

SENECA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

REGULAR MEETING

May 27, 2008

8:00 p.m.

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Call to Order

Chairman Lafler called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Roll Call of Members by the Clerk

Thirteen members of the Board of Supervisors were present. Mr. Westfall was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Presentations / Petitioners

Department Review

- a. Seneca County Sheriff's Department and Law Enforcement Center, Sheriff Jack Stenberg
- b. Insurance and Risk Management, Mary Lou Turner, Director
- c. Real Property Tax and Solid Waste, James Bastion, Director

Reports of Standing Committees

Public Works Committee, Mr. Davidson, Chairman, reported that the Committee recommended Board of Supervisors approval to hire seasonal laborers for the Highway Department and the allocation of \$25,000 of CHIPS funding for window replacement and insulation for the main building at the Highway Department.

Public Safety Committee, Mr. Shipley, Chairman, reported that the Committee recommended Board of Supervisors authorization for the County Manager to sing the Aid to Prosecution Grant for the purpose of enhancing the prosecution of repeat felony offenders.

Personnel & Technology Committee, Dr. Dresser, Chairman, reported that the Committee recommended the hiring of seasonal laborers for the Highway Department, and Board of Supervisors approval of the revised Hiring Policy as recommended by the County Manager, the Personnel Director, and Mr. Barto and Mr. Westfall.

Indian Affairs Committee, Mr. Same, Chairman, reported that the Committee recommended Board of Supervisors approval for Chairman Lafler to send correspondence to Governor Paterson with regard to the Oneida Indian application for transfer of land into trust.

Mr. Fisher, County Attorney, was recognized by the Chairman of the Board. Mr. Fisher informed the Board of Supervisors about the recent Public Health report citing that Lakeside Trading was found to have made sales of cigarettes to minors. The finding was sent to New York State for a disciplinary hearing. Mr. Fisher said that the attorney for the Cayuga Nation stated that Lakeside Trading was not subject to New York State authority in this aspect as it was sovereign property.

Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Committee, Mr. Kaiser, Chairman, reported that the Committee recommended Board of Supervisors authorization for the Planning Department to distribute RFPs for Engineering Services and Fundraising Services for the Sampson Veterans' Memorial Cemetery. Mr. Kaiser said he would make a motion under Suspension of the Rules. Mr. Kaiser also said the Committee recommended that the Board Chairman sign the Consultant Agreement with C & S for services for the security project and the tie down replacement project at the Finger Lakes Airport.

#### Approval of Meeting Minutes

The minutes for the April 8, 2008 Board of Supervisors Regular meeting were approved as written.

#### Communications

103. A letter from Mr. Stephen J. Acquario, Executive Director of NYSAC dated May 7, 2008 acknowledging receipt of Resolution #265-07 (Opposing Spitzer's Plans to Give Drivers' Licenses to Illegal Aliens).

104. A letter from Ms. Carmella R. Mantello, Director of the New York State Canal Corporation dated May 6, 2008 acknowledging receipt of the letter from the Seneca County Board of Supervisors regarding the tolls and hours of operation for the canal locks during the 2008 season.

105. A letter from Mr. Alfred D. Lerner, Chairman of the Commission of Investigation of the State of New York dated May 1, 2008 announcing the release of the Commission's Annual Report for the year 2007 which can be found on their website: [www.sic.state.ny.us](http://www.sic.state.ny.us) for review.

106. Minutes of the March 18, 2008 meeting of the Seneca County Federation of Sportsmen's Club, Inc. held in Waterloo, NY.

107. Minutes of the April 15, 2008 meeting of the Seneca County Federation of Sportsmen's Club, Inc. held in Waterloo, NY.

108. Minutes of the April 28, 2008 meeting of the Seneca County Soil & Water Conservation District held in Seneca Falls, NY.

109. An email from Mr. Ben Beniman to Suzanne Sinclair dated May 7, 2008 thanking Seneca County for the opportunity to be interviewed for the Director of Planning.

110. A letter from Ms. Lorraine Cortes-Vazquez from the NYS Department of State, Albany, NY dated May 14, 2008 announcing the solicitation of grant applications under Title 11 which advance the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program. Referred to Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Committee

111. A letter from Mr. Fred Gaffney, Director of the Seneca County Chamber of Commerce dated May 12, 2008 regarding Governor Paterson's announcement regarding large truck hauling in Upstate New York. Referred to Planning, Development, Agricultural & Tourism Committee

112. A copy of a letter from Theodore H. Young, Mayor of the Village of Waterloo dated May 12, 2008 which was sent to USDA Rural Development, The Galleries of Syracuse, Syracuse, NY to discuss the water system he oversees in Seneca County. Referred to Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Committee

RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO SIGN  
A CONTRACT WITH ONTARIO COUNTY FOR THE CANCER SERVICES PROGRAM**

RESOLUTION NO. 139-08, moved by Mr. Hayssen, seconded by Mr. Shipley and adopted by 690 ayes (Hayssen, Shipley, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Davidson, Dresser, Kaiser, Same, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Mooney) and 60 absentees (Westfall).

WHEREAS, Ontario County Public Health is the lead agency for the Cancer Services Program for Ontario, Seneca, and Yates County's; and

WHEREAS, Ontario County will be contracting with Seneca County Public Health to provide services for this program to include outreach and education, as well as case management; and

WHEREAS, the period for this grant is April 1, 2008 through March 31, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Health Department will be compensated in the amount of \$33,513; and

WHEREAS, the cost of this program will be \$33,513; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Committee has approved the acceptance of this funding;

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Chairman of the Board to sign a contract with Ontario County to receive this funding; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign a contract with Ontario County for the Cancer Services Program.

**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO SIGN  
A CONTRACT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE  
CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS PROGRAM**

RESOLUTION NO. 140-08, moved by Mr. Hayssen, seconded by Mr. Barto and adopted by 690 ayes (Hayssen, Barto, Reynolds, Serven, Davidson, Dresser, Kaiser, Same, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Mooney, Shipley) and 60 absentees (Westfall).

WHEREAS, the Health Department receives grant monies for the administration of the Children with Special Health Care Needs Program; and

WHEREAS, the grant award of \$16,884 will cover the period of October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Committee has approved the acceptance of this funding; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to sign a contract to receive these funds; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign a contract with the New York State Department of Health for the Children with Special Health Care Needs Program.

**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO SIGN  
A CONTRACT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR  
EARLY INTERVENTION ADMINISTRATION**

RESOLUTION NO. 141-08, moved by Mr. Hayssen, seconded by Mrs. Amidon and adopted by 690 ayes (Hayssen, Amidon, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Davidson, Dresser, Kaiser, Same, Lafler, Terryberry, Mooney, Shipley) and 60 absentees (Westfall).

WHEREAS, the Health Department receives grant funding for the Administration of the Early Intervention Program; and

WHEREAS, the grant amount of \$30,562 will cover the period of October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Committee has approved the acceptance of this funding; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to sign a contract to receive this grant funding; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign a contract with the New York State Department of Health for the Administration of the Early Intervention Program.

Dr. Dresser made a motion to adopt a resolution amending Seneca County Policy 101.201, Refilling Vacant Positions, and adopt an amended policy. Mr. Davidson seconded Dr. Dresser's motion.

Mr. Barto made a motion to amend the Main Motion by using the text presented by the County Attorney at the Personnel and Technology Committee meeting held prior to the Board meeting, and recommended by said Committee. The motion was seconded by Mr. Same.

A discussion followed with opposing arguments citing the unnecessary addition of a Vacancy Committee in addition to the hiring process followed by department heads, the County Manager, and the Personnel Director, as well as final approval by the oversight committee for Personnel. The Vacancy Committee would be another layer in the process of hiring; and the automatic elimination of a position if it had not been refilled in a year.

Arguments heard supporting the adoption of the refill vacant positions policy were that it eliminated the current approval by three different Supervisors committees; that it involved the Board of

Supervisors earlier in the process of refilling positions; and a department head can appeal to the Vacancy Committee to retain a position if it is vacant for a year due to extenuating circumstances.

Mr. Kaiser stated that he would vote nay because he disagreed with the automatic elimination of positions if left vacant for a year, and because he believed the establishment of a Vacancy Committee was unnecessary and duplicated the responsibility currently assigned to the Board of Supervisors Personnel Committee and County Manager.

Mr. Hayssen stated that the Vacancy Committee meetings should be open meetings.

Mr. Terryberry stated that recommendations made by the Vacancy Committee on creating new positions would also require approval by the Personnel Committee, the Finance Committee, and the department oversight committee.

Chairman Lafler called the Question.

The Motion to Amend the Main Motion was carried by 408 ayes (Barto, Same, Reynolds, Serven, Davidson, Lafler, Amidon), 282 nays (Kaiser, Terryberry, Hayssen, Mooney, Shipley) and 60 absentees (Westfall).

**SUPERVISORS AMEND POLICY #101.201 REFILLING VACANT POSITIONS  
AND ADOPT THE AMENDED POLICY (as amended)**

RESOLUTION NO. 142-08, moved by Dr. Dresser, seconded by Mr. Davidson and adopted by 408 ayes (Dresser, Davidson, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Same, Lafler, Amidon), 282 nays (Kaiser, Terryberry, Hayssen, Mooney, Shipley) and 60 absentees (Westfall).

WHEREAS, at it April 22, 2007 meeting the Board of Supervisors Personnel & Technology Committee appointed a Subcommittee for the purpose of reviewing Seneca County Policy 101.201 titled Refilling Vacant Positions; and

WHEREAS, the Subcommittee's membership is comprised of the Seneca County Manager, the Seneca County Personnel Director, the Chairman of the Personnel & Technology Committee and two members of the Personnel & Technology Committee; and

WHEREAS, having met on May 7, 2008 to review Seneca County Policy 101.201, the Subcommittee recommended several amendments to said policy; and

WHEREAS, at its May 13, 2008 meeting the Board of Supervisors Personnel & Technology Committee reviewed the Subcommittee's recommendations regarding said policy; and

WHEREAS, at its May 13, 2008 meeting, the Board of Supervisors Personnel & Technology Committee recommended that the amendments be adopted as Seneca County Policy 101.201; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby adopt Seneca County Policy 101.201 titled Refilling Vacant Position with amended text as follows:

- A. For budgeted full-time or part-time authorized positions becoming vacant, the procedure to fill the vacancy shall be as follows:
1. The Department Head for the department or division in which such vacancy shall have occurred shall submit to the Personnel Department on the designated form, written justification for refilling such position.
  2. The County Personnel Officer, or his/her designee, shall, upon receipt of such written justification, log the position vacancy and hold it for the next Vacancy Committee meeting
  3. The Vacancy Committee shall consist of the County Manager, the County Personnel Officer and Chairman of the Personnel and Technology Committee or a member of such Committee designated by such Chairman and shall meet on the first Tuesday of each month in which there is such application or applications to fill a vacancy for the purpose of reviewing vacancies and justifications for refilling of such vacant positions. Department Heads may be requested to attend this meeting.
  4. The Vacancy Committee shall decide if and when the filling of a vacancy shall be approved.
  5. The Committee's decision shall be noted on a vacancy log and written notice of this decision shall be transmitted to the Department Head for the department or division in which such vacancy shall have occurred and to the Chairman of the Committee responsible for oversight of such department or division wherein the vacancy exists.
  6. Following approval by the Vacancy Committee of the filling of the vacancy, the Department Head will be required to obtain approval of the Committee of the Board having oversight of the Department or Division.
  7. No vacant position shall be refilled without written authorization from the Vacancy Committee and approval by the Committee of the Board having oversight of the Department or Division in which such vacancy exists.
  8. No temporary or substitute employees shall be employed without written authorization from the Personnel Officer.
- B. For Competitive Class hiring:
1. When an eligible list exists:
    - a) Following approval by the Vacancy Committee, the Personnel Department shall certify the eligible list to any requesting department.
    - b) The Department Head shall select from the certification or transfer alternatives.

- c) The Department Head shall then send the certification or transfer selection and the Vacancy Replacement Request to the Personnel Department.
  - 2. If No Eligible list exists:
    - a) The Personnel Department shall conduct recruitment efforts.
    - b) The Personnel Officer shall qualify candidates/applicants.
    - c) The Department Head may appoint provisionally from qualified candidates/applicants.
    - d) The Department Head shall prepare and submit the Vacancy Replacement Request to the Personnel Department.
- C. Non-competitive, Labor and Exempt Class
  - 1. All non-competitive, labor and exempt class positions must be budgeted and in accordance with the prevailing collective bargaining agreement. The procedure to be used is as set forth in Paragraph A except that:
    - a) Following approval by the Vacancy Committee, the Personnel Department shall post the job vacancy for five (5) working days or as required by the appropriate Collective Bargaining Agreement.
    - b) Applications for the position are to be sent to the Personnel Department.
    - c) The Personnel Officer shall review the applications.
    - d) The Department Head will be required to obtain approval by the Committee of the Board having oversight of the Department or Division.
    - e) The Department Head shall select from the approved applicants, pursuant to the provisions of the appropriate Collective Bargaining Agreement.
- D. Status of Vacant Positions
  - 1. Any position left vacant for one (1) year shall be eliminated as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year following the conclusion of one year after the date on which the vacancy occurred. Unless there is an active and on-going recruitment effort in progress.
  - 2. By the end of September prior to the time a vacant position is to be so eliminated, the effected Department Head shall be notified by the Personnel Department of the title(s) to be eliminated pursuant to this policy. Department Heads wishing to appeal the elimination of any position shall make such appeal to the Personnel Officer and the County Finance Committee no later than the first day of October immediately following the date of such notification.
- E. New Position
  - 1. All new positions:

- a) Shall be approved by a vote of the Vacancy Committee.
- b) Require the Department Head and the Personnel Officer to submit a request to the County Manager's Office and furnish the County Manager with an impact statement as to the cost of filling the position.
- c) Require approval of the Standing Committee having oversight of the Department or Division in which such new position is proposed as well as the Finance Committee.
- d) Requires approval of the Board of Supervisors to create and fund the position.
- e) The Personnel Officer shall notify the appropriate Department Head of the meetings of the Committees and the Board at which action is contemplated as to such new position.

F. Emergencies: Special consideration will be given to positions that are emergency related, 100% State/Federally funded and part-time positions.

G. Definitions:

- 1. Emergency positions are defined as those jobs that are related to public safety, security, direct patient and client care, direct custody and care at the County Jail and certain other areas deemed to be essential by the Vacancy Committee or the Board of Supervisors. Vacancies deemed to be emergency positions shall be filled in accordance with procedures established by the Employee Position Vacancy Committee.
- 2. 100% State/Federally funded positions are those where there is no county cost associated with both personnel and fringe benefit costs.
- 3. Part-time Employment means employment in a civil division in which an individual works less than the standard work week prescribed by the governing body or other appropriate authority of the civil division.
- 4. Those positions of employment normally allocated to the competitive class, may if included in the appendices be allocated to the non-competitive class, provided an individual appointed to any such position, or combination of employments in the civil division, does not work more than fifty percent of the time prescribed as the standard work year by the governing board or other appropriate authority of the civil division, or wherein the employee earns not more than one-half (1/2) of the annual rate assigned to the position during the course of the fiscal year of the civil division.

**PROCLAMATION: ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY 2008**

RESOLUTION NO. 143-08, moved by Mr. Mooney, seconded by Mr. Same and adopted by 690 ayes (Mooney, Same, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Davidson, Dresser, Kaiser, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Hayssen, Shipley) and 60 absentees (Westfall).

WHEREAS, the County has been informed by the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse that June 15, 2008 is annual World Elder Abuse Awareness Day; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Office for the Aging and Division Human Services in conjunction with the Finger Lakes Elder Abuse Coalition seek to educate the general public on issues of elder mistreatment and to facilitate legislative change for the protection of the vulnerable elderly; and

WHEREAS, elder abuse is grossly under reported because the elderly who are being abused find it very difficult to tell anyone and are usually ashamed and sometimes afraid; and

WHEREAS, nationally only 1 in 5 cases get reported; and

WHEREAS, Seneca County's older citizens laid the foundation for the state and nation we enjoy today; and

WHEREAS, abuse of older persons is a tragedy inflicted on a vulnerable segment of the population that crosses all socio-economic boundaries; and

WHEREAS, combating abuse of older people will help to improve the quality of life for seniors across Seneca County and New York State, and will allow senior citizens to continue to live as independently and vibrantly as possible; and

WHEREAS, Seneca County seniors should be treated with respect and dignity as they continue to serve as leaders, mentors, volunteers, and important and active members of our councils; and

WHEREAS, the County of Seneca honors the countless contributions of its senior citizens, and recognizes all efforts to end elder abuse as vital to the interests of the citizens of this County; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby proclaim June 15, 2008 as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, urge both the public and private sectors to join with this Board in recognizing the contributions of all older Americans and the right of these Americans to live in peace and dignity without fear of abuse, and in particular, those older Americans who are residents of Seneca County.

**APPOINTMENT OF FINGER LAKES WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD MEMBERS**

RESOLUTION NO. 144-08, moved by Mr. Mooney, seconded by Mr. Kaiser and adopted by 690 ayes (Mooney, Kaiser, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Davidson, Dresser, Same, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Hayssen, Shipley) and 60 absentees (Westfall).

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors has authorized the creation of the Finger Lakes Workforce Investment Board for the counties of Ontario, Wayne, Seneca and Yates in compliance with the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) of 1998 and the appointment of the public sector Workforce Investment Board Members must be endorsed by the four counties of Ontario, Wayne, Seneca and Yates and the private sector members must be appointed by their legislative bodies; and

WHEREAS, the following are recommended by the Seneca County Board of Supervisors Human Services Committee for appointment to the FLWIB as Public Sector representatives for the term July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011:

- Mr. Charles L. Schillaci, Commissioner, Seneca County Division of Human Services  
1 DiPronio Drive  
Waterloo, New York 13165
- Mr. Robert Doeblin, Director of Resident Services  
Geneva Housing Authority Section 8 Housing Representative  
P.O. Box 153, 41 Lewis Street  
Geneva, New York 14456

WHEREAS, the following are recommended by the Seneca County Board of Supervisors Human Services Committee for appointment to the FLWIB as Private Sector representatives for the term July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011:

- Ms. Jane Shaffer, Co-Owner & Partner, Sessler Companies; Thruway Travel Centers  
1257 NYS Rte. 96  
Waterloo, New York 13165
- Mr. Richard Bonneville, Administrator, Seneca Nursing Home & Rehabilitation Center  
200 Douglas Drive  
Waterloo, New York 13165

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors recommends for appointment, those listed above, to the FLWIB as Private and Public Sector representatives for the term July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2011.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER SIGNATURE FOR THE AID TO PROSECUTION GRANT AWARD FROM DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES FOR \$39,503**

RESOLUTION NO. 145-08, moved by Mr. Shipley, seconded by Mr. Mooney and adopted by 690 ayes (Shipley, Mooney, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Davidson, Dresser, Kaiser, Same, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Hayssen) and 60 absentees (Westfall).

WHEREAS, the Division of Criminal Justice has awarded Seneca County District Attorney a \$39,503 grant through the 2008 Aid to Prosecution Program for the purpose of enhancing the prosecution

of repeat violent and serious felony offenders by maintaining increased levels of experienced prosecution personnel who will seek to minimize the plea-bargaining option and to impose the maximum sentence for such defendants; and

WHEREAS, the total cost of this grant provides one hundred percent of the cost of these services with no county match required; and

WHEREAS, the District Attorney's request was reviewed and approved by the Public Safety and Jail Construction Committee of the Board of Supervisors on May 27, 2008; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager is hereby authorized and directed to sign all necessary paperwork to accept the Aid to Prosecution Grant.

#### New Business

Mr. Kaiser made a motion to Suspend the Rules of Order to introduce resolutions not previously filed. Mrs. Amidon seconded the motion. The motion was carried by 1392 ayes and 114 absentees (Westfall).

### **RESOLUTION REGARDING PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE SAMPSON VETERAN'S MEMORIAL CEMETERY**

RESOLUTION NO. 146-08, moved by Mr. Kaiser, seconded by Mr. Terryberry and adopted by 690 ayes (Kaiser, Terryberry, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Davidson, Dresser, Same, Lafler, Amidon, Hayssen, Mooney, Shipley) and 60 absentees (Westfall).

WHEREAS, application has been made for grant funding in the amount of \$250,000.00 for development of the proposed Sampson Veteran's Memorial Cemetery, and

WHEREAS, although such grant application remains pending, there has been legislative approval of the funding for the project and solicitation of proposals will not result in irrevocable commitment of the County to the project but will provide advance preliminary action to expedite project commencement as soon as such funding is confirmed, and

WHEREAS, Requests for Proposals for services necessary for the project for engineering and fund-raising work must be solicited before planning may continue or work commence on the project, and

WHEREAS, the within resolution for solicitation of Requests for Proposals for Engineering and Fund-raising Services has been approved by the Committee on Planning, Development, Agriculture and Tourism, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Planning Department is hereby authorized and directed to disseminate the annexed solicitation for Requests for Proposals for Engineering Services and Fund-raising Services related to the planning and development of the Sampson Veteran's Memorial Cemetery to be constructed at the site of the Sampson State Park in Romulus, New York, and to submit the lowest competent and compliant proposal received in response thereto to the Board of Supervisors for approval.

**RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE SENTIMENT OF THE BOARD AND DIRECTING THE  
CHAIRMAN TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE GOVERNOR WITH REGARD TO THE  
ONEIDA INDIAN APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF LAND INTO TRUST**

RESOLUTION NO. 147-08, moved by Mr. Same, seconded by Mr. Barto and adopted by 690 ayes (Same, Barto, Reynolds, Serven, Davidson, Dresser, Kaiser, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Hayssen, Mooney, Shipley) and 60 absentees (Westfall).

WHEREAS, the Oneida Indian Tribe application to the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the department of the Interior to take land of the tribe located in Madison and Oneida Counties into trust on behalf of said tribe has been granted by the United State Department of the Interior; and

WHEREAS, the granting of such application has serious implications for the economic well being of the people of the Counties of Oneida and Madison; and

WHEREAS, the granting of such application also has serious implications as to the application of the Cayuga Indian Tribe of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Department of the Interior to take land located in Cayuga and Seneca Counties into trust on behalf of said tribe and threatens similar damage to the economies of those counties; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors hereby expresses its concern for the said decision of the United State Department of the Interior with regard to the Application of the Oneida Indian tribe, its support for the People of Madison and Oneida Counties in their efforts to overturn such decision and its desire that the State of New York take all steps within its power to support the efforts of the People of Madison and Oneida Counties to overturn such decision; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVE, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is authorized and directed to inform New York State Governor David A. Paterson in writing of the sentiment of the Board and of the People of Seneca County and their desire that the State of New York take all such steps in support of the effort to so overturn such decision.

Chairman Lafler recognized Mr. Shipley who asked Mr. Kaiser if the IDA had any information about the possibility of a Toyota plant coming to the former army depot. He said he saw a newsletter of Greater Rochester Enterprise (GRE) about businesses that located at the depot. Mr Kaiser said he would bring it to the attention of the IDA.

Special Order of the Day

A motion was made, seconded and carried to adjourn (9:19 p.m.)