

Seneca County Board Of Supervisors

Ovid Meeting

October 14, 2014

Call to Order

Chairman Hayssen called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Roll Call of Members by the Clerk

All members of the Board of Supervisors answered roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Presentations:

Courthouse Construction Project Update - John Snyder Architect. Mr. Snyder presented updates to the project including color scheme samples for tile and paint; surface finishes. Concerns from the board members included an opening in the back wall to provide natural light and overlooking the inmate transport area and the air intake equipment positioned on the roof of the building. Mr. Snyder said he would tweak the design to address the concerns.

The board considered introducing a motion for a resolution authorizing the project to go out to bid, but decided to wait for the final design drawings and costs for the project. Mr. Snyder said he hoped to have the information for the Public Works Committee in two weeks.

STEPS Program Update - Theresa Lahr, Project Coordinator. Seneca Towns Engaging People for Solutions (STEPS). The program's mission is to improve the health of the community and building a health environment. The residents of the Towns of Cover, Lodi, Ovid and Romulus are involved in this program (*handout included herewith*).

Libraries Update - Shannon O'Connor, Director of the Edith B. Ford Library in Ovid, NY. The five libraries in Seneca County provides access to information and programs to inspire lifelong learning for the cultural, educational, and professional enrichment of our community. Last year, 142,791 patrons walked through the doors of Seneca County libraries (*handout included herewith*).

Submission of Claims for Audit

RESOLVED, that said bills having gone through the proper auditing process were approved for payment:

Supervisors vouchers	totaling	\$	799,101.73
Workforce Development vouchers	totaling	\$	24,942.70
Self-Insurance vouchers	totaling	\$	1,636.40
County Airport vouchers	totaling	\$	28,508.16
Highway Department vouchers			

Maintenance & County Road (Fund 40)	totaling	\$	793,274.36
Road Machinery (Fund 50)	totaling	\$	70,851.06
	Highway Total	\$	864,125.42
Water	totaling	\$	24,056.10
Sewer 1	totaling	\$	16,274.63
Sewer 2	totaling	\$	33,596.18
Airport Capital Project vouchers	totaling	\$	12,871.79

Reports of Standing Committees

Public Health Committee - Mr. McGreevy, Chairman. The Committee reviewed the following issues and recommended a board resolution: (1) authorizing the Chairman of the Board to sign the NYS Contract for Early Intervention Program funding; (2) authorizing the renewal of the contract for transportation services for the Early Intervention and 3-5 Programs with Durham School Services of Syracuse, NY, for a 12 month period beginning June 30, 2014 through June 30, 2015

Public Safety Committee - Mr. Reynolds, Chairman. The Committee reviewed the following issues and recommended a board resolution: (1) authorizing the Board of Supervisors Chairman to sign the grant documents for the County to receive the Alternatives to Incarceration funding; (2) to create a new position full-time for Clerk in the LEC medical division funded by the Sheriff's medical division budget; (3) authorizing the installation of the Black Creek upgrade to the security system at the LEC with a 7-year lease payment agreement. The Committee also approved refilling the position for an Assistant District Attorney. The position was vacated due to retirement.

Indian Affairs Committee - Mr. Shipley, Chairman. The Committee held a meeting prior to the board meeting. As a result of that meeting, a resolution will be on the evening's agenda, calling upon Senators Gillibrand and Schumer and Congressman Reed, to introduce and support federal legislation designed to permit the collection of lawfully due municipal taxes on Indian owned real property.

Human Services Committee - Mr. Lazzaro, Chairman. The Committee reviewed the following issues and recommended a board resolution: (1) authorizing the Chairman of the Board to sign an agreement with Bonadio & Co. for account and fraud-related services with the Division of Human Services. The agreement will have a rate of pay of, \$150.00 per hour, up to \$10,000.00; (2) authorizing a contract with FLCC for education coordinator services. The contract will not exceed \$67,579.00; (3) authoring the 2014 Resource Allocation Plan for State Aid Funding for Youth Programs and authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign the Resource Allocation Plan documents for 2014; (4) Create and fill one permanent Caseworker position effective January 1, 2015; and to create and fill one permanent Family Aide position effective January 1, 2015.

Public Works Committee - Mr. Kaiser, Chairman. The Committee reviewed and recommended a board resolution authoring the Snow & Ice Agreement with NYS DOT for the 2014 /2015 season and a board resolution authorizing the Facilities Department of install new appliances at the Papa Bear Building. The Friends of the Three Bears purchased the appliances.

Government Operations Committee - Mr. Westfall, Chairman. The Committee approved amendments proposed to the Employee Recognition Policy and recommended a board resolution eliminating the Employee of the Quarter Award Program and open up recognition to an unlimited number of employees who go above and beyond the job duties for the betterment of Seneca County.

