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FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA
MR. JOHN GENNETT, CHAIR
MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2023
*****BOARD ROOM AND LIVE VIA YOUTUBE *****
*****5:30 P.M. *****

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 27**
- 3. HIGHWAY – DON CHAMBERS**
 - A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Inter-Municipal Agreement with the Jefferson-Lewis-Hamilton-Herkimer-Oneida Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) for Drug and Alcohol Testing Services (Res)
 - B. Modifying the 2023 Budget for the Department of Highways for Replacement of the Lcomb Road Bridge in the Town of Norfolk, BIN 3341420 (Res)
 - C. Modifying the 2023 Budget for the County Administrator's Office for the Purchase of a Dump Trailer from Multi-Use Trail Funds (Res)
 - D. Highway Capital Project Financial Summary (Info)
- 4. WORKFORCE INNOVATIVE OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) – Pam Lewis**
 - A. Modifying the PY22 WIOA Budget to Transfer Formula Funds from Administration Accounts to Adult Accounts (Res)
- 5. VACANCY REVIEW COMMITTEE – RUTH DOYLE**
 - A. Highway
 1. Fill a Heavy Equipment Operator, Position No. 310100005
 2. Fill a Heavy Equipment Operator, Position No. 310100017
- 6. AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) UPDATE – RUTH DOYLE**
 - A. Information and Update (Discussion)
 - B. Authorizing the Chair to Appropriate Remaining American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for Ballistic Vests for Probation Officers in St. Lawrence County and Modifying the 2023 Budget for the Probation Department (Res)
- 7. BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE – LARRY DENESHA**
 - A. Public Safety Complex Renovation Plans – Beardsley Design Associates (Info)

8. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – RUTH DOYLE

- A. 2023 First Quarter Financial Update (Info)
- B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign Maintenance and Software Agreements with Pitney Bowes for a Mailing Machine and System in Central Printing and Mail and Modifying the 2023 Budget for the County Administrator's Office (Res)
- C. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with the St. Lawrence County Bar Association for Assigned Counsel Representation for 2023-2025 (Res)

9. OLD AND NEW BUSINESS

- A. Authorizing the County to Receive Additional Administrative Funding for the Septic System Replacement Program and Modifying the 2023 Budget for the Planning Office (Res)
- B. Setting a Date for a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law A (No. __) for the Year 2023, "Exemptions for Certain Members of Volunteer Fire Companies and Ambulance Services in St. Lawrence County Pursuant to Section 466-A of the Real Property Tax Law" and Repealing Local Law No. 2 for the Year 2005 in St. Lawrence County (Res) *(Note: This resolution was tabled and will need a motion to remove it from the Table for discussion, and also a motion is needed to change the date of the Public Hearing to June 5, 2023 in the Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved.)*
- C. Approval of Payment in Lieu of Taxes Agreement in Relation to Solar Project on Parcel 40.004-2-20.22/1 Located at 50 Cogswell Corners Road in the Town of Madrid (Res) *(Note: This resolution was tabled and will need a motion to remove it from the Table for discussion)*

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Cornell Cooperative Extension Board (Denesha)
- B. Fish and Wildlife Management Board, Region 6 (Sheridan)
- C. Fisheries Advisory Board (Terminelli)
- D. Gouverneur Fair Board (Smithers)
- E. Highway/Solid Waste Committee (Smithers)
- F. Industrial Development Agency (Reagen)
- G. Recreational and Trails Advisory Board (Perkins/Webster)
- H. St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency (RVRDA) (Forsythe)
- I. St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce (Webster)
- J. Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors (Burke/Haggard)

*****Note:** *Please allow a few minutes for the electronic transition to executive session****

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Negotiations
- B. Litigation
- C. Personnel
- D. Appointments

*****Note:** *Please allow a few minutes for the electronic transition to open session****

12. ADJOURNMENT – If there is no further business.

May 1, 2023

Finance Committee: 4-24-2023

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN INTER-MUNICIPAL
AGREEMENT WITH THE JEFFERSON-LEWIS-HAMILTON-HERKIMER-ONEIDA
BOARD OF COOPERATIVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES (BOCES)
FOR DRUG AND ALCOHOL TESTING SERVICES**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the Highway and Solid Waste Departments employ staff who are required to maintain a Commercial Driver's License (CDL), and

WHEREAS, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Act (FMCSA) requires all CDL drivers comply with random drug and alcohol testing, and

WHEREAS, as part of its administrative support services, BOCES offers facilitation of Drug and Alcohol Testing of drivers holding a CDL pursuant to the FMCSA and assists with maintaining compliance with the Federal Motor Carrier Clearinghouse mandate, and

WHEREAS, the cost of the program for 2022 for the Department of Highways was \$4,454 (HM351104 430DT) and the Solid Waste Department was \$601 (WO081604 43004), and both Departments would like to continue participating in the BOCES Drug and Alcohol Testing Program,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an inter-municipal agreement with the Jefferson-Lewis-Hamilton-Herkimer-Oneida Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) for the Drug and Alcohol Testing services, upon approval of the County Attorney.

May 1, 2023

Finance Committee: 4-24-2023

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS
FOR REPLACEMENT OF THE LACOMB ROAD BRIDGE IN
THE TOWN OF NORFOLK, BIN 3341420**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the Department of Highways would like to replace the Lacombe Road Bridge, BIN 3341420, in the Town of Norfolk, and

WHEREAS, NYS regulations limit project funding to \$350,000 when using State funds and utilizing in-house labor, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Highways plans to construct the Project with County forces, and

WHEREAS, the project costs will exceed the \$350,000 threshold,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer modify the 2023 Budget for the Department of Highways for replacement of the Lacombe Road Bridge in the Town of Norfolk, BIN 3341420, as follows:

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

HM551104 454BS B10	H B10 Miscellaneous Bridge Supplies	\$475,000
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DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

HM551124 454BS B1	H B1 Miscellaneous Bridge Supplies	\$475,000
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May 1, 2023

Finance Committee: 4-24-2023

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE
FOR THE PURCHASE OF A DUMP TRAILER FROM MULTI-USE TRAIL FUNDS**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, Local Law 1 for the Year 2021 was adopted re-establishing the St. Lawrence County Multi-Use Recreational Trail System and establishing a trail permitting process, and

WHEREAS, when the Multi-Use Trail Fund was created, it was agreed that all funds shall be dedicated exclusively to the establishment, maintenance, and operation of the St. Lawrence County Trail System, and

