

SENECA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

REGULAR MEETING

June 10, 2008

8:00 p.m.

Call to Order

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

Roll Call of Members by the Clerk

Twelve members of the Board of Supervisors were present. Mr. Shipley and Mr. Hayssen were absent.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Presentations / Petitioners:

a. Employee of the 1st Quarter 2008 was awarded to Deborah McGrimley, Employee and Training Counselor.

b. Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program Recognition. The VITA Team consisted of 7 volunteers, 5 county employees acting as coordinators and eight county employee support staff. They completed 391 tax returns for 2007 were with an estimated refund of \$567,645.

c. Seneca County Department Review. Charles McCann, Director of Emergency Management gave an overview of services provided to the residents of Seneca County.

Submission of Claims for Audit

Mr. Barto made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Amidon, and carried that the following vouchers have gone through the proper auditing process be approved for payment.

Supervisors vouchers	#1424 - 1687	totaling	\$ 224,871.11
OFA vouchers	#280 - 338	totaling	\$ 67,435.17
Workforce Development vouchers	#81 - 104	totaling	\$ 22,092.96
Insurance vouchers	#219 - 222	totaling	\$ 38,188.60
Sheriff vouchers	#557 - 607	totaling	\$ 51,349.48
County Airport vouchers	#46 - 56	totaling	\$ 10,121.45
Highway Transportation vouchers			
Maintenance & State Snow	#127 - 159	totaling	\$ 157,485.02
Highway Machinery	#164 - 201	totaling	\$ 28,946.11
	Highway Total		\$ 186,431.13
Highway Capital vouchers	#10 - #11	totaling	\$ 11,551.20
Jail Capital vouchers	#8	totaling	\$ 479.50
Airport Capital vouchers	#6	totaling	\$ 2,405.87

## Reports of Standing Committees

Government Operations Committee, Mrs. Amidon, Chairperson, reported on the Committee's approval to grant the exemption to the Local Law relating to mass gatherings for Empire Farm Days.

Public Safety Committee, Mr. Shipley, Chairman, reported on the Committee's approval for a Board resolution for the Board Chairman to sign the Inter-Municipal Agreement between the Counties of Seneca and Schuyler Sheriff's Department for services provided during the racing season at Watkins Glen, as well as an agreement with the National Forest Service for Sheriff patrol. Both of these issues would be presented at the Board meeting for resolutions. The Committee also approved the NY-ALERT Agreement, which is the All Hazard alert and notification system to provide emergency information to residents in the county and directed Charles McCann to sign the Agreement.

Other business reviewed by the Committee was \$20,000 awarded to the Seneca County Economic Development Corporation for improvements at the Police and Fire Training Facility. A credit of \$13,050 was received from change orders from Bette & Cring, LLC for general construction for the Law Enforcement Center. The Committee received a copy of the All Hazards Mitigation Plan to review and approve for adoption by the Board of Supervisors.

Personnel & Technology Committee – A meeting of the Committee would commence after the adjournment of the Board meeting. Dr. Dresser, Chairman, stated that he would be requesting approval in accordance with County Policy on Travel outside of New York State, to attend the 2008 Annual NACo Conference & Exposition on July 11 – 15, 2008 in Kansas City, Missouri.

Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Committee, Mr. Kaiser, Chairman, reported on the Committee's approval to accept the bid from Sealand Contractors for construction of the Chadwick Road Relocation Project. The Committee approved the License Agreement with Seneca County IDA to lease space in the County Building. The Committee approved modifications to the Disadvantage Business Enterprise Program (DBE) for the Finger Lakes Regional Airport, establishing Harriet Haynes as the DBE Liaison Officer, and Suzanne Sinclair as the Reconsideration Official.

Human Services Committee, Mr. Mooney, Chairman reported on the Committee's approval for the Board Chairman to sign contracts with Finger Lakes Workforce Investment Board for the July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. The Committee also approved the transportation proposal for Veterans Services, which addresses the increasing cost of fuel and its affect on volunteer drivers using their own vehicles.

Finance, Assessment & Insurance Committee, Mr. Barto, Chairman reported on the Committee's approval to accept the proposal from Randy Deal for a study to analyze a county-wide assessing program. Mr. Barto said that the Committee also discussed Governor Paterson's proposed Tax Cap Legislation. The general consensus was that the proposal was unrealistic because while such a cap may hold down

property taxes, unfunded mandates handed down from NYS to the county-level forces the county to increase other revenue sources in order to maintain existing services.

County Manager's Remarks

Ms. Sinclair said that candidates had been interviewed for the Director of Planning and Community Development. Her recommendation for that position was C. Mitchell Rowe, who was a planner for the City of Irondequoit and Director of Code Enforcement.

Communications:

113. From Brian Laudadio, Esq., his letter of resignation dated June 4, 2008 from Harris Beach PLLC, effective May 30, 2008.

114. From Seneca County IDA notice of a public hearing on Monday, June 30, 2008 at 11:30 a.m. at the Romulus Town Hall, 1435 Prospect Street, Willard, NY regarding Seneca County Industrial Development Agency and Seneca BioEnergy, LLC.

115. A letter of acknowledgement from Assemblyman Brian M. Kolb for receipt of Resolution #122-08, proclaiming May as "One-Stop Month" Career Centers, and Resolution #131-08, urging legislation banning text messaging while driving.

116. A letter of acknowledgement from Assemblyman Joseph A. Errigo for receipt of Resolution #122-08.

117. A letter of acknowledgement from Senator Michael F. Nozzolio for receipt of Resolution #131-08.

118. A copy of the Rochester Genesee Regional Transportation Authority (RGRTA) Comprehensive Plan for the Fiscal Year 2008-2009.

119. A copy of the Record of Decision from the U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs dated May 2008 regarding the Oneida Indian Nation of New York Fee-to-Trust Request.

120. A copy of the Report of the New York State Commission on Local Government Efficiency & Competitiveness with regard to the 21st Century Local Government, April 2008 Issue.

121. A copy of the Seneca County Division of Human Services 2007 Annual Report.

122. A copy of minutes of the May 21, 2008 meeting of the Seneca County Board of Health.

123. A copy of minutes of the May 20, 2008 meeting of the Seneca County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs, Inc.

124. A copy of minutes of the May 1, 2008 meeting of the Seneca County Industrial Development Agency.

125. A letter from Melanie Wickham, Show Manager for the Empire Farm Days, dated May 2008 requesting that the requirements of the local law for mass gatherings be waived for Empire Farm Days on August 5, 6, and 7. Referred to the Government Operations Committee

RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVE CONTRACT WITH C & S COMPANIES FOR  
OBSERVATION OF CONSTRUCTION OF SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS  
AT FINGER LAKES REGIONAL AIRPORT**

RESOLUTION NO. 148-08, moved by Mr. Kaiser, seconded by Mr. Davidson and adopted by 650 ayes (Kaiser, Davidson, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Dresser, Same, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Mooney, Westfall) and 100 absentees (Hayssen, Shipley).

WHEREAS, the County has awarded bids for Security Improvements including Installation of Fencing and Gates to Gudabi, Inc. for the sum of \$198,078.00; and

WHEREAS, the proposal by C&S Companies for Observation of Construction, as required by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), is \$26,648; and

WHEREAS, one hundred percent (100%) of the cost will be covered by New York State Department of Transportation (Project #3911.81); and

WHEREAS, this resolution was recommended by the Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Committee on May 27, 2008; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the Construction Observation Contract for Security Improvements including the Installation of Fencing and Gates to C&S Companies for the sum of \$26,648; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign the contract with C&S Companies upon review and approval of said Contract by the Seneca County Attorney; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign documents as may be required by the New York State Department of Transportation for Receipt of Funds for Project #3911.81 upon review by the County Attorney.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVE CONTRACT WITH C&S COMPANIES FOR  
OBSERVATION OF CONSTRUCTION FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF AIRPORT  
TIE DOWNS AT FINGER LAKES REGIONAL AIRPORT**

RESOLUTION NO. 149-08, moved by Mr. Kaiser, seconded by Mr. Mooney and adopted by 650 ayes (Kaiser, Mooney, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Davidson, Dresser, Same, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Westfall) and 100 absentees (Hayssen, Shipley).