Finance, Assessment & Insurance Committee - Mr. Prouty, Chairman. The Committee approved budget amendments over \$1,000 and recommended a board resolution authorizing the county treasurer to proceed with the amendments.

Communications:

106. From Donna Conley, resident, Seneca County, a letter dated September 12, 2014, urging the Board of Supervisors to “hire a new attorney that has a proven record on dealing with Indian issues”.

107. From Harry and Connie Eno, residents, Seneca County, referring to legal representation of the county in Indian affairs, a letter urging the Board of Supervisors to hire “Paul Clement to represent us in our appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court”

108. From Michael J. Cavanaugh, resident, Clifton Park, NY, an email urging the Board of Supervisors “to open the depot track for public torus to view the military history and the Seneca White Deer”.

109. From Dennis Money, president, Seneca White Deer, copies of nine online inquiries, from the Seneca White Deer website, seeking information on the tours to view the white deer and learn the history of the army depot.

110. From Stephen J. Acquario, Executive Director, NYSAC, a copy of a letter to US EPA Administrator McCarthy and U.S. Army Secretary McHugh, urging the withdrawal of the proposed changes to the definition of the Waters of the U.S. under the Clean Water Act (Docket No. EPA-HQ-2011-0880).

111. A copy of Wayne County Resolution No. 450-14, Opposing the Implementation of International Joint Commission (IJC) Plan 2014 which will cause Catastrophic Damage to the Lake Ontario shoreline in Wayne County and Damage the Economic Vitality of Wayne County and Requesting Federal Elected and Appointed Officials to Assist with Opposing the Adoption and Implementation of Plan 2014.

112. A copy of Yates County Resolution No. 225-14, Recognizing New York State’s First Invasive Species Awareness Week.

113. A copy of Ontario County Resolution No. 549-2014, Proclaiming October 2014 as Anti-Bullying Awareness Month.

114. Copy of Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council June 12, 2014 meeting minutes.

115. Copy of Seneca County IDA August 176, 2014 meeting minutes.

116. Copy of Inter County Association of Western New York August 15, 2014 meeting minutes.

117. Copy of Seneca County Board of Health September 17, 2014 meeting minutes.

118. From Nicole Backhaus, Director, SCHS, Agri-Business Child Development ABCD at Seneca Falls~Seneca County Head Start, a letter dated September 17, 2014, urging the Board of Supervisors to approve the request for increased funding for Seneca County Cornell Cooperative Extension for the 2015 budget.

119. From Trilby de Jung, Chief Executive Officer, Finger Lakes Health System, a request for inclusion of \$8,336 in funding for the Finger Lakes Health Systems Agency in the 2015 budget. This funding is included in the Public Health Department budget.

120. From the five public libraries in Seneca County, a request for 2015 funding for \$50,594 allocated to the five libraries. Referred to the Finance Committee and County Manager to be considered during the 2015 budget preparation.

RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZE AMENDMENTS TO 2014 SENECA COUNTY BUDGET

RESOLUTION NO. 217-14 moved by Mr. Prouty, second by Mr. Kubasik and adopted.

WHEREAS, amendments to the 2014 Seneca County Budget are necessary and appropriate; and

WHEREAS, funding is available in the object codes identified herein; and

WHEREAS, these amendments have been reviewed and approved by the Finance, Assessment and Insurance Committee at its meeting on September 23, 2014; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes the following amendments to the 2014 Seneca County Budget:

COMMUNITY COUNSELING CENTER

Decrease:	104320-54560 (Insurance)	\$2,500.00
Increase:	104320-54410 (Car Repair)	\$2,500.00

E911

Decrease:	103020-51100 (Salaries)	\$25,000.00
Increase:	103020-51300 (Overtime)	\$25,000.00

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Decrease:	101680-51100 (IT Salaries)	\$1,909.24
Increase:	101680-51400 (IT Severance)	\$1,909.24

SHERIFF ROAD PATROL

Decrease:	103020-51100 (Sheriff Road Patrol Salaries)	\$1,542.79
Increase:	103020-51400 (Sheriff Road Patrol Severance)	\$1,542.79

**SUPERVISORS REVISE POLICY NO. 105.101 "EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION PROGRAM"
FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY**

RESOLUTION NO. 218-14 moved by Mr. Westfall, second by Mr. Davidson and adopted.

RESOLVED, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors approves changes to the Seneca County Policy Manual, 105.101 to read as follows:

PURPOSE

The Employee Recognition Program was created to recognize excellence in the areas of quality service, process improvement, teamwork, and to acknowledge long standing commitment to Seneca County.

GUIDELINES

Each employee who works a regular full time or part time work schedule will be awarded a Seneca County Service Award and Certificate of Appreciation after five years of service, and after each five subsequent years of service. These employees will be recognized and presented with these awards at a public meeting which is to include members of the Board of Supervisors.

