the Public Health Department, upon approval of the County Attorney.

December 7, 2020

Services Committee: 11-16-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH JAMES MCGUINNESS & ASSOCIATES, INC., TO PROVIDE BILLING PROCESSING SOFTWARE FOR THE PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department would like to enter into a contract with James McGuinness & Associates, Inc., to provide billing processing software for the Pre-School Program for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, and

**WHEREAS**, this software is used to process the billing for the Pre-School Program, with an annual revenue average of \$1.7 million, and

**WHEREAS**, the maintenance and support charges are \$9,500/annually and include all maintenance and three (3) hours of support per month (PK040504 47801), and has been provided by James McGuinness & Associates since 2017, and

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Department of Education is discontinuing the Central New York Regional Information Center (CNYRIC) which is currently used by the Public Health Department to process the Medicaid billing and reimbursement of the Pre-School Program, with an annual revenue average \$500,000,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with James McGuinness & Associates, Inc. to provide billing processing software for the Pre-School Program for the Public Health Department, upon approval of the County Attorney.

December 7, 2020

Services Committee: 11-16-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS FOR  
EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
AND SETTING 2021 RATES FOR EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Public Health Department contracts for early intervention program services and these contracts are necessary to provide services for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, and

**WHEREAS**, contracted services include Occupational Therapy (OP), Physical Therapy (PT), Special Instruction Teachers (SI), Speech Language Pathology (SLP), Interpreter Services, and Audiology Therapy, and

**WHEREAS**, these services will be paid from the following accounts based on actual services provided: PE040594 430DS PROV; PE040594 48600 PROV; and PE040594 443CM PROV,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign contracts for Early Intervention Services for the Public Health Department, for the following rates, upon approval of the County Attorney:

<u>Services:</u>	<u>Rate for Current Providers:</u>	<u>Rate for New Providers:</u>
Developmental Core Evaluation (General)	\$175	\$155
Core Evaluation (Specialist)	\$108	\$100
Supplemental Evaluations	\$108	\$100
Interpreter Services	\$60	\$60
Direct Service Visit	\$60	\$45
Direct Service Visit (Speech)	\$62	\$45
Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP)/CPSE Meeting	\$42	\$30
IFSP Meeting w/Direct Service Visit (provided prior to or after the meeting)	\$60	\$50
Screening	\$175	\$130
Required Quality Assurance & Mandated Trainings	\$60	\$45
Parent/Child Play Group (minimum 2 children, \$12 each additional)	\$0	\$70
Travel Reimbursement for 2 hours travel per day	\$42	\$0
Mileage for Visits (Home or Community)	\$0	\$0.45/per mile

December 7, 2020

Services Committee: 11-16-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE 2021 ANNUAL UPDATE PLAN (AU)  
FOR FUNDING WITH THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE FOR THE AGING**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the New York State Office for the Aging requires each Office for the Aging to submit an Annual Update Plan (AU) for funding, and

**WHEREAS**, these funds enable the Office for the Aging to provide a variety of programs and services to county residents age 60 and older to help them age in place, and

**WHEREAS**, the completed Annual Update Plan for funding package must be signed by the Chief Executive Officer of St. Lawrence County,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign the 2021 Annual Update Plan (AU) for Funding with the New York State Office for the Aging, upon approval of the County Attorney.

December 7, 2020

Services Committee: 11-16-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the following organizations have appropriations in the 2021 Community Services Budget,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign contracts for Community Services, upon approval of the County Attorney, as follows:

<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>ACCOUNT NUMBER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Catholic Charities (CSS)	A4143224 465CC	\$225,059
Catholic Charities (CRV)	A4243224 465CC	\$118,608
North Country Freedom Homes	A2342504 46500	\$583,525
North Country Transitional Living Services (CRV)	A4243224 465TL	\$99,507
North Country Transitional Living Services (OFS)	A4443224 465TL	\$139,914
The Arc Jefferson-St. Lawrence NY (CSS)	A4143224 465AR	\$210,327
The Arc Jefferson-St. Lawrence NY (CRV)	A4243224 465AR	\$54,659
The Arc Jefferson-St. Lawrence NY (OFS)	A4443224 465AR	\$242,961
Reachout, Inc. (CSS)	A4143224 465RO	\$50,467
Reachout, Inc. (CRV)	A4243224 465RO	\$261,760
Reachout, Inc. (CRV)	A4243224 465RO HLINE	\$27,000
Reachout, Inc. (CPP)	A4343224 465RO	\$32,418
Seaway Valley Prevention Council	A2442504 46500	\$1,063,935
St. Joseph's Rehabilitation Center	A2142304 46500	\$157,350
STEP-BY-STEP (CSS)	A4143224 465SS	\$82,097
STEP-BY-STEP (CRV)	A4243224 465SS	\$93,286
STEP-BY-STEP (CPP)	A4343224 465SS	\$173,924
United Helpers (CRV)	A4243224 465UH	\$25,131
United Helpers (OFS)	A4443224 465UH	\$584,738
Northern Regional Center (OFS)	A4443224 465NR	\$154,817

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that New York State agencies of oversight (Office of Mental Health, Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services, and Office of Persons with Developmental Disabilities) may amend the amounts available to these providers, and if the amounts increase, a resolution will be presented for Board of Legislators consideration in 2021.

December 7, 2020

Services Committee: 11-16-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN EXTENSION OF THE CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH LOCUM TENENS STAFFING AGENCIES**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 94-2019 was adopted on March 4, 2019 authorizing a contract agreement with a Locum Tenens Staffing Agency, and

**WHEREAS**, Community Services is required to provide Mental Health and Chemical Dependency services to individuals with mental illness and/or substance/alcohol abuse problems, and

**WHEREAS**, Community Services is responsible for providing continuity of care for those individuals admitted to the Mental Health, Chemical Dependency, and Primary Care Clinics regardless on any untoward event that effects psychiatric prescriber employees from the delivery of mandated services in accordance with the rules and regulations made by and established by the Commissioners of OMH, OASAS, and DOH respectively, and

**WHEREAS**, Community Services currently has a contractual agreement with Locum Tenens Staffing Agency in order to continue to provide essential services until such time that permanent staffing can be pursued and secured, and

**WHEREAS**, the current contractual agreement is set to expire, and Community Services would like to extend the contractual agreement with Locum Tenens Staffing Agency for a period of six months beginning December 9, 2020 through May 8, 2021 (A1142504 43007 and A1342504 43007),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an extension of the contractual agreement with Locum Tenens Staffing Agencies, upon approval of the County Attorney.

December 7, 2020

Services Committee: 11-16-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AMENDED CONTRACT FOR ONE-TIME GRANT FUNDING FROM NEW YORK STATE OPIOID RESPONSE (SOR) AND MODIFYING THE 2021 BUDGET FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, Community Services has received funding modifications from New York State Opioid Response (SOR) with a contract date of September 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021, 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 purchase of a mobile treatment vehicle to provide access to treatment for Opioid Use Disorder,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an amended contract for one-time grant funding from New York State Opioid Response (SOR), upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2021 Budget for Community Services, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

A1Z42502 23000	A SOR Automotive Equipment	\$225,000
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**INCREASE REVENUE:**

A1Z44865 57000	A SOR FA Chemical Dependency	\$225,000
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December 7, 2020

Services Committee: 11-16-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS WITH SUB-RECIPIENTS FOR COMPREHENSIVE OPIOID, STIMULANT, AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SITE-BASED (COSSAP) PROGRAM FUNDS THROUGH COMMUNITY SERVICES**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, On October 16, 2020, the County received notice from the Office of Justice Programs that the application submitted by St. Lawrence County was successful and will receive funding opportunities entitled Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Site-based (COSSAP) Program, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 315-2020 authorized the acceptance of the Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Site-Based Program Grant, 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**, organizations that are sub-award recipients of the grant include St. Lawrence Health Systems providing an opioid treatment program; Seaway Valley Prevention Council providing peer support; and New Hope Transformation House Ministries, dba Grace House, providing housing for recovering female adults (A1542204 46500), and

**WHEREAS**, the terms of the contracts will be October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2023, in the amount of \$900,000 for the implementation of a multi-agency treatment approach to individuals with Opioid Use Disorder which includes an Opioid Treatment Program, Recovery Housing, and Certified Peer Support Services,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign contracts with sub-recipients for Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Site-Based (COSSAP) Program funds through Community Services, upon approval of the County Attorney.

December 7, 2020

Services Committee: 11-16-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE  
2020 RESOURCE ALLOCATION PLAN SIGNATURE PAGE**

By Mr. Sheridan, 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 2020 Youth Development Program year, and

**WHEREAS**, the signing of the RAP Signature Page will qualify St. Lawrence County for State reimbursement in the 2020 program year, and

**WHEREAS**, the amount allocated to the County in 2020 for youth development programs is \$96,068 (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 2020 RAP,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign the 2020 Resource Allocation Plan Signature Page, upon approval of the County Attorney.

December 7, 2020

Services Committee: 11-16-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVING THE 2020 RESOURCE ALLOCATION PLAN (RAP) PROGRAM OF THE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) has made Resource Allocation Plan (RAP) funds available to provide youth development programs, and

**WHEREAS**, various agencies have submitted a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Youth Development Program funding through the Youth Bureau (Y4073204 46000),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators approves the 2020 Resource Allocation Plan (RAP) Program of the Office of Children and Family Services, and authorizes the Chair to sign contracts, upon approval of the County Attorney, for Youth Development Grant Programs with the following organizations:

<u>ORGANIZATION:</u>	<u>TOTAL:</u>
PAL of Massena	\$4,500
Brasher Stockholm Recreation	\$3,600
Canton Free Library	\$2,250
Canton Recreation	\$2,700
Fowler Recreation	\$900
Gouverneur Youth Development Program	\$8,100
Hammond Recreation	\$900
Louisville Recreation	\$900
Massena Summer Recreation	\$1,800
Ogdensburg Boys & Girls Club	\$8,100
Ogdensburg Command Performance	\$1,800
Parishville Recreation	\$1,800
Potsdam Recreation	\$4,500

December 7, 2020

Services Committee: 11-16-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT FOR SUPPORT CASES  
BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES  
AND THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY**

By Mr. Sheridan, Chair, Services Committee

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Social Services has seen an increase in the number of support cases, and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Social Services would like to enter into a contract with the Office of the County Attorney for up to one (1) year to assume the responsibility of support cases with a term of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 (DAC60104 43002 D SCU), and

**WHEREAS**, there will be a six month review by both parties to determine continuation of the contract,

**WHEREAS**, due to staffing shortage at the end of 2019, the Deputy County Attorney provided assistance beginning December 16, and the County Attorney assumed responsibility on all matters of DSS Legal from January 28, 2020 through April 5, 2020, and on support matters again from July 27, 2020 through August 7, 2020,

**WHEREAS**, this assistance has provided an opportunity for the staff in the Office of the County Attorney to become familiar with the process and cases which should assist with the transition, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract between the Department of Social Services and the Office of the County Attorney for support cases.

December 7, 2020

Finance Committee: 11-23-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF TWO RHEONIX RAPID, FULLY AUTOMATED COVID-19 TESTING WORKSTATIONS AND MODIFYING THE ~~2021~~ 2020 BUDGET**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Ms. Haggard, District 10

**WHEREAS**, Rheonix, Inc. received emergency use authorization (EUA) from the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for rapid, fully-automated molecular COVID-19 testing, and

**WHEREAS**, the test enables detection of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19 from respiratory samples, and the sample-to-answer method will enable rapid testing, and can be quickly installed in critical locations of immediate need, and requires minimal training to operate, and

**WHEREAS**, the number of positive COVID-19 cases in St. Lawrence County are increasing at an alarming rate, and there is an urgent need for local hospital laboratories to have the capability of rapid testing with same-day results allowing for earlier decisions regarding isolation and treatment of infected patients,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the purchase of two Rheonix rapid, fully automated COVID-19 testing workstations, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the ~~2021~~ 2020 Budget, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$100,000
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

PP040102 25000 COVID	P PREV Technical Equipment	\$100,000
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Note: Change made a Committee reflected in strikeouts and bolds.

December 7, 2020

Finance Committee: 11-23-2020

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**MODIFYING THE 2021 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS AND APPROPRIATING ROAD MACHINERY FUND BALANCE TO THE 2021 ROAD MACHINERY BUDGET FOR PURCHASING EQUIPMENT**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, with an aging fleet of vehicles that increasingly is in need of repair, the Department of Highways manages the acquisition and maintenance of machinery and equipment, and

**WHEREAS**, the continued investment in equipment and machinery helps to ensure a timely response to road safety issues, and

**WHEREAS**, the Highway Equipment Replacement Plan in place since 2015 included issuing a bond for \$3M in 2016 with another capital investment in 2021 and again in 2026 to meet and maintain highway equipment needs, and

**WHEREAS**, the 2021 Budget process included discussions about how the County could best meet the needs for Highway through either adding to the levy, issuing another bond or ban, or utilizing the fund balance and the recommendation is to utilize fund balance, and

**WHEREAS**, in recognition of the need for new equipment, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators allocated funds in the 2021 Department of Highways Road Machinery Fund budget for equipment purchases, and

**WHEREAS**, the Superintendent of Highways submitted an equipment purchase plan in conjunction with the 2021 Budget, and

**WHEREAS**, Section 133, Article 6 of the New York State Highway Law allows for the transfer of funds, to allow the Superintendent of Highways to manage resources that best serves the department,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2021 Budget for the Department of Highways and appropriate road machinery fund balance to the 2021 road machinery budget for purchasing equipment, as follows:

**DECREASE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

04TG0911 50300    DM Unreserved Fund Balance Unappropriated    \$2,500,000

**INCREASE APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:**

04TG0910 50300    DM Unreserved Fund Balance Appropriated    \$2,500,000

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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

HR051304 24000	H RM Highway & Street Equipment	\$2,500,000
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**APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT #2 AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH STANTEC CONSULTING SERVICES, INC. FOR CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION SERVICES FOR BROWN'S BRIDGE ROAD OVER RAQUETTE RIVER PROJECT, BIN 3221560, PIN 775380**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 85-2019 authorized the Chair to sign a contract with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. for consulting services for the Brown's Bridge Road over Raquette River Project (the "Project") and Resolution No. 304-2019 authorized the Construction/Construction Inspection phase of the Project, and

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

**WHEREAS**, Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. is currently providing consulting services for this Project and is qualified to provide construction inspection services, and

**WHEREAS**, with concurrence from the NYS DOT, a supplemental agreement is required to provide construction inspection services for this Project,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators approves a Supplemental Agreement #2 for construction inspection services for:

Consultant:	Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.
Contract Title:	Brown's Bridge Road over Raquette River Project BIN: 3221560 PIN: 775380, Town of Pierrepont
Construction	\$129,852
Inspection Fee:	HM651204 465CO 1901

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to execute all necessary contracts, upon approval of the County Attorney.



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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**MODIFYING THE 2020 BUDGET FOR THE SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT  
FOR HIGHER THAN ANTICIPATED EXPENSES**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

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

**WHEREAS**, the expenses of the Department for recycling tipping fees and various other appropriation lines are projected to exceed the 2020 budget, and

**WHEREAS**, the projected overage in these expenses can be offset by projected revenue increases and appropriation decreases,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2020 Budget for the Solid Waste Department for higher than anticipated expenses, as follows:

**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

WH081604 43018 RECY	W RECY Tipping Fees	\$620,000
WH081604 44102 MSW	W MSW Other Fuel Charges	130,000
WLC81604 40800	W CAN Building & Property Maintenance	5,000
WLC81604 43015	W CAN State Fees	3,000
WT081604 43010	W TRS Pest Control	<u>1,000</u>
		\$759,000

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

WA017104 49700	W ADMIN Contingency Account	\$393,000
WH081604 43018 MSW	W MSW Tipping Fees	100,000
WH081604 44100 MSW	W MSW I/D Fuel Charges	<u>206,000</u>
		\$699,000

**INCREASE REVENUE:**

W1021305 550RF	W LR Recycling - Tip Fees	\$60,000
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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**ELECTIONS, REAL PROPERTY & COMMUNITY COLLEGE APPORTIONMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR 2021**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the following apportionments of Elections, Real Property and Community College charges for the year 2021 be applied to the following municipalities of St. Lawrence County:

<b>MUNICIPALITY</b>	<b>ELECTION CHARGES</b>	<b>REAL PROPERTY CHARGES</b>	<b>COMMUNITY COLLEGE CHARGES</b>
BRASHER	\$18,389.89	\$12,366.89	\$31,183.65
CANTON	\$67,519.34	\$20,111.05	\$25,760.02
CLARE	\$6,646.03	\$2,335.03	\$0.00
CLIFTON	\$33,404.63	\$6,223.61	\$11,184.01
COLTON	\$50,971.19	\$14,000.94	\$4,967.00
DEKALB	\$20,109.36	\$8,741.55	\$6,318.68
DEPEYSTER	\$8,111.83	\$5,219.84	\$1,403.00
EDWARDS	\$10,579.58	\$8,361.59	\$3,218.67
FINE	\$24,698.31	\$18,174.05	\$8,702.34
FOWLER	\$24,418.25	\$13,827.27	\$20,406.35
GOUVERNEUR	\$34,877.88	\$23,080.07	\$51,488.53
HAMMOND	\$30,783.61	\$10,361.76	\$29,981.01
HERMON	\$15,643.82	\$8,452.54	\$8,981.34
HOPKINTON	\$17,214.93	\$9,012.43	\$11,853.00
LAWRENCE	\$11,890.79	\$7,085.97	\$17,266.67
LISBON	\$35,963.85	\$14,493.74	\$14,860.84
LOUISVILLE	\$31,646.26	\$12,125.67	\$72,326.49
MACOMB	\$16,517.72	\$7,326.94	\$14,326.17
MADRID	\$13,802.78	\$7,566.62	\$7,110.67
MASSENA	\$87,203.74	\$21,338.83	\$115,982.92
MORRISTOWN	\$29,260.05	\$15,970.53	\$17,199.22
NORFOLK	\$28,866.22	\$14,409.34	\$27,072.16
OSWEGATCHIE	\$40,076.55	\$19,040.21	\$24,378.30
PARISHVILLE	\$28,412.92	\$10,715.61	\$14,829.10
PIERCEFIELD	\$18,951.57	\$7,989.03	\$1,873.67
PIERREPONT	\$27,432.85	\$14,788.08	\$17,947.66
PITCAIRN	\$10,777.06	\$6,722.70	\$18,851.67
POTSDAM	\$100,851.13	\$9,218.08	\$66,829.93
ROSSIE	\$9,207.37	\$6,125.13	\$8,290.37
RUSSELL	\$13,980.88	\$12,756.49	\$7,612.99
STOCKHOLM	\$26,811.61	\$20,653.48	\$26,746.66

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WADDINGTON	\$24,565.11	\$11,421.21	\$15,734.32
OGDENSBURG	\$54,933.66	\$11,652.60	\$64,526.19
TOTALS	\$974,520.78	\$391,668.84	\$769,213.60

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO CONVEY THE CARR SITE LOCATED  
AT 97 MAIN STREET, HERMON TO THE TOWN OF HERMON**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the County of St. Lawrence ("County") has developed a strategic plan to target potentially environmentally contaminated properties throughout the County to assist in making these once economically productive properties beneficial to their communities again, and

**WHEREAS**, the County, with the assistance of Gary S. Bowitch, Esq., identified properties in need of remediation, and

**WHEREAS**, the site was identified as requiring environmental remediation before it could be conveyed, and

**WHEREAS**, the County commenced an action against the property located in the Town of Hermon due to tax delinquency by a tax foreclosure proceeding on November 1, 2019, for unpaid ad valorem real property taxes with respect to the following properties located in St. Lawrence County:

"Carr Site"

- Owner: Michael Carr
- Address: 97 Main Street, Hermon, NY
- Tax ID# 132.029-1-8
- Delinquent Taxes Owed (less interest, penalties and fees) - \$9,710.88

**WHEREAS**, the County obtained a judgment of foreclosure on the Site on October 9, 2020, for delinquent taxes, penalties, interest, and fees totaling \$17,539.57, and

**WHEREAS**, the County previously secured an agreement with the New York Environmental Protection and Spill Compensation Fund (the "Fund") to perform a cleanup of petroleum contaminants at the Site, following which the spill number associated with the site would be closed, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Hermon has approached the County with an interest in obtaining the remediated Site due to its proximity to one of the oldest stone arch bridges in New York State and due to the need for a safe approach to the bridge for the value of the base taxes, less any interest, penalties, and fees assessed, and

**WHEREAS**, the agreement between the Fund and the County required the State of New York to perform all necessary environmental remediation at the Site after the County acquired title to the Site through tax foreclosure at a cost to be solely borne by the State of New York but

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any recovery made from the sale of the property is to be split with half presented to the State of New York, and

**WHEREAS**, the release provided by the Fund to the County shall extend to the successors or assigns of the County with respect to the Site, which would include the Town of Hermon,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to convey the Carr Site located at 97 Main Street, Hermon to the Town of Hermon, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** the amount of the base level of taxes due and owing is \$9,710.88, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chair is authorized to execute all agreements necessary to effectuate the terms of the agreement, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**CHARGING TAX ITEMS**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, due to tax refunds, cancellations of taxes, and other assessment errors, there are various tax items that cannot be collected,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to charge these various items to the towns as presented to the Board of Legislators:

2020 Correction of Errors  
Charges to Towns & Districts

CANTON FIRE FD004	\$13.21	
CANTON TOWN	\$1,398.53	
		<b>\$1,411.74</b>
EDWARDS TOWN	\$540.96	
		<b>\$540.96</b>
GOUVERNEUR FIRE - FH001	\$5.41	
GOUVERNEUR TOWN	\$714.55	
		<b>\$719.96</b>
LISBON TOWN	\$564.72	
		<b>\$564.72</b>
MASSENA TOWN	\$2,321.35	
		<b>\$2,321.35</b>
MORRISTOWN FIRE-BRIER HILL	\$17.04	
MORRISTOWN TOWN	\$54.24	
		<b>\$71.28</b>
NORFOLK FIRE FD028	\$303.95	
NORFOLK LIGHT LT036	\$70.10	
NORFOLK PUBLIC LIBRARY	\$160.87	
NORFOLK TOWN	\$1,849.81	
		<b>\$2,384.73</b>
OSWEGATCHIE TOWN	\$326.70	
		<b>\$326.70</b>

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PIERCEFIELD FIRE - FD031	\$480.77	
		<b>\$480.77</b>
PIERREPONT HIGHWAY	\$302.77	
PIERREPONT TOWN	\$194.96	
		<b>\$497.73</b>
PITCAIRN FIRE FD033	\$34.18	
PITCAIRN HIGHWAY	\$218.79	
PITCAIRN TOWN	\$53.39	
		<b>\$306.36</b>
POTSDAM TOWN	\$2,183.77	
		<b>\$2,183.77</b>
STOCKHOLM TOWN	\$51.64	
		<b>\$51.64</b>
WADDINGTON TOWN	\$223.86	
		<b>\$223.86</b>
<b>Total Chargebacks</b>	<b>\$12,085.57</b>	<b>\$12,085.57</b>

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**ADOPTING MORTGAGE TAX REPORT**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

**NOW, THEREFORE, 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:

<u>Town/Village</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Brasher	\$9,439.40
Canton	
Village of Canton	9,392.46
Village of Rensselaer	411.67
Town of Canton	33,116.33
Clare	0
Clifton	10,230.75
Colton	13,533.85
Dekalb:	
Village of Richville	271.90
Town of Dekalb	7,164.54
DePeyster	981.39
Edwards	3,689.38
Fine	11,011.37
Fowler	16,140.38
Gouverneur:	
Village of Gouverneur	6,842.81
Town of Gouverneur	18,730.80
Hammond:	
Village of Hammond	312.10
Town of Hammond	14,078.41
Hermon	5,943.72
Hopkinton	4,856.08
Lawrence	2,684.33
Lisbon	21,069.54
Louisville:	
Village of West Massena	2,149.11
Town of Louisville	23,211.46
Macomb	7,543.36
Madrid	7,105.59



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Massena:	
Village of Massena	13,611.08
Town of Massena	30,458.39
Morristown:	
Village of Morristown	0
Town of Morristown	12,834.46
Norfolk:	
Village of Norwood	145.85
Village of Massena	2.69
Town of Norfolk	21,581.93
Ogdensburg	31,459.90
Oswegatchie:	
Village of Heuvelton	1,318.75
Town of Oswegatchie	23,920.44
Parishville	11,129.60
Piercefield	0
Pierrepoint	28,873.19
Pitcairn	3,905.33
Potsdam:	
Village of Potsdam	14,646.28
Village of Norwood	3,312.46
Town of Potsdam	59,292.56
Rossie	5,614.28
Russell	6,301.35
Stockholm	16,961.18
Waddington:	
Village of Waddington	2,672.48
Town of Waddington	<u>10,425.45</u>
Totals	\$528,378.38

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE COMPLIANCY GROUP, LLC FOR CONSULTATION SERVICES AND THE MAINTENANCE OF A REPOSITORY FOR HIPAA COMPLIANCE**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 60-2017 authorized the Chair to sign a contract with The Compliancy Group for the purpose of creating a repository for all HIPAA Information and Security requirements and maintaining this information, and

**WHEREAS**, Community Services and Public Health Department continue to maintain required compliance programs that include, but are not limited to, policies and procedures, training and education, communication lines, a system for routine identification of risk areas, and a system of responding to compliance issues, all of which are currently facilitated through The Guard software provided by the Compliancy Group, LLC, and

**WHEREAS**, previously, the cost for the service was completely funded through DSRIP through the North Country Initiative (NCI), and

**WHEREAS**, NCI no longer receives funding for this service, however half of the cost will continue to be covered by previously awarded DSRIP funds to the Community Services Department, and

**WHEREAS**, departments wish to continue services with the Compliancy Group, LLC for a term of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 at a yearly cost of \$2,700 (PA040104 43007, PE040594 43007, PP040104 43007, and A3143204 43007 DSRP), and

**WHEREAS**, the 2021 Budget includes funding for services to continue,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with The Compliancy Group, LLC for consultation services and the maintenance of a repository for HIPAA compliance, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A LEASE AGREEMENT FOR SPACE  
AT 21 HARROWGATE COMMONS, MASSENA, NEW YORK**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 228-2008 authorized a contract with Harrowgate Properties for the lease of the property that was built in Harrowgate Commons, Massena, New York, and

**WHEREAS**, the space is currently occupied by four (4) County departments: The Department of Motor Vehicles, Probation, Community Services, and Emergency Services, and

**WHEREAS**, the term of a new agreement will be five (5) years and run from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2026 for approximately 6,500 square feet of space and include five additional one (1) year lessee options, and

**WHEREAS**, the 2021 rental rate per square foot will be \$15.51, with an approximate annual increase of two (2%) percent (K1314104 40700, Q1M31404 40700, A1342504 40700, and XPT36404 40700),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a lease for space located at 21 Harrowgate Commons, Massena, New York, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** at an initial rental rate of \$15.51, for a term of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2026, and the annual increases in the lease agreement will be budgeted accordingly.

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**ESTABLISHING A DATE AND TIME FOR THE  
ORGANIZATIONAL BOARD MEETING**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Organizational Meeting of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators shall be held on Monday, January 4, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators' Chambers, Court House, Canton, New York for the purpose of electing a Chair of the Board of Legislators and transacting any other business that may come before the Board.

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**DECLARING OCTOBER 2021 AS THE FIRST  
ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY HISTORY MONTH**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the historical community of today is dynamic and diverse, and includes scholars, curators, preservationists, librarians, archivist, genealogists, re-enactors, local and/or community historians, and

**WHEREAS**, October was designated as New York State history month to celebrate the history of New York State and recognize the contributions of its many State and local historians, and

**WHEREAS**, founded in 1947, the St. Lawrence County Historical Association (SLCHA) is an organization and museum which serves as an educational resource for the use and benefit of the citizens of St. Lawrence County and others interested in the history and traditions of our County, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County recognizes history as vitally important in our lives, and encourages all citizens to work to preserve it,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators declares October 2021 as the first St. Lawrence County History Month.

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**MODIFYING THE 2020 BUDGET FOR THE HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION FOR  
WEB DEVELOPMENT TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO ARCHIVES FOR THE PUBLIC**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, the St. Lawrence County Historical Association is embarking on a web redevelopment to update and modernize access website, showcase its collections and digitized archival materials, and build interactive historical and educational content, and

**WHEREAS**, outreach to a broader, world-wide online audience is crucial to the success and long-term viability of the historical association of the largest county in New York, and

**WHEREAS**, increasing membership base and inviting opportunities for program participation not only compliments historical preservation, but also could attract tourism in the region, and

**WHEREAS**, to facilitate that outreach, it is essential that an investment is made in upgraded networking architecture, better access to internet, website development, computers, and high-quality digital cameras and software,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2020 Budget for the Historical Association for web development to provide access to archives for the public, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$12,500
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1M75104 46000	B Partner Agency CHS	\$12,500
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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CREATION OF A RESERVE FOR 2020 APPROPRIATIONS  
FOR THE BASSMASTER TOURNAMENT**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 207-2020 modified the 2020 Budget to authorize \$30,000 in appropriations in support of the BassMasters Elite Series in Waddington, New York for 2020 (B1019874 43007), and

**WHEREAS**, due to the COVID-19 Response in place during the Summer of 2020, the Tournament was canceled, it is possible that these appropriations could be made available for next year if a tournament can be successfully held, and

**WHEREAS**, the BassMasters Elite Series Tournaments began in 2013 in Waddington, New York and St. Lawrence County has provided financial support through Resolutions Nos. 164-2018 and 144-2019 for previous events, and

**WHEREAS**, the success of the events provided for a contract between BassMasters Elite Series to be held in Waddington from 2018 – 2021 and an additional B.A.S.S. National Regional Tournament in 2022, which could increase the destination exposure and leveraging economic development opportunities in St. Lawrence County,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to create a reserve (01TG0899 50300 BMST) for appropriations in 2020 for a future BassMasters Tournament.

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING FILLING OF VACANCIES**

By Mr. Perkins, District 7 and Mr. Acres, District 8

**WHEREAS**, Resolution Nos. 281-2008 and 198-2011 implemented a non-essential hiring freeze and created a thirty day delay of filling positions and implemented emergency measures that provided an exception for positions completely funded by an outside source to be filled, respectively in response to the fiscal challenges faced by the County, and

**WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 222-2015 that affirmed the 2008 hiring freeze and extended the standard delay for filling vacancies to 60 days, and Resolution No. 226-2015 reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee to be inclusive of Legislators and staff to return recommendations for filling vacancies going forward, and

**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,

**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:

<u>Department/Unit:</u>	<u>Title:</u>	<u>Position No.:</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Duration</u>	<u>Timeline</u>
Sheriff / Corrections	Correction Officer	603000041	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Sheriff / Civil	Deputy Sheriff (new)	601000001	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Emergency Services	Supervisor of Dispatcher Operations	612300001	FT	Provisional	Immediate
Social Services / TA/SNAP	Senior Social Welfare Examiner	814000032	FT	Contingent	Immediate
Social Services /Accounting	Account Clerk (new)	100100043	FT	Permanent	Immediate
Social Services /Accounting	Senior Account Clerk	100200033	FT	Permanent	90 days
Social Services / Legal	Paralegal (new)	022000002	FT	Provisional	Immediate

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the following positions be abolished: Position No. 601000001, Civil Enforcement Officer, in the Sheriff's Office and Position No. 002300024, Clerk, in Social Services, 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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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH  
CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION LOCAL 1000, UNIT 8427**

By Mr. Perkins, District 7; Mr. Lightfoot, District 3; and Mr. Acres, District 8

**WHEREAS**, the current contract between St. Lawrence County and CSEA Local 1000 Unit 8427 (Solid Waste Unit) expired on December 31, 2019, and

**WHEREAS**, the Negotiating Teams for the County and CSEA Local 100, Unit 8427 have reached a tentative agreement for a new five (5) year contract, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence County believes that it is in the best interest of both parties to successfully conclude negotiations with a five (5) year contract (2020-2024),

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators hereby authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Civil Service Employees Association Local 1000, Unit 8427 for 2020 through December 31, 2024.

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ATTORNEY TO SUPPORT THE TOWN OF CLARE IN THE LEGAL DEFENSE OF PENDING LEGAL ACTION KNOWN AS ADIRONDACK COUNCIL V. TOWN OF CLARE**

By Mr. Sheridan, District 4 and Mr. Arquiatt, District 13

**WHEREAS**, the development of a multi-use trail that seeks to increase tourism and traffic for businesses in the County is a primary economic development project for St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Legislators supports the multi-use trail, and has worked collaboratively toward the timely completion of the Project, and

**WHEREAS**, the development of a County-wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System would capitalize on the open space and forestry assets of the region providing quality outdoor recreational activities for visitors and residents, stimulating and supporting local businesses 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 Multi-Use Recreational Trail System, and

**WHEREAS**, July 26, 2010, the County initiated the environmental review of the proposed development of a County-wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System by Resolution No. 262-2010, 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”), 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”), and

**WHEREAS**, to address all the potential environmental impacts associated with those aspects of the proposed County-wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System that could be identified, as well as to provide a framework for assessing such impacts for potential future

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additions to the Trail System, the County prepared a Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (“DGEIS”) pursuant to SEQRA, and

**WHEREAS**, On May 2, 2011, Resolution No. 149-2011 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 requirement, 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**, Resolution No. 271-2012, accepted the FGEIS for the County-wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System, and included in the FGEIS was a review of a portion of the proposed Trail Corridor through the Town of Clare on and around a roadway known as the ‘Tooley Pond Road’, and

**WHEREAS**, in 2020, following the completion of their own study, the Town of Clare passed a local law opening the segment of the Tooley Pond Road that was a part of the anticipated County-wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System, and

**WHEREAS**, following the enactment of the Town Local Law, the Adirondack Council initiated legal proceedings in the St. Lawrence County Supreme Court to invalidate the Local Law, and

**WHEREAS**, the County has a vested interest in supporting the efforts of the Town of Clare in their defense of this legal action as the State of New York has informed that County that it is impossible for the trail to be re-routed to any other location than its current location, and

**WHEREAS**, the County has been advised the legal expenses for the defense of the action are likely to cost approximately \$15,000, and the County has received a request from the Town of Clare to assist with any legal costs above \$7,500, and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to the request for financial assistance, in order to increase the likelihood of success and given the historical knowledge of the background of this project and the legal issues involved, the Town of Clare has requested the legal assistance of the Office of the County Attorney and staff, and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Clare has also requested the assistance of the Senior Engineer of the St. Lawrence County Highway Department due to historical knowledge of the development of the County-wide Multi-Use Recreational Trail System, and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the County Attorney to support the Town of Clare in the Legal Defense of pending legal action known as Adirondack Council v. Town of Clare, and

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**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that an amount of up to \$7,500 is authorized for the Town of Clare to assist in the legal defense of Adirondack Council v. Town of Clare, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that in addition to providing financial support, the Board of Legislators authorizes the County Attorney and the Senior Engineer of the Highway Department to render aid in the defense of the Town of Clare pertaining to the legal action pending and known as the Adirondack Council vs. Town of Clare.

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN LEASE AGREEMENTS WITH  
ST. LAWRENCE HEALTH SYSTEMS AND CLAXTON-HEPBURN MEDICAL  
CENTER FOR RHEONIX RAPID, FULLY AUTOMATED  
COVID-19 TESTING WORKSTATIONS**

By Ms. Haggard, District 10

**WHEREAS**, the number of positive COVID-19 cases in St. Lawrence County are increasing at an alarming rate, and there is an urgent need for local hospital laboratories to have the capability of rapid testing with same-day results allowing for earlier decisions regarding patient care, and

**WHEREAS**, the Finance Committee has authorized the purchase of two Rheonix machines, and

**WHEREAS**, St. Lawrence Health System desires to lease one (1) Rheonix Encompass MDx Workstation from St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center desires to lease one (1) Rheonix Encompass MDx Workstation from St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, the term of the lease will commence upon delivery of the equipment and continue for a term of five (5) years,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign lease agreements with St. Lawrence Health System and Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center for Rheonix Rapid, Fully Automated COVID-19 Testing Workstations, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO A SIGN LEASE AGREEMENT  
WITH HEALTH RESEARCH, INC. (HRI) FOR LABORATORY EQUIPMENT TO BE  
USED TO PROVIDE COVID-19 TESTING AND SUBSEQUENTLY LEASE  
AGREEMENTS WITH ST. LAWRENCE HEALTH SYSTEM AND CLAXTON-  
HEPBURN MEDICAL CENTER FOR THE USE OF THE  
LABORATORY EQUIPMENT**

By Ms. Haggard, District 10

**WHEREAS**, the number of positive COVID-19 cases in St. Lawrence County are increasing at an alarming rate, and there is an urgent need for local hospital laboratories to have the capability of rapid testing with same-day results allowing for earlier decisions regarding isolation and treatment of infected patients, and

**WHEREAS**, in response to the increase of patients requiring diagnostic testing in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and to assist in increasing its ability to provide COVID-19 testing, St. Lawrence County would like to lease three (3) Abbott ID Now EUA approved test kits from Health Research, Inc. (HRI) and

**WHEREAS**, subsequently St. Lawrence Health Systems and Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center would like to lease the Abbott ID Now laboratory equipment from St. Lawrence County for rapid testing, and

**WHEREAS**, the terms of the leases will be for one (1) year, with an option to renew for an additional two (2) years, at no cost to the County or the hospital systems,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of legislators authorizing the Chair to a sign lease agreement with Health Research, Inc. (HRI) for laboratory equipment to be used to provide COVID-19 testing and subsequently lease agreements with St. Lawrence Health System and Claxton-Hepburn Medical Center for the use of the laboratory equipment, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXTEND FLEXIBILITY TO ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY EMPLOYEES FOR THE OPTION TO ACCESS VACATION BUYBACK ACCRUALS AND EXTEND PERSONAL TIME ACCRUALS DURING THE COVID-19 RESPONSE**

By Mr. Lightfoot, District 3

**WHEREAS**, on March 7, 2020 Governor Cuomo declared a State Disaster Emergency for New York State in response to the rapid spreading of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), and

**WHEREAS**, in response to the Coronavirus, Governor Cuomo issued Executive Orders, including Executive Order 202.4 which required local governments to achieve an office density reduction of no less than fifty percent (50%), and

**WHEREAS**, during this time many employees working in departments with critical functions may not have been able to utilize benefit time; therefore, Resolution No. 152-2020 provided County employees with flexibility for vacation buyback and personal time accruals, and

**WHEREAS**, effective November 12, 2020, the County workforce has once again been reduced to fifty percent (50%) staffing level, but with one-hundred percent (100%) of duties being performed and all County services continuing, due to the dramatic increase in the number of COVID-19 cases in St. Lawrence County, and

**WHEREAS**, the County would like to extend options for those employees through increased flexibility in the criteria required to access the buyback associated with vacation accruals as well as providing employees who may lose personal time due to their work anniversary during the COVID-19 response with the flexibility to access that time through the COVID-19 Response State of Emergency,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes County employees with flexibility for the option to access vacation buyback accruals and extend personal time accruals during the COVID-19 response, upon approval of the County Administrator, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that County staff with a critical function to operate (including those required to provide onsite duties) at the maximum amount of their accruals will be permitted to submit a request to decrease their accruals by being paid for a week of vacation time (either 35 or 40 hours dependent on their work schedule) without meeting the criteria of having to take a week off using vacation time, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that employees who reach their anniversary date and have existing balances during the time associated with the COVID-19 Response State of Emergency will not lose remaining hours, if they are denied use of time that is requested.

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Operations Committee: 9-21-2020

RESOLUTION NO. 274-2020 – **TABLED**

**AUTHORIZING CHANGE TO RETIREE PHARMACY PRESCRIPTION  
CO-PAYS AND DIRECTS THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT TO  
ADJUST RETIREE PRESCRIPTION CO-PAYS TO KEEP PACE WITH CSEA UNION  
NEGOTIATED PRESCRIPTION CO-PAYS FOR ACTIVE EMPLOYEES**

By Mr. Denesha, Chair, Operations Committee  
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Forsythe, District 2; Mr. Lightfoot, District 3;  
Mr. Perkins, District 7 and Ms. Curran, District 15

**WHEREAS**, for several years St. Lawrence County utilized the Retiree Drug Subsidy (RDS) program offered by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) which reimbursed health plan sponsors (municipalities) for a portion of their eligible expenses for retiree prescription drug benefits, and

**WHEREAS**, RDS was one of several options available under CMS that enabled employers to assist their Medicare eligible retirees in obtaining more generous drug coverage while keeping co-pays at low levels, and

**WHEREAS**, on January 1, 2016, St. Lawrence County switched from RDS to the Employer Group Waiver Program (EGWP) which is an official Medicare Part D Program containing a wraparound provision that ensures retirees receive benefits at least equal to those of the plan that the employer currently offers and saves the County more money in prescription drug costs through federal subsidy dollars and high cost claimant catastrophic prescription (RX) protection, and

**WHEREAS**, the prescription (RX) co-pays for St. Lawrence County retirees started lagging the active employee population as early as 2010 for Deputy Supervisors and as early as 2013 for groups based on CSEA contract provisions, and

**WHEREAS**, the Healthcare Committee recommended increasing the retiree prescription (RX) co-pays to match the active employee population, effective January 1, 2021, as follows:

Retiree Prescription Change – Phase In						
		Current	Proposed Retiree Phase In			
		2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Retail (30 days)	Generic	\$7	\$10	\$15	\$15	\$15
	Preferred Brand	\$15	\$20	\$25	\$30	\$35
	Non-Preferred	\$30	\$35	\$40	\$45	\$50
Mail (90 days)	Generic	\$7	\$10	\$15	\$15	\$15
	Preferred Brand	\$30	\$35	\$40	\$45	\$50
	Non-Preferred	\$60	\$65	\$70	\$75	\$80



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**WHEREAS**, these changes would produce a savings of approximately \$101,206 over the period, and

**WHEREAS**, Pro-Act requires sixty (60) days to implement a change and the EGWP Program will only allow changes to retiree prescription (RX) co-pays on January first of each year,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorizes the change of retiree prescription co-pays and directs the Human Resources Department to adjust retiree RX co-pays to keep pace with CSEA union negotiated RX co-pays for active employees with Healthcare Committee approval and guidance in future years.

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RESOLUTION NO. 313-2020 – TABLED

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF THE NORTH COUNTRY (DANC) FOR A BROADBAND SURVEY ASSESSMENT AND MODIFYING THE 2020 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S OFFICE**

By Mr. Acres, District 8

**WHEREAS**, a proposal has been made by the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC) to obtain an inventory of broadband infrastructure in St. Lawrence County, and to develop a plan to assess existing infrastructure, the needs of the County, and to create a plan for the future, and

**WHEREAS**, the data collected can be used to support grant applications available to the County, and

**WHEREAS**, the broadband inventory will provide documentation and GIS mapping of broadband facilities in St. Lawrence County, and will include existing fiber optic and coaxial cabling, central office and remote terminal locations, wire line boundaries, and wireless and water tower sites, and

**WHEREAS**, the data will identify owners of existing fiber networks, map the collected data into GIS layers, and identify portions of the County that are unserved and underserved, and

**WHEREAS**, there is a need for the availability of broadband internet access to all areas of the County, including rural areas, to provide direct access to education, connect the public to healthcare, bring local businesses to global markets, and to increase job growth and economic development, and

**WHEREAS**, the COVID-19 pandemic has heightened the importance of high-speed internet connections at homes and may hinder the ability of people with slow access or no access to complete remote work and education,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Legislators authorize the Chair to sign a contract with the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC) for a broadband survey assessment, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2020 Budget for the County Administrator’s Office, as follows:

**DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$38,250
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

BL010104 43007	B Other Fees and Services	\$38,250
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