WHEREAS, the 2023 Budget includes appropriations for the Trail Fund in the County Administrator's Office to support the St. Lawrence County Multi-Use Trail, and

WHEREAS, at the request of the St. Lawrence County Trails Advisory Board, a dump trailer is needed to maintain the Multi-Use Trail, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators approved Resolution No. 135-2022 authorizing the Treasurer to modify the 2022 Budget for the purchase of a dump trailer, but the trailer was not purchased in 2022 due to limited funds,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify to the 2023 Budget for the County Administrator's Office for the purchase of a dump trailer for the Multi-Use Trail, as follows:

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

BF079892 24000 TRAIL	B Trail Highway & Street Equip	\$6,700
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DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

BF079894 49700 TRAIL	B Trail Contingency Account	\$3,700
BF079894 42200 TRAIL	B Trail I/D Equip Rep and Maintenance	<u>3,000</u>
		\$6,700

**ST LAW CO DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS
OUTPOST PROJECTS
AS OF 4/19/2023**

	BONDS	STATE GRANT	HIGHWAY FUND BALANCE	GENERAL FUND BALANCE	TOTAL FUNDING	ACTUAL & ENCUMB TO DATE	CONTRACT & CHANGE ORDER BALS	OTHER MISC. EXPENSES (Site work, etc)	TOTAL PROJECTED COST	PROJECTED OVER/(UNDER) BUDGET
LISBON OUTPOST:										
EQUIPMENT STORAGE	(1,031,356)		(42,500)	(750,000)	(1,823,856)	1,983,178		2,000	1,985,178	161,322
SALT STORAGE	(960,855)		(42,500)	(750,000)	(1,753,355)	1,594,597		2,000	1,596,597	(156,759)
TOTAL LISBON	(1,992,211)		(85,000)	(1,500,000)	(3,577,211)	3,577,775		4,000	3,581,775	4,564
RUSSELL OUTPOST:										
EQUIPMENT STORAGE	(193,714)		(42,500)	(1,500,000)	(1,736,214)	1,861,607			1,861,607	125,394
SALT STORAGE	(715,658)	(400,000)	(42,500)		(1,158,158)	1,002,848			1,002,848	(155,310)
TOTAL RUSSELL	(909,372)	(400,000)	(85,000)	(1,500,000)	(2,894,372)	2,864,455			2,864,455	(29,917)
POTSDAM OUTPOST:										
EQUIPMENT STORAGE			(1,765,500)		(1,765,500)	1,782,903	88,296	30,000	1,901,199	135,699
SALT STORAGE			(1,765,500)		(1,765,500)	1,362,793	88,296	30,000	1,481,089	(284,411)
TOTAL POTSDAM			(3,531,000)		(3,531,000)	3,145,696	176,592	60,000	3,382,288	(148,712)
BOND COSTS	(98,417)				(98,417)	98,417			98,417	0
GRAND TOTAL	(3,000,000)	(400,000)	(3,701,000)	(3,000,000)	(10,101,000)	9,686,343	176,592	64,000	9,926,935	(174,065)

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Finance Committee: 4-24-2023

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**MODIFYING THE PY22 WIOA BUDGET TO TRANSFER FORMULA FUNDS
FROM ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNTS TO ADULT ACCOUNTS**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the Notice of Authorization PY22-3 was issued with the remaining allocation of funding for Program Year 2022 WIOA Title IB Adult and Dislocated Worker programs, and

WHEREAS, ten percent (10%) of each of the three WIOA Programs (Adult, Youth and Dislocated) is designated as Administration, and

WHEREAS, WIOA Technical Advisory #17-6 states that Local Workforce Development Boards (LWDB) may transfer up to one-hundred percent (100%) of Administration back to the originating program funds in all three programs but cannot exceed the original ten percent (10%) designated as Administration, and

WHEREAS, a transfer of funds would provide more flexibility and ensure that WIOA is able to provide services to as many eligible participants as possible, and

WHEREAS, the LWDB authorized Resolution Number 23-C08-06 authorizing the transfer of funds from the Administration to Adult,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the PY22 WIOA Budget to transfer formula funds from Administration Accounts to Adult Accounts, as follows:

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

UA262924 461TU	Adult Training Tuition Fees	\$25,000
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DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

UG262901 12000	ADM Supervisory/Administrative	\$2,270
UG262901 14000	ADM Clerical	10,464
UG262904 41400	ADM Liability Insurance	389
UG262904 41901	ID Printing	203
UG262904 42600	ADM Books & Periodicals	78
UG262904 43005	ADM Ad Fees	544
UG262904 44300	ADM Mileage Reimbursement	155
UG262904 44500	ADM Other Travel Reimbursement	155
UG262904 49900	ADM Miscellaneous Expense	155
UG262908 81000	Retirement	1,521
UG262908 83000	Social Security	974

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UG262908 84000	Workers' Compensation	333
UG262908 84500	Group Life Insurance	27
UG262908 86000	Hospital & Medical Insurance	7,486
UG262908 86500	Dental Insurance	183
UG262908 89000	Vision Insurance	<u>63</u>
		\$25,000

INCREASE REVENUE:

UA247905 57000	U FA Adult Training	\$25,000
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DECREASE REVENUE:

UG247905 57000	Administrative Pool Revenue	\$25,000
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any remaining funds will be rolled over to future budgets until fully expended.

St. Lawrence County Vacancy Authorization Form

Highway



Type: Fill Heavy Equipment Operator

Subunit (If Applicable): _____ Date Submitted: 3/27/2023

Reason Vacated: Termination Position Number: 310100005

Date Vacated: 4/6/2023 Position # Abolished: _____

Position Will Be: Fulltime Last Fill Date: 02/17/2015

Jurisdictional Class: Non-Competitive Appointee Will Be: Permanent

Hrs Per Week: 40 Shift Length: 8 FTE: 1.00

Budget

Salary of Person Leaving: \$57,988 Fill Request Timeline: Immediately

Benefits: Yes (51.44%) \$29,829 Revenue Generating: No 0 %

Base Salary: \$47,856 Reimbursed by Local, State or Federal Funds: No 0 %

Base Hourly: \$23.01

Grade: 23

Net County Cost: \$87,816

*Net County Cost is calculated from salary of person leaving, if available

Detailed Justification

What is the impact on your department if this position is not filled? Please provide, in detail, the need to fill the position. Please include the service provided, if it is mandated, number of people (clients) affected, and what you will do if the position is not filled.

This position is responsible for the operation of specialized heavy equipment used in snow and ice control, highway repair, construction and maintenance projects. Failure to fill this position will seriously impede the Department's ability to maintain safe and passable roads.

Department Head: *Donald R. Chesler*

Approved?

Yes No

County Administrator:

Resolution #:

St. Lawrence County Vacancy Authorization Form

Highway



Type: Fill

Heavy Equipment Operator

Subunit (If Applicable):

Date Submitted: 3/27/2023

Reason Vacated: Termination

Position Number: 310100017

Date Vacated: 3/25/2023

Position # Abolished:

Position Will Be: Fulltime

Last Fill Date: 12/31/2016

Jurisdictional Class: Non-Competitive

Appointee Will Be: Permanent

Hrs Per Week: 40

Shift Length: 8 FTE: 1.00

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Department Head:

Donald R. Chenoweth

Approved?

Yes No

County Administrator:

Resolution #:

May 1, 2023

Finance Committee: 4-24-2023

RESOLUTION NO. _____

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO APPROPRIATE REMAINING AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) FUNDS FOR BALLISTIC VESTS FOR PROBATION OFFICERS IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY AND MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2022, Resolution No. 181-2022 adopted the recommendations made by the ARPA Committee regarding the uses of the \$20.9M in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds provided to St. Lawrence County, and

WHEREAS, recognizing the importance of improving public safety measures that are significant to the employees of St. Lawrence County, funds were appropriated to provide ballistic vests for Probation Officers in the amount of \$13,000, and

WHEREAS, of the funds appropriated, \$13,000 has been allocated to provide ballistic vests for improving the safety of Probation Officers in St. Lawrence County, and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2022, Resolution No. 393-2022 authorized the Chair to sign a contract for Ballistic Vests for Probation Officers in St. Lawrence County in the amount of \$10,000 from ARPA Funding,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract appropriating American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds for ballistic vests for Probation Officers in St. Lawrence County, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2023 Budget for the Probation Department, as follows:

INCREASE REVENUE:

Q1940895 57000 ARP6 Q APR 6.1 Probation Vests \$3,000

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

Q1931404 45300 ARP6 Q APR 6.1 Probation Vests \$3,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any funds not spent in 2023 be rolled over through 2024 and be fully expended by 2026, in accordance with the U.S. Treasury Final Rule.

2023 St. Lawrence County Quarterly Budget Report

	Adopted County Cost	First Quarter Performance	2023 Difference From Adopted	Percent Used of Adopted Budget
1. General Fund	51,905,859	(34,606,390)	86,512,249	-67%
Board Of Elections	394,933	(890,113)	1,285,046	-225%
Community Services	1,024,867	68,704	956,163	7%
Conflict Defender	604,459	176,266	428,193	29%
County Administrator	11,266,412	486,303	10,780,109	4%
County Attorney	189,919	51,677	138,242	27%
County Clerk	(1,933,928)	(132,790)	(1,801,137)	7%
District Attorney	2,025,189	463,190	1,561,999	23%
Emergency Services	1,855,483	537,592	1,317,890	29%
Human Resources	664,774	131,968	532,806	20%
Indigent Defense	1,228,785	236,853	991,932	19%
Information Technology	1,236,001	485,096	750,905	39%
Office For The Aging	1,363,293	647,898	715,396	48%
Planning	533,963	20,989	512,974	4%
Probation	2,785,950	620,277	2,165,673	22%
Public Defender	1,045,038	319,308	725,730	31%
Public Health	4,157,809	1,259,165	2,898,643	30%
Real Property	528,728	(130,631)	659,359	-25%
Sheriff	12,842,817	2,931,031	9,911,786	23%
Social Services	37,446,552	7,115,333	30,331,219	19%
Treasurer	(27,752,766)	(49,101,744)	21,348,978	177%
Veterans Services	133,522	35,200	98,322	26%
Weights & Measures	89,471	12,604	76,866	14%
Youth Bureau	174,587	49,433	125,154	28%

2023 St. Lawrence County Quarterly Budget Report

	Adopted County Cost	First Quarter Performance	2020 Difference from Adopted	Percent Used of Adopted Budget
1. General Fund	51,905,859	(34,606,390)	(86,512,249)	-67%
Revenue	(181,919,083)	(92,499,118)	89,419,964	51%
Appropriations	233,824,942	57,892,729	(175,932,213)	25%
3. County Road (Highway)	0	(9,948,989)	(9,948,989)	
Revenue	(24,142,775)	(14,157,520)	9,985,256	59%
Appropriations	24,142,775	4,208,531	(19,934,245)	17%
4. Road Machinery (Highway)	0	(128,955)	(128,955)	
Revenue	(4,573,767)	(1,289,314)	3,284,453	28%
Appropriations	4,573,767	1,160,359	(3,413,408)	25%
5. Solid Waste	291,250	(39,554)	(330,804)	-14%
Revenue	(5,213,581)	(1,019,901)	4,193,680	20%
Appropriations	5,504,831	980,347	(4,524,484)	18%
6. Capital Fund	2,173,754	319,591	(1,854,163)	15%
Revenue	(130,000)	(4,407)	125,593	3%
Appropriations	2,303,754	323,998	(1,979,756)	14%
7. Self Insurance (County Attorney)	0	(2,558,940)	(2,558,940)	
Revenue	(3,494,176)	(3,272,293)	221,883	94%
Appropriations	3,494,176	713,352	(2,780,824)	20%
8. Liability/Casualty (County Attorney)	106,625	(283,215)	(389,840)	-266%
Revenue	(394,065)	(388,005)	6,060	98%
Appropriations	500,690	104,790	(395,900)	21%

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Funds Combined Summary

Category	Adopted County Cost	Modified Budget	First Quarter Performance	Percent of Modified Budget
Personnel (1)	49,377,460	50,080,916	10,197,430	20%
Equipment (2)	1,066,305	16,514,901	381,707	2%
Contractual (4)	135,634,853	149,434,440	27,869,854	19%
Revenue (5)	(206,528,365)	(286,023,385)	(99,417,067)	35%
Debt Principal Payments (6)	1,815,000	1,815,000	255,000	14%
Debt Interest Payments (7)	827,622	827,622	84,402	10%
Employee Benefits (8)	66,465,859	66,813,045	13,058,225	20%
Fund Transfers (9)	3,645,000	3,645,000	4,407	0%
Grand Total	52,303,734	3,107,539	(47,566,043)	-1531%

Departments by Fund

	Adopted County Cost	Modified Budget	First Quarter Performance	Percent of Modified Budget
1. General Fund	51,905,859	1,430,704	(34,606,390)	-2419%
Board Of Elections	394,933	394,933	(890,113)	-225%
Appropriations	1,496,072	1,659,231	205,526	12%
Personnel (1)	665,558	665,558	81,501	12%
Equipment (2)	0	115,483	0	0%
Contractual (4)	546,375	594,051	65,960	11%
Employee Benefits (8)	284,139	284,139	58,066	20%
Revenue	(1,101,139)	(1,264,298)	(1,095,639)	87%
Revenue (5)	(1,101,139)	(1,264,298)	(1,095,639)	87%
Community Services	1,024,867	1,024,867	68,704	7%
Appropriations	10,235,639	12,383,412	2,569,901	21%
Personnel (1)	2,979,421	3,104,479	574,633	19%
Equipment (2)	0	173,070	99,310	57%
Contractual (4)	5,802,063	7,580,294	1,620,921	21%
Employee Benefits (8)	1,454,155	1,525,569	275,037	18%
Revenue	(9,210,771)	(11,358,544)	(2,501,197)	22%
Revenue (5)	(9,210,771)	(11,358,544)	(2,501,197)	22%
Conflict Defender	604,459	604,459	176,266	29%
Appropriations	924,602	924,602	176,451	19%
Personnel (1)	577,558	577,558	113,839	20%
Equipment (2)	10,000	10,000	0	0%
Contractual (4)	93,540	93,540	11,830	13%
Employee Benefits (8)	243,504	243,504	50,782	21%
Revenue	(320,143)	(320,143)	(185)	0%
Revenue (5)	(320,143)	(320,143)	(185)	0%

2023 St. Lawrence County Quarterly Budget Report

	Adopted County Cost	Modified Budget	First Quarter Performance	Percent of Modified Budget
County Administrator	11,266,412	11,108,740	486,303	4%
Appropriations	13,820,424	17,660,894	1,692,215	10%
Personnel (1)	2,253,536	2,253,536	476,370	21%
Equipment (2)	0	48,141	48,141	100%
Contractual (4)	10,269,358	14,061,688	855,773	6%
Employee Benefits (8)	1,297,530	1,297,530	311,931	24%
Revenue	(2,554,012)	(6,552,155)	(1,205,912)	18%
Revenue (5)	(2,554,012)	(6,552,155)	(1,205,912)	18%
County Attorney	189,919	189,919	51,677	27%
Appropriations	189,919	189,919	51,677	27%
Personnel (1)	81,722	81,722	20,303	25%
Equipment (2)	0	0	0	
Contractual (4)	61,140	61,140	20,260	33%
Employee Benefits (8)	47,057	47,057	11,114	24%
Revenue	0	0	0	
Revenue (5)	0	0	0	
County Clerk	(1,933,928)	(1,920,632)	(132,790)	7%
Appropriations	2,976,891	2,990,187	604,149	20%
Personnel (1)	1,691,986	1,691,986	329,289	19%
Equipment (2)	0	13,296	8,053	61%
Contractual (4)	273,558	273,558	49,305	18%
Employee Benefits (8)	1,011,347	1,011,347	217,502	22%
Revenue	(4,910,818)	(4,910,818)	(736,939)	15%
Revenue (5)	(4,910,818)	(4,910,818)	(736,939)	15%
District Attorney	2,025,189	2,141,361	463,190	22%
Appropriations	2,224,622	2,366,225	480,344	20%
Personnel (1)	1,429,165	1,429,165	301,655	21%
Equipment (2)	0	0	0	
Contractual (4)	152,152	293,755	39,277	13%
Employee Benefits (8)	643,305	643,305	139,412	22%
Revenue	(199,433)	(224,864)	(17,154)	8%
Revenue (5)	(199,433)	(224,864)	(17,154)	8%

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	Adopted County Cost	Modified Budget	First Quarter Performance	Percent of Modified Budget
Emergency Services	1,855,483	1,863,665	537,592	29%
Appropriations	2,057,518	15,684,320	549,893	4%
Personnel (1)	1,169,031	1,169,031	251,005	21%
Equipment (2)	43,000	12,924,846	93,689	1%
Contractual (4)	210,652	955,607	59,291	6%
Employee Benefits (8)	634,835	634,835	145,908	23%
Revenue	(202,035)	(13,820,655)	(12,300)	0%
Revenue (5)	(202,035)	(13,820,655)	(12,300)	0%
Human Resources	664,774	664,774	131,968	20%
Appropriations	674,274	674,274	135,599	20%
Personnel (1)	381,675	381,675	75,938	20%
Equipment (2)	0	0	0	
Contractual (4)	96,290	96,290	15,958	17%
Employee Benefits (8)	196,309	196,309	43,703	22%
Revenue	(9,500)	(9,500)	(3,631)	38%
Revenue (5)	(9,500)	(9,500)	(3,631)	38%
Indigent Defense	1,228,785	1,228,785	236,853	19%
Appropriations	1,970,624	1,970,624	237,968	12%
Personnel (1)	113,216	113,216	24,766	22%
Contractual (4)	1,809,678	1,809,678	200,520	11%
Employee Benefits (8)	47,730	47,730	12,682	27%
Revenue	(741,839)	(741,839)	(1,115)	0%
Revenue (5)	(741,839)	(741,839)	(1,115)	0%
Information Technology	1,236,001	1,541,449	485,096	31%
Appropriations	1,581,051	1,886,500	483,792	26%
Personnel (1)	555,165	555,165	117,847	21%
Equipment (2)	134,100	134,100	27,853	21%
Contractual (4)	608,407	913,856	272,692	30%
Employee Benefits (8)	283,379	283,379	65,400	23%
Revenue	(345,050)	(345,050)	1,304	0%
Revenue (5)	(345,050)	(345,050)	1,304	0%
Office For The Aging	1,363,293	1,363,293	647,898	48%
Appropriations	3,275,048	3,275,048	692,511	21%
Personnel (1)	1,399,301	1,399,301	265,690	19%
Equipment (2)	0	0	0	
Contractual (4)	1,104,490	1,104,490	257,459	23%
Employee Benefits (8)	771,257	771,257	169,362	22%
Revenue	(1,911,755)	(1,911,755)	(44,614)	2%
Revenue (5)	(1,911,755)	(1,911,755)	(44,614)	2%

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	Adopted County Cost	Modified Budget	First Quarter Performance	Percent of Modified Budget
Planning	533,963	533,963	20,989	4%
Appropriations	4,041,606	10,060,610	520,888	5%
Personnel (1)	426,541	426,541	77,307	18%
Equipment (2)	0	1,315,056	0	0%
Contractual (4)	3,422,572	8,126,520	407,752	5%
Employee Benefits (8)	192,493	192,493	35,828	19%
Revenue	(3,507,643)	(9,526,647)	(499,899)	5%
Revenue (5)	(3,507,643)	(9,526,647)	(499,899)	5%
Probation	2,785,950	2,785,950	620,277	22%
Appropriations	3,285,932	3,295,932	735,928	22%
Personnel (1)	2,060,881	2,060,881	424,095	21%
Equipment (2)	0	0	0	
Contractual (4)	166,531	176,531	62,577	35%
Employee Benefits (8)	1,058,520	1,058,520	249,256	24%
Revenue	(499,982)	(509,982)	(115,650)	23%
Revenue (5)	(499,982)	(509,982)	(115,650)	23%
Public Defender	1,045,038	1,045,038	319,308	31%
Appropriations	1,705,134	1,705,134	319,408	19%
Personnel (1)	1,081,302	1,081,302	215,441	20%
Equipment (2)	0	0	0	
Contractual (4)	166,036	166,036	15,165	9%
Employee Benefits (8)	457,796	457,796	88,802	19%
Revenue	(660,096)	(660,096)	(100)	0%
Revenue (5)	(660,096)	(660,096)	(100)	0%
Public Health	4,157,809	4,669,542	1,259,165	27%
Appropriations	8,479,434	9,124,859	1,593,914	17%
Personnel (1)	2,034,084	2,061,450	460,745	22%
Equipment (2)	0	516,198	2,313	0%
Contractual (4)	5,359,972	5,448,854	894,643	16%
Employee Benefits (8)	1,085,378	1,098,358	236,212	22%
Revenue	(4,321,625)	(4,455,318)	(334,749)	8%
Revenue (5)	(4,321,625)	(4,455,318)	(334,749)	8%

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	Adopted County Cost	Modified Budget	First Quarter Performance	Percent of Modified Budget
Real Property	528,728	528,728	(130,631)	-25%
Appropriations	1,014,047	1,014,047	256,600	25%
Personnel (1)	613,380	613,380	156,458	26%
Equipment (2)	0	0	0	
Contractual (4)	82,907	82,907	22,475	27%
Employee Benefits (8)	317,760	317,760	77,667	24%
Revenue	(485,319)	(485,319)	(387,231)	80%
Revenue (5)	(485,319)	(485,319)	(387,231)	80%
Sheriff	12,842,817	13,173,347	2,931,031	22%
Appropriations	13,780,946	15,788,571	3,372,725	21%
Personnel (1)	8,194,511	8,745,544	1,805,428	21%
Equipment (2)	145,705	480,283	66,869	14%
Contractual (4)	1,681,154	2,540,375	628,747	25%
Employee Benefits (8)	3,759,576	4,022,368	871,681	22%
Revenue	(938,129)	(2,615,224)	(441,695)	17%
Revenue (5)	(938,129)	(2,615,224)	(441,695)	17%
Social Services	37,446,552	37,502,159	7,115,333	19%
Appropriations	73,882,979	73,938,587	14,235,589	19%
Personnel (1)	14,215,267	14,215,267	2,830,489	20%
Equipment (2)	81,000	98,427	10,895	11%
Contractual (4)	51,992,764	52,030,945	9,839,244	19%
Employee Benefits (8)	7,593,948	7,593,948	1,554,961	20%
Revenue	(36,436,427)	(36,436,427)	(7,120,256)	20%
Revenue (5)	(36,436,427)	(36,436,427)	(7,120,256)	20%
Treasurer	(27,752,766)	(79,415,178)	(49,101,744)	62%
Appropriations	85,561,220	85,600,912	28,848,412	34%
Personnel (1)	884,425	884,425	206,558	23%
Equipment (2)	0	0	0	
Contractual (4)	28,180,659	28,220,351	7,731,766	27%
Debt Principal Payments (6)	1,305,000	1,305,000	0	0%
Debt Interest Payments (7)	687,550	687,550	13,850	2%
Employee Benefits (8)	41,294,503	41,294,503	7,687,155	19%
Fund Transfers (9)	13,209,083	13,209,083	13,209,083	100%
Revenue	(113,313,986)	(165,016,090)	(77,950,156)	47%
Revenue (5)	(113,313,986)	(165,016,090)	(77,950,156)	47%
Fund Transfers (9)	0	0	0	

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	Adopted County Cost	Modified Budget	First Quarter Performance	Percent of Modified Budget
Veterans Services	133,522	133,522	35,200	26%
Appropriations	158,522	158,522	35,200	22%
Personnel (1)	122,677	122,677	26,797	22%
Equipment (2)	0	0	0	
Contractual (4)	6,692	6,692	1,938	29%
Employee Benefits (8)	29,153	29,153	6,465	22%
Revenue	(25,000)	(25,000)	0	0%
Revenue (5)	(25,000)	(25,000)	0	0%
Weights & Measures	89,471	89,471	12,604	14%
Appropriations	197,471	197,471	44,604	23%
Personnel (1)	114,505	114,505	24,114	21%
Equipment (2)	0	0	0	
Contractual (4)	16,158	16,158	5,134	32%
Employee Benefits (8)	66,808	66,808	15,356	23%
Revenue	(108,000)	(108,000)	(32,000)	30%
Revenue (5)	(108,000)	(108,000)	(32,000)	30%
Youth Bureau	174,587	178,547	49,433	28%
Appropriations	290,967	294,927	49,433	17%
Personnel (1)	114,781	114,781	24,198	21%
Equipment (2)	0	0	0	
Contractual (4)	109,406	113,366	9,878	9%
Employee Benefits (8)	66,780	66,780	15,358	23%
Revenue	(116,380)	(116,380)	0	0%
Revenue (5)	(116,380)	(116,380)	0	0%
Category	Adopted County Cost	Modified Quarter 1	Quarter 1 Performance	Percent of Modified Budget
1. General Fund	51,905,859	1,430,704	(34,606,390)	-2419%
Appropriations	233,824,942	262,844,807	57,892,729	22%
Personnel (1)	43,159,688	43,863,144	8,884,466	20%
Equipment (2)	413,805	15,828,901	357,121	2%
Contractual (4)	112,212,554	124,766,682	23,088,566	19%
Debt Principal Payments (6)	1,305,000	1,305,000	0	0%
Debt Interest Payments (7)	687,550	687,550	13,850	2%
Employee Benefits (8)	62,837,262	63,184,448	12,339,643	20%
Fund Transfers (9)	13,209,083	13,209,083	13,209,083	100%
Revenue	(181,919,083)	(261,414,103)	(92,499,118)	35%
Revenue (5)	(181,919,083)	(261,414,103)	(92,499,118)	35%
Fund Transfers (9)	0	0	0	

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	Adopted County Cost	Modified Budget	First Quarter Performance	Percent of Modified Budget
3. County Road (Highway)	0	480,742	(9,948,989)	-2070%
Appropriations	24,142,775	24,623,518	4,208,531	17%
Personnel (1)	4,063,954	4,063,954	876,779	22%
Equipment (2)	0	0	0	
Contractual (4)	14,022,467	14,503,210	2,820,735	19%
Debt Principal Payments (6)	102,000	102,000	0	0%
Debt Interest Payments (7)	43,074	43,074	21,233	49%
Employee Benefits (8)	2,266,280	2,266,280	485,376	21%
Fund Transfers (9)	3,645,000	3,645,000	4,407	0%
Revenue	(24,142,775)	(24,142,775)	(14,157,520)	59%
Revenue (5)	(11,397,855)	(11,397,855)	(1,412,599)	12%
Fund Transfers (9)	(12,744,920)	(12,744,920)	(12,744,920)	100%
4. Road Machinery (Highway)	0	62,629	(128,955)	-206%
Appropriations	4,573,767	4,636,396	1,160,359	25%
Personnel (1)	758,101	758,101	137,864	18%
Equipment (2)	70,000	103,500	24,586	24%
Contractual (4)	2,820,503	2,849,632	614,222	22%
Debt Principal Payments (6)	408,000	408,000	255,000	63%
Debt Interest Payments (7)	96,998	96,998	49,319	51%
Employee Benefits (8)	420,165	420,165	79,369	19%
Fund Transfers (9)	0	0	0	
Revenue	(4,573,767)	(4,573,767)	(1,289,314)	28%
Revenue (5)	(4,109,605)	(4,109,605)	(825,152)	20%
Fund Transfers (9)	(464,162)	(464,162)	(464,162)	100%
5. Solid Waste	291,250	1,026,839	(39,554)	-4%
Appropriations	5,504,831	6,240,420	980,347	16%
Personnel (1)	1,055,958	1,055,958	226,644	21%
Equipment (2)	582,500	582,500	0	0%
Contractual (4)	3,076,345	3,811,934	636,285	17%
Debt Principal Payments (6)	0	0	0	
Debt Interest Payments (7)	0	0	0	
Employee Benefits (8)	790,028	790,028	117,418	15%
Fund Transfers (9)	0	0	0	
Revenue	(5,213,581)	(5,213,581)	(1,019,901)	20%
Revenue (5)	(5,213,581)	(5,213,581)	(1,019,901)	20%
Fund Transfers (9)	0	0	0	

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	Adopted County Cost	Modified Budget	First Quarter Performance	Percent of Modified Budget
7. Self Insurance (County Attorney)	0	0	(2,558,940)	
Appropriations	3,494,176	3,494,176	713,352	20%
Personnel (1)	170,346	170,346	35,963	21%
Equipment (2)	0	0	0	
Contractual (4)	3,250,846	3,250,846	659,577	20%
Employee Benefits (8)	72,984	72,984	17,813	24%
Fund Transfers (9)	0	0	0	
Revenue	(3,494,176)	(3,494,176)	(3,272,293)	94%
Revenue (5)	(3,494,176)	(3,494,176)	(3,272,293)	94%
Fund Transfers (9)	0	0	0	
8. Liability/Casualty (County Attorn	106,625	106,625	(283,215)	-266%
Appropriations	500,690	500,690	104,790	21%
Personnel (1)	169,413	169,413	35,715	21%
Equipment (2)	0	0	0	
Contractual (4)	252,137	252,137	50,469	20%
Employee Benefits (8)	79,140	79,140	18,606	24%
Fund Transfers (9)	0	0	0	
Revenue	(394,065)	(394,065)	(388,005)	98%
Revenue (5)	(394,065)	(394,065)	(388,005)	98%
Fund Transfers (9)	0	0	0	

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	Adopted County Cost	Modified Budget	First Quarter Performance	Percent of Modified Budget
6. Capital Fund	2,173,754	1,171,254	319,591	27.3%
Highway Infrastructure Projects	1,002,500	3,645,000	4,407	0.1%
Highway	1,002,500	3,645,000	4,407	0.1%
Appropriations	1,002,500	3,645,000	4,407	0.1%
Contractual (4)	1,002,500	3,645,000	4,407	0.1%
Highway Outpost Projects	894,073	(2,750,927)	250,753	-9.1%
Highway	894,073	894,073	255,160	28.5%
Appropriations	894,073	894,073	255,160	28.5%
Personnel (1)	33,368	33,368	0	0.0%
Equipment (2)	18,301	88,751	10,000	11.3%
Contractual (4)	811,751	741,301	245,190	33.1%
Employee Benefits (8)	30,653	30,653	(30)	-0.1%
Revenue	0	0	0	
Revenue (5)	0	0	0	
Treasurer	0	(3,645,000)	(4,407)	0.1%
Revenue	0	(3,645,000)	(4,407)	0.1%
Fund Transfers (9)	0	(3,645,000)	(4,407)	0.1%
Other Projects	277,181	277,181	64,431	23.2%
County Administrator	147,021	147,021	64,431	43.8%
Appropriations	277,021	277,021	64,431	23.3%
Contractual (4)	277,021	277,021	64,431	23.3%
Revenue	(130,000)	(130,000)	0	0.0%
Revenue (5)	(130,000)	(130,000)	0	0.0%
Highway	0	0	0	
Appropriations	0	0	0	
Equipment (2)	0	0	0	
Contractual (4)	0	0	0	
Information Technology	65,000	65,000	0	0.0%
Appropriations	65,000	65,000	0	0.0%
Contractual (4)	65,000	65,000	0	0.0%
Treasurer	65,160	65,160	0	0.0%
Appropriations	65,160	65,160	0	0.0%
Contractual (4)	65,160	65,160	0	0.0%
Fund Transfers (9)	0	0	0	

May 1, 2023

Finance Committee: 4-24-2023

RESOLUTION NO. _____

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN MAINTENANCE AND SOFTWARE AGREEMENTS WITH PITNEY BOWES FOR A MAILING MACHINE AND SYSTEM IN CENTRAL PRINTING AND MAIL AND MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S OFFICE

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the Central Printing and Mail Unit provides service to all County departments for print requests and mailing services, and

WHEREAS, in 2022, over 270,000 pieces of outbound mail were processed through the current mailing machine and system, and

WHEREAS, the mail machine currently in use was put in service in 2018 and the lease on the machine is now expired, and

WHEREAS, a competitive process was performed with the vendors on New York State Office of Governmental Services (OGS) contract, and

WHEREAS, a cost analysis was performed comparing continuing with a lease arrangement verses purchasing a new machine and purchasing proved to be cost effective over a five year period, and

WHEREAS, the abilities of the new machine will increase efficiency of tasks and new services such as rate shopping and electronic certified mail are expected to reduce postage costs significantly,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign maintenance and software agreements with Pitney Bowes for a Mailing Machine and System in Central Printing and Mail, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2023 Budget for the County Administrator’s Office, as follows:

DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$23,872
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INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

BM016702 22000	B CM Office Equipment	\$23,872
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May 1, 2023

Finance Committee: 4-24-2023

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH
THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
FOR ASSIGNED COUNSEL REPRESENTATION FOR 2023-2025**

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County is mandated to provide indigent defense under Section 18-b of County Law, and

WHEREAS, the current Plan filed with New York State Office of Courts Administration indicates that St. Lawrence County provides indigent representation through an Office of the Public Defender, an Office of the Conflict Defender, and Assigned Counsel through the St. Lawrence County Bar Association, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 9-2016 authorized the last contract for Assigned Counsel Representation from 2015-2017 with the St. Lawrence County Bar Association and since the expiration of the contract in 2017, a month to month contract has remained in place ensuring that the County has representation provided by Assigned Counsel for indigent individuals entitled to representation who cannot otherwise be represented by the Office of the Public or Conflict Defender, and

WHEREAS, the Contract (IA011704 43007) includes a provision of the designation of an Assigned Counsel Administrator by the Bar Association who will implement the Assigned Counsel Plan by providing panel attorneys for criminal and for family matters required under the law, and

WHEREAS, the terms of the new contract include the initiation and oversight by the Assigned Counsel Administrator to establish a mentorship program for attorneys and the implementation of a program that would provide training and continuing legal education opportunities for qualified panel attorneys, and

WHEREAS, these activities are intended to improve the provision of representation by existing panel attorneys as well as assist with recruiting new panel attorneys to the Program,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with the St. Lawrence County Bar Association for 2023-2025 for Assigned Counsel Representation, upon approval of the County Attorney.

May 1, 2023

Finance Committee: 4-24-2023

RESOLUTION NO. _____

AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY TO RECEIVE ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDING FOR THE SEPTIC SYSTEM REPLACEMENT PROGRAM AND MODIFYING THE 2023 BUDGET FOR THE PLANNING OFFICE

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (NYSEFC) awarded a multi-year option for the County to engage in a septic system replacement program, and

WHEREAS, this successful program began in 2018 with the County receiving \$225,000 and subsequently spending the entire amount on the repair or replacement of forty (40) deficient septic systems along specified waterbodies throughout the County, and

WHEREAS, funding in the amount of \$340,000 was made available in 2021, and is currently being spent down through the second round of this program, and

WHEREAS, the NYSEFC has made available an additional \$635,000 in funding for the third round of the Septic System Replacement Program, and

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) has previously offered to provide financial assistance for administrative costs associated with program implementation as this type of funding is absent from the grant in its current format, and

WHEREAS, the intent to move forward with grant implementation with funds provided by the SWCD will occur with efforts to locate additional sources of funds to support the administration of the grant, noting that it is possible that implementation may be impacted when administrative funding is exhausted,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the County to receive additional administration funding for the Septic Replacement Program, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2023 Budget in the Planning Office, as follows:

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

N1087904 43007 EFC N GEN NAT Resources Cont \$25,000

INCREASE REVENUE:

N1012895 55000 EFC N LR Other Gen Department Income \$25,000

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

May 1, 2023

Finance Committee: 4-24-2023

RESOLUTION NO. 99-2023 - TABLED

SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW A (NO. __) FOR THE YEAR 2023, "EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES AND AMBULANCE SERVICES IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY PURSUANT TO SECTION 466-A OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW" AND REPEALING LOCAL LAW NO. 2 FOR THE YEAR 2005 IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY

By Mr. Gennett, Chair, Finance Committee
Co-Sponsored by Ms. Haggard, District 10 and Ms. Curran, District 15

WHEREAS, in 2005, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators passed Local Law No. 2 for the Year 2005 granting real property tax exemptions to certain volunteer firefighters and ambulance service members within St. Lawrence County pursuant to specific home rule legislation identified as Real Property Tax Law § 466-f, and

WHEREAS, on December 27, 2022, Governor Hochul signed into law a new provision of the Real Property Tax Law (RPTL) identified as Section 466-a , and

WHEREAS, RPTL § 466-a gives municipalities, school districts, and fire districts throughout the State the option to provide a property tax exemption of up to ten percent (10%) to volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers subject to certain caveats, and

WHEREAS, the newly adopted RPTL § 466-a grants to taxing jurisdictions greater authority in identifying how to define an "active" volunteer that would be eligible for the tax exemption, and

WHEREAS, RPTL § 466-a provides, at local option, that a lifetime exemption may be provided to volunteers with at least 20 years of service as long as they maintain their primary residence in the county they have served as well as allowing taxing jurisdictions permission to allow un-remarried surviving spouses of eligible volunteers to retain an exemption granted as a result of services of a deceased spouse, and

WHEREAS, even though St. Lawrence County has been offering a similar exemption for volunteer firefighters and ambulance workers under RPTL§ 466-f since 2005, the County must adopt a new local law to conform to the new Statewide exemption statute no later than December 9, 2025, and

WHEREAS, failure or refusal to pass a new local law granting the exemption by December 9, 2025 will result in a lapse of the exemption as all of the "old" exemption statutes will be repealed, and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a public hearing on proposed Local Law A (No. __) for the Year 2023, will be held on Monday, April 3, 2023, at 5:50 p.m. in the Legislative Chambers.

May 1, 2023

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW A (NO. _____) FOR THE YEAR 2023,
“EXEMPTIONS FOR CERTAIN MEMBERS OF VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES
AND AMBULANCE SERVICES IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY PURSUANT TO
SECTION 466-A OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW” AND REPEALING
LOCAL LAW NO. 2 FOR THE YEAR 2005**

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

Section 1. Purpose

This Local Law is enacted for the purpose of providing a partial tax exemption upon real property based upon the owner’s volunteer membership in a Fire Department or First Aid Unit primarily located and operated within St. Lawrence County as permitted by Section 466-a of New York’s Real Property Tax Law.

Section 2. Legislative Intent

The purpose of this article is to provide a partial exemption from taxation imposed by the County of St. Lawrence upon real property situated within the County of St. Lawrence owned by persons who voluntarily serve as members of a volunteer Fire Department or volunteer ambulance service under the parameters set forth herein, pursuant to the authority vested in the County by § 466-a of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York.

Section 3. Partial Exemption Granted

A. Real property owned by an enrolled volunteer member of a St. Lawrence County Fire Department or Ambulance Service or such enrolled member and spouse residing within St. Lawrence County shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of ten percent (10%) of the assessed value of such property for County purposes, exclusive of special assessments.

B. Such exemption shall not be granted to an enrolled member of a St. Lawrence County Volunteer Fire Department or Ambulance Service unless:

1. The applicant resides within the County of St. Lawrence;
2. The property is the primary residence of the applicant;
3. The property is used exclusively for residential purposes; provided however, that in the event any portion of such property is not used exclusively for the applicant’s residence but is used for other purposes, such portion shall be subject to taxation and the remaining portion only shall be entitled to the exemption provided by this section; and
4. The applicant has been certified by the authority having jurisdiction for a St. Lawrence County Volunteer Fire Department or Ambulance Service as an enrolled member of said Department or Ambulance Service having served a minimum of two consecutive years of service. The Chief of the Department or Ambulance Service, or his/her designee, shall determine eligibility for the exemption established hereunder utilizing the official service records of each applicant.

Section 4. Lifetime Partial Exemption Eligibility

Any enrolled member of a St. Lawrence County Fire Department or St. Lawrence County Ambulance Service who accrues more than twenty years of active service and is so certified by

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the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, shall be granted the ten percent exemption as authorized by this section for the remainder of his or her life as long as his or her primary residence is located within the County of St. Lawrence.

Section 5. Line of Duty Death Partial Exemption Eligibility

Un-remarried spouses of volunteer firefighters or rescue squad workers killed in the line of duty shall be entitled to continue the partial exemption granted hereunder; provided, however, that:

1. Such un-remarried spouse is certified by the County of St. Lawrence as an un-remarried spouse of an enrolled member of a St. Lawrence County Volunteer Fire Department or Ambulance Service who was killed in the line of duty; and
2. Such deceased volunteer had been an enrolled member for at least five years; and
3. Such deceased volunteer had been receiving the exemption prior to his or her death.

Section 6. Deceased Member Partial Exemption Eligibility

Un-remarried spouses of deceased volunteer firefighters or rescue squad workers shall be entitled to continue the partial exemption granted hereunder; provided, however, that:

1. Such un-remarried spouse is certified by the County of St. Lawrence as an un-remarried spouse of an enrolled member of a St. Lawrence County Volunteer Fire Department or Ambulance Service who is deceased; and
2. Such deceased volunteer had been an enrolled member for at least twenty years; and
3. Such deceased volunteer and un-remarried spouse had been receiving the exemption prior to his or her death.

Section 7. Application Procedure

A volunteer firefighter or rescue squad worker must annually, on or before the applicable taxable status date, file an application for such property tax exemption with the assessor responsible for preparing the assessment roll for the County of St. Lawrence, on a form as prescribed by the New York State Commissioner of Taxation and Finance.

Section 8. Severability

If any part or provision of this Local Law or the application thereof to any person or circumstance be adjudged invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the part or provision or application directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered and shall not affect or impair the validity of the remainder of this Local Law or the application thereof to other persons or circumstances, and the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence hereby declares that it would have passed this Local Law or the remainder thereof had such invalid application or invalid provision been apparent.

Section 9. Repeal

All ordinances, local laws, and parts thereof inconsistent with this Local Law are hereby repealed.

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Section 10. Authority

This Local Law is enacted pursuant to the Municipal Home Rule Law and Real Property Tax Law §466-a. This Local Law shall supersede the provisions of County Law to the extent it is inconsistent with the same, and to the extent permitted by the New York State Constitution, the Municipal Home Rule Law, or any other applicable statute.

Section 11. Effective Date

This law shall become effective upon filing with the Office of the New York State Secretary of State in accordance with Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

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Finance Committee: 4-24-2023

RESOLUTION NO. _____ (TABLED)

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES AGREEMENT IN RELATION TO
SOLAR PROJECT ON PARCEL 40.004-2-20.22/1 LOCATED AT 50 COGSWELL
CORNERS ROAD IN THE TOWN OF MADRID**

By Mr. Acres, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, Acer Solar, LLC (the “Company”) intends to build and operate a solar energy system as defined by the New York State Real Property Tax Law Section 487 (the “Project”) located at 50 Cogswell Corners Road in the Town of Madrid (Tax Parcel No. 40.004-2-20.22), and

WHEREAS, for those Taxing Jurisdictions that have not opted out of RPTL Section 487; pursuant to RPTL Section 487(9) (a), such a taxing jurisdiction could indicate its intent to require a PILOT Agreement with the developer, under which the developer (or any successor owner of the Project) will be required to make annual payments to the Taxing Jurisdiction for each year during the term of the PILOT Agreement, and

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency manages the PILOT negotiation process for St. Lawrence County with developers of such solar energy systems, and

WHEREAS, the Company seeks to enter into a payment in lieu of tax agreement with St. Lawrence County pursuant to the following terms:

- Fifteen-year payment in lieu of tax agreement pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 487,
- \$5,000 per MW payment to the effected jurisdictions, increasing 2% annually during the term of the agreement; and distributed to St. Lawrence County, Madrid-Waddington School and Town of Madrid based on their pro-rata property tax Distribution, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators approves payment in lieu of taxes agreement in relation to solar project on parcel 40.004-2-20.22/1, located at 50 Cogswell Corners Road in the Town of Madrid, and

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorized the Industrial Development Agency to finalize the execution of payment in lieu of tax agreement for the County pursuant to the terms set forth and to administer the billing and collection for the County for the term of the PILOT, upon approval of the County Attorney.