Additionally, employees and members of the public are encouraged to acknowledge employees who exhibit the following:

Shows commitment to service and to serving the Seneca County Community or Organization.

Sustains a high level of productivity and consistent quality of work.

Demonstrates a high degree of initiative in the performance of responsibilities.

Maintains, demonstrates and exhibits effective relationships with others.

Employees who portray these kinds of qualities may receive public recognition based on their achievements. If you know someone who has gone above and beyond their normal duties, please contact the employee's Department Head, Personnel Officer or County Manager.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZES SENECA COUNTY FACILITIES DEPARTMENT
TO INSTALL APPLIANCES THREE BEARS COMPLEX**

RESOLUTION NO. 219-14 moved by Mr. Kaiser, second by Mr. Shipley and adopted.

WHEREAS, Dan Motill, President of the Friends of the Three Bears, would like to upgrade the appliances at the Three Bears complex; and

WHEREAS, the appliances will be purchased by the Friends of the Three Bears at no cost to the County and ask assistance from the Seneca County Maintenance Department with the installation and minor changes, if necessary, allowing the new appliances to fit; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee approved this resolution at a meeting on September 23, 2014; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorizes the Friends of the Three Bears to purchase the new appliances and the Seneca County Facilities Department is hereby authorized to assist with the installation to include minor carpentry changes if needed.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AUTHORIZED TO SIGN SNOW AND ICE AGREEMENT

RESOLUTION NO. 220-14 moved by Mr. Prouty, second by Mr. Kubasik and adopted.

WHEREAS, the New York State Commissioner of Transportation and Seneca County have entered into an Agreement No. D089860 entitled “Snow and Ice Agreement between the New York State Department of Transportation and Seneca County”; and

WHEREAS, the term of said Agreement is for a period of three years commencing March 11, 1975 and the said Agreement provides that the parties may, at the end of each year of the term of the Agreement, extend such term for an additional year; and

WHEREAS, this agreement has been regularly extended since the original term; and

WHEREAS, the present term of the Agreement, as extended, expires June 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Section 7 of the said agreement provides that the Commissioner of Transportation shall furnish the County with a map for each term of the Agreement or for any extended term thereof, modified to show the changes, if any, to the State Highways affected by this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Section 10 of the said Agreement provides for an annual update of the estimated expenditure to be determined by the Commissioner subject to the provisions of Section 10 at the time for extension of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee approved extending this agreement on September 23, 2014; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the aforementioned “Snow and Ice Agreement Between New York State Department of Transportation and the County of Seneca” is hereby extended for a period of one year, now to expire June 30, 2015, unless further extended; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign an agreement on behalf of the County of Seneca with the New York State Department of Transportation to extend the Municipal Snow and Ice Agreement for the 2014/2015 season.

SENECA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CALLS UPON FEDERAL REPRESENTATIVES TO PROPOSE AND SUPPORT LEGISLATION TO PERMIT COLLECTION OF LAWFULLY DUE TAXES ON INDIAN TRIBAL PROPERTIES

RESOLUTION NO. 221-14 moved by Mr. Shipley, second by Mr. Kubasik and adopted.

WHEREAS, the United State Supreme Court affirmed in its decision in City of Sherrill v. Oneida Indian Nation, 544 U.S. 197 that real property taxes imposed on property owned by Indian tribes but over which the tribe may not exercise sovereign control are justly and lawfully due and owing; and

WHEREAS, this ruling has been held to be applicable in New York to both the Oneida Indian Tribe in the City of Sherrill decision and to the Cayuga tribe in Cayuga Indian Nation v. Village of Union Springs, 390 F.Supp2d 203; and

WHEREAS, despite these rulings, the Second Circuit Court of Appeals has determined that although these taxes are justly and lawfully due by the tribe, municipalities are prohibited from collecting such taxes by tribal sovereign immunity; and

WHEREAS, these rulings have been held to be applicable to properties in Madison County owned by the Oneida Indian tribe in Oneida Indian Nation v. Madison County, 605 F3d 149 and to properties owned by the Cayuga Indian tribe in Seneca County in Cayuga Indian Nation v. Seneca County, (decided July 31, 2014, Docket No. 12-3723); and

WHEREAS, the injustice and incongruity of these decisions prompted Hon. José Cabrenas to comment in his concurring opinion in Oneida v. Madison Co.: “The holding in this case comes down to this: an Indian tribe can purchase land (including land that was never part of a reservation); refuse to pay lawfully-owed taxes; and suffer no consequences because the taxing authority cannot sue to collect the taxes owed. This rule of decision defies common sense. *But absent action by our highest Court, or by Congress, it is the law.*” (Id, at 163) (emphasis added); and

WHEREAS, the decisions in City of Sherrill and the Madison County and Seneca County cases result in a right on the part of New York State municipalities to impose real property taxes on non-sovereign Indian tribal holdings while denying any remedy upon the refusal of those tribes to pay the lawfully due tax; and