WHEREAS, the County has awarded the bid for the Replacement of Tie Downs to Paul Vitale, Inc. of Auburn, New York, for \$29,100; and

WHEREAS, the proposal by C&S Companies for Observation of Construction, as required by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), is \$19,970; and

WHEREAS, ninety percent (90%) of the cost will be covered by New York State Department of Transportation (Project #3911.80) and ten percent (10%) of the cost or \$19,970 is to be covered by Seneca County from the Airport Capital Account; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was recommended by the Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Committee on May 27, 2008; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the Construction Observation Contract for the Replacement of Airport Tie Downs to C&S Companies for \$19,970; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign the Contract with C&S Companies upon review and approval of said Contract by the Seneca County Attorney; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign documents as may be required by the New York State Department of Transportation for Receipt of Funds for Project #3911.80 upon review by the County Attorney.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVES SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION FOR NYS  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS PURCHASE OF  
DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS PROGRAM**

RESOLUTION NO. 150-08, moved by Mr. Kaiser, seconded by Dr. Dresser and adopted by 650 ayes (Kaiser, Dresser, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Davidson, Same, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Mooney, Westfall) and 100 absentees (Hayssen, Shipley).

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets has a program that purchases the development rights on prime farmland and these rights are then held by an organization such as the New York Agricultural Land Trust; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Agricultural Enhancement Board has received and reviewed farmer requests to be considered for this program; and

WHEREAS, many municipalities in Seneca County do not currently have in place plans with adequate farmland protection policies that would make them eligible to apply for this funding; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Planning, Development, Agriculture and Tourism Committee on May 13, 2008; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors states its intention to submit an application for the Purchase of Development Rights Program through the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Grant Writer be directed to work with Cornell Cooperative Extension in the preparation of the application; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board be authorized and directed to sign the application.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AWARDS BID TO SEALAND CONTRACTORS CORP FOR  
CONSTRUCTION OF CHADWICK ROAD RELOCATION AT  
FINGER LAKES REGIONAL AIRPORT**

RESOLUTION NO. 151-08, moved by Mr. Kaiser, seconded by Mr. Same and adopted by 650 ayes (Kaiser, Same, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Davidson, Dresser, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Mooney, Westfall) and 100 absentees (Hayssen, Shipley).

WHEREAS, the County has solicited bids for Construction of Chadwick Road Relocation at the Finger Lakes Regional Airport, and four (4) competitive bids were received and opened on May 2, 2008, and reviewed by C&S Companies on behalf of the County; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsive, responsible bidder being Sealand Contractors Corp. of Rush, NY for \$634,463.90; and

WHEREAS, ninety-five percent (95%) of the cost will be covered by the Federal Aviation Administration, two and one half percent (2.5%) of the cost will be covered by New York State Department of Transportation, and two and one half percent (2.5%) of the cost or \$15,861.60, is to be covered by Seneca County from the Airport Capital Account; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Committee on June 10, 2008; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors does hereby award the bid for Construction of the Chadwick Road Relocation to Sealand Contractors Corp., for the sum of \$634,463.90; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign the contract with Sealand Contractors Corp. of Rush, NY for the Construction of the Chadwick Road Relocation upon review of said contract by the Seneca County Attorney; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign documents as may be required by the Federal Aviation Administration, and the New York State Department of Transportation for Receipt of Funds for the Project upon review by the County Attorney.

**COUNTY MANAGER AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO SIGN LICENSE AGREEMENT  
WITH SENECA COUNTY IDA FOR OFFICE SPACE**

RESOLUTION NO. 152-08, moved by Mr. Kaiser, seconded by Mrs. Amidon and adopted by 650 ayes (Kaiser, Amidon, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Davidson, Dresser, Same, Lafler, Terryberry, Mooney, Westfall) and 100 absentees (Hayssen, Shipley).

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Industrial Development Agency (IDA) must vacate current office space in the Seneca County Office Building; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County IDA wishes to make improvements within the current “future space” of the Seneca County Office Building at the IDA’s expense; and

WHEREAS, Seneca County has prepared a revocable, non-exclusive License Agreement for the Seneca County IDA to access, occupy and maintain its new space; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Committee on June 10, 2008; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager is hereby authorized and directed to sign a License Agreement with the Seneca County IDA for office space in the Seneca County Office Building upon review and approval of the County Attorney.

**SENECA COUNTY TREASURER AUTHORIZED TO REIMBURSE SENECA COUNTY  
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR SALARY AND FRINGE BENEFITS FOR  
SENECA COUNTY IDA PROFESSIONAL STAFF**

RESOLUTION NO. 153-08, moved by Mr. Kaiser, seconded by Mr. Mooney and adopted by 650 ayes (Kaiser, Mooney, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Davidson, Dresser, Same, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Westfall) and 100 absentees (Hayssen, Shipley).

WHEREAS, Seneca County is desirous of continuing an aggressive economic development program to promote the retention, expansion and attraction of business in the community; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Industrial Development Agency (IDA) is organized for the promotion and facilitation of economic development within the county and currently engages staff and consultants to carry-out its mission; and

WHEREAS, Section 852 of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York does authorize the County to appropriate funds for the purpose of encouraging industrial and economic development within the county, and said funds are not to exceed \$105,000 which are to be taken from the Economic Development and Planning 2008 Budget, account #10-135-5-8020-4-740 (IDA / Marketing Strategies); and

WHEREAS, this resolution was recommended by the Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Committee on June 10, 2008; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Seneca County Treasurer to reimburse the Seneca County IDA for salary and fringe benefits for the Seneca County IDA Executive Director/Interim Executive Director in an amount not to exceed \$105,000 for 2008 calendar year (to be drawn in periodic payments) and said funds to be taken from ED&P 2008 Budget, account #10-135-5-8020-4-740 (IDA / Marketing Strategies).

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND SENECA COUNTY  
SHERIFF TO SIGN 2008 PRISONER HOUSING CONTRACT  
WITH ONTARIO COUNTY JAIL**

RESOLUTION NO. 154-08, moved by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Dr. Dresser and adopted by 650 ayes (Davidson, Dresser, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Kaiser, Same, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Mooney, Westfall) and 100 absentees (Hayssen, Shipley).

WHEREAS, the Contract for the housing from time to time of Seneca County prisoners in the Ontario County Jail is subject to annual renewal for the year 2008; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the terms and conditions of said Contract, Seneca County agrees to pay the Ontario County Sheriff the sum of \$85.00 per day for the maintenance of each person so transferred and confined in the Ontario County Jail for each day or part thereof that such person shall be an inmate of the Ontario County Jail; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety and Jail Construction Committee recommended the annual renewal of said Contract with Ontario County and the Ontario County Sheriff; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors and the Seneca County Sheriff are hereby authorized and directed to sign said Contract for the housing from time to time of Seneca County prisoners in the Ontario County Jail.

Mr. Davidson made a motion for a board resolution authorizing the Sheriff's Office to enter into an agreement with the National Forest Service for Cooperative Forest Patrol. Mr. Same seconded the motion.

A discussion ensued with Mr. Kaiser stating his opposition to the resolution because the reimbursement offered for Seneca County's services isn't enough compensation for the amount of land that is taken off the tax rolls when designated as national forest land.

Mr. Davidson agreed with Mr. Kaiser and said he would be voting against the resolution. He said much of the land that is taken off the tax rolls is in the Town of Lodi.

Mrs. Amidon was opposed to the resolution stating that if the USDA Forest Service and Finger Lakes National Forest had funds to reimburse the County for security services, they should have money to reimburse land owners.

Chairman Lafler said he supported the resolution only because of the security issue.

**SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO NATIONAL FOREST PATROL  
COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT (DEFEATED)**

RESOLUTION NO. 154a-08, moved by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Same and defeated by 366 nays (Davidson, Kaiser, Reynolds, Barto, Terryberry, Amidon, Mooney), 284 ayes (Serven, Dresser, Same, Lafler, Westfall), and 100 absentees (Hayssen, Shipley).

WHEREAS, the cooperative Law Enforcement Agreement between Seneca County on behalf of the Seneca County Sheriff's Office (SCSO) and the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service and Finger Lakes Nation Forest provides for reimbursement to SCSO to patrol the National Forest Service lands, roads and trails located in the southern end of Seneca County, and

WHEREAS, the maximum reimbursement amount for 2008 is \$2,500.00 at a reimbursement rate of \$50.00 per hour of patrol which covers the cost of the vehicle and deputy. The 50 hours of patrol pursuant to this agreement are assigned on the weekends for four (4) hour shifts and are in addition to the regular road patrol, and

WHEREAS, the National Forest offers various recreational opportunities, including camping, and is heavily used during the summer and early fall. The proposed agreement allows the SCSO to supplement the south end patrol at a time when there is an increase in the number of individuals using the National Forest and it also helps supplement the deputies income at no cost to the county, and

WHEREAS, Seneca County has had this same cooperative agreement with the National Forest in the past, and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee has approved the proposed agreement, Now, Therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Sheriff's Department enters into the proposed agreement with the National Forest Service for Cooperative Forest Patrol and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby directed and authorized the Chairman to execute a contract memorializing such agreement.

**SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZED TO ENTER INTO LAW ENFORCEMENT  
INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT FOR SPECIAL DETAIL DEPUTIES PERFORMING  
MUTUAL AID POLICE DUTIES IN SCHUYLER COUNTY**

RESOLUTION NO. 155-08, moved by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Mooney and adopted by 650 ayes (Davidson, Mooney, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Dresser, Kaiser, Same, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Westfall) and 100 absentees (Hayssen, Shipley).

WHEREAS, GML Section 209 et seq. authorizes the use of out of county deputies under duly authorized and declared emergency circumstances; and

WHEREAS, Article 5 of the GML permits municipalities to enter cooperative agreements for the provision of various services and activities; and

WHEREAS, the Fair Labor Standards Act (29 USC Section 207) provides that public safety employees on voluntary special detail assignment to a separate and independent employer are exempt from aggregate hours provision which would otherwise apply; and

WHEREAS, NYS AG Informal Op #98-53 reviewed and approved the use of intermunicipal agreements under the circumstances contemplated herein; and

WHEREAS, the County of Schuyler reasonable anticipates regularly recurring emergency situations throughout the auto racing season due to the crowds, traffic volume and related consequences attributable to the large crowds attracted to race events at Watkins Glen International in the town of Dix, Schuyler County, New York; and

WHEREAS, the resources of the Schuyler County Sheriff's Offices are inadequate to address the situations of this magnitude; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign a contract with the County of Schuyler and the Schuyler County Sheriff's Department for services provided to the Schuyler County Sheriff's Department during the racing season at a rate of \$24.00 per hour in 2008 and agencies will be reimbursed \$30.00 per day per vehicle for all vehicles used at the track.

**TREASURER AUTHORIZED TO AMEND 2008 SENECA COUNTY HIGHWAY BUDGET  
FOR INCREASED CHIPS FUNDING**

RESOLUTION NO. 156-08, moved by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mrs. Amidon and adopted by 650 ayes (Davidson, Amidon, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Dresser, Kaiser, Same, Lafler, Terryberry, Mooney, Westfall) and 100 absentees (Hayssen, Shipley).

WHEREAS, the County has received official notification that \$854,270 in Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) funding will be available to the Seneca County Highway Department for capital improvements; and

WHEREAS, the amount of \$739,779 had been appropriated in the 2008 Road and Bridge Construction budget; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Department building is in need of insulation and replacement of some windows which would be funded from Road and Bridge Account 5112.4280 (Projects); and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee approved these amendments on May 27, 2008; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to amend the 2008 Seneca County Highway Road and Bridge Construction budget as follows:

Increase Revenue Account 3193.3500 CHIPS Capital – \$114,491

Add Account 5112.4280 Projects - \$25,000

Increase Account 5112.4201 County Machinery Rental - \$25,000

Increase Account 5112.2000 County Road Construction - \$64,491

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT AUTHORIZED TO REFILL  
SEASONAL LABORER POSITIONS**

RESOLUTION NO. 157-08, moved by Mr. Davidson, seconded by Mr. Westfall and adopted by 650 ayes (Davidson, Westfall, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Dresser, Kaiser, Same, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Mooney) and 100 absentees (Hayssen, Shipley).

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Highway Department has previously utilized seasonal laborers during the road construction season to assist with maintenance and construction duties; and

WHEREAS, the positions conform to the current hiring policy; and

WHEREAS, these positions are funded through the Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) – Highway Road and Bridge Construction Account 5112.1200; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee approved this request on May 27, 2008; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize the Seneca County Highway Superintendent to refill up to four (4) seasonal laborer positions for a total cost not to exceed \$11,000 with funding to come from Highway Road and Bridge Construction Account 5112.1200.

New Business

Mr. Kaiser requested a recess in order for the Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Committee to hold a meeting. Chairman Lafler recessed the board meeting.

The board reconvened. Mr. Kaiser made a motion to suspend the rules of order to introduce a resolution. Mrs. Amidon seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

**APPOINTMENT OF C. MITCHELL ROWE**

**AS DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

RESOLUTION NO. 158-08, moved by Mr. Kaiser, seconded by Dr. Dresser and adopted by 650 ayes (Kaiser, Dresser, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Davidson, Same, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Mooney, Westfall) and 100 absentees (Hayssen, Shipley).

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors has been in search of a Director of Planning and Community Development; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors directed the Personnel Officer to do a search for qualified candidates; and

WHEREAS, C. Mitchell Rowe was recommended by the search committee to the Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Committee recommended that C. Mitchell Rose be appointed as the Director of Planning & Community Development; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors appoints C. Mitchell Rowe as the Director of Planning and Community Development effective July 2, 2008 at an annual salary of \$69,173 and be provided with the standard benefit package.

Chairman Lafler recognized Dr. Dresser, who said he would be seeking authorization to attend the NACo Annual Conference in Missouri in early July. Dr. Dresser explained that because County Policy stated that any travel outside of New York State required approval from the County Manager, the Board of Supervisors subcommittee, specifically Government Operations, and the Personnel & Technology Committee; he wanted to let the supervisors know he would be seeking approval at the June 24 meetings. Because he needed to move forward to make arrangements for the conference and with an airline, and to avoid premature reservations that would need to be canceled without a monetary refund, he wanted to get an idea of any objection that may be made for his travel.

Mr. Barto said that a board resolution was required for out-of-state travel.

Chairman Lafler called a recess of the board meeting so the subcommittees for Personnel & Technology could meet to discuss Dr. Dresser's request to attend the NACo conference.

The Board of Supervisors reconvened. The following resolution was brought to the floor on motion and carried.

**AUTHORIZATION FOR DAVID DRESSER TO ATTEND NACo ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
JULY 11 – 15, 2008 IN KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI**

RESOLUTION NO. 159-08, moved by Mr. Same, seconded by Mr. Mooney and adopted by 599 ayes (Same, Mooney, Reynolds, Barto, Serven, Davidson, Kaiser, Lafler, Terryberry, Amidon, Westfall), 51 abstentions (Dresser), and 100 absentees (Hayssen, Shipley).

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes travel and expenses associated with said travel by David Dresser, Supervisor, to the 2008 Annual NACo Conference & Exposition on July 11 – 15, 2008 in Kansas City, Missouri.

Special Order of the Day

There was no other business before the Board and meeting was adjourned.