WHEREAS, as stated by eminent jurist Hon. John Marshall, Chief Justice of the United State Supreme Court, “The Government of the United State has been emphatically termed a government of laws and not of men. It will certainly cease to deserve this high appellation if the laws furnish no remedy for the violation of a vested legal right” Marbury v. Madison, 5 U.S. 137 at 163; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been approved by the Indian Affairs Committee of the Seneca County Board of Supervisors; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, the people of Seneca County, through their duly elected representatives on the Board of Supervisors, call upon Senators Kirsten Gillibrand and Charles Schumer and Rep. Tom Reed to introduce and/or support Federal legislation designed to permit collection of lawfully due municipal taxes on Indian owned real property; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board is directed to forward copies of this Resolution to the legislatures and Boards of Supervisors of each of New York State's Counties and to the New York State Association of Counties; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board is directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to Senators Gillibrand and Schumer and to Congressman Tom Reed.

**SUPERVISORS CREATE/FILL (1) FULL TIME CLERK POSITION AT
THE SENECA COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER MEDICAL DIVISION
EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY**

RESOLUTION NO. 222-14, moved by Mr. Reynolds, second by Mr. Davidson and adopted by 693 ayes and 57 nays (Kubasik).

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee has approved the creation/filling of (1) full-time Clerk position at their last committee meeting on September 23, 2014; and

WHEREAS, funding for this position is included in the 2014 budget; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby create and authorize filling of (1) full-time Clerk position effective immediately at an hourly rate as set forth in the SCSEA Contract.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACCEPTS ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION GRANT
FROM NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES**

RESOLUTION NO. 223-14 moved by Mr. Reynolds, second by Mr. Shipley and adopted.

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services has awarded Seneca County a \$5,843 grant through the 2014-15 Alternatives to Incarceration Program for the purpose of providing quality, successful, and effective community service programs as alternatives to incarceration; 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, this request was reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Committee of the Board of Supervisors at a meeting on September 23, 2014; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign all necessary paperwork to accept the Alternatives to Incarceration Grant.

**UPGRADE BLACK CREEK SECURITY SYSTEM IN SENECA COUNTY LAW
ENFORCEMENT CENTER CORRECTION FACILITY**

RESOLUTION NO. 224-14 moved by Mr. Reynolds, second by Mr. Kubasik and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Sheriff has requested approval to enter into an agreement with Black Creek Integrated Systems Corporation to upgrade the Touchscreen Control/Digital Video and Security System that has been in use since prior to the opening of the Correctional Facility in June 2007; and

WHEREAS, the Black Creek system currently installed and in operation at the LEC functions as the security system for our jail involving the operation and digital recording of 109 cameras located throughout the facility as well as the touchscreen controlled security system which remotely controls all entrances into the jail facility; and also exchanges information to and from the records management system (Sally-port); and

WHEREAS, the cost of the upgrade has been quoted by Black Creek at \$234,740.00, with an additional annual maintenance fee of \$48,052.00 after year one; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee, on September 23, 2014, determined that a seven year lease program was the most advantageous way of purchasing this upgrade; and

WHEREAS, the annual cost of the lease for a seven year period is determined to be \$38,175.56 with the additional maintenance fee of \$48,052.00 for the second thru seventh year for a total seven year fee of \$555,540.92; and

WHEREAS, on September 23, 2014, the Public Safety Committee approved the purchase of the Black Creek upgrade and approved the financing of the purchase using the option of the seven year lease plan; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approves the purchase of the Black Creek Touchscreen Control/Digital Video and Security System to be financed through the Seneca County Sheriff's Jail Facility's budget process over a seven year period starting in January 2015 and to include the yearly maintenance fee starting in January 2016 from budget line 103150-54700.

**SENECA COUNTY ACCEPTS CONTRACT FOR 2013 STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT
TERRORISM PREVENTION PROGRAM GRANT**

RESOLUTION NO. 225-14 moved by Mr. Reynolds, second by Mr. Davidson and adopted.

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) has awarded Seneca County \$15,000 in State Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program grant funds for the purpose of providing wireless mobile data connection service to the police departments in the Town of Seneca Falls and Villages of Interlaken and Waterloo; and

WHEREAS, the grant provides 100% of the funding for project equipment and associated costs with no local cash match requirement; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Committee on December 17, 2013; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign any and all documents necessary to apply for, accept the grant contract, and administer the grant contract for \$15,000 in funding through the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services' 2013 State Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program, subject to approval of the Seneca County Attorney; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to amend the 2014 budget as follows:

Add Revenue:	10-319-3-3306	+ \$ 15,000
Add Expense:	10-110-5-3113-2813	+ \$ 15,000

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

RESOLUTION NO. 226-14 moved by Mr. McGreevy, second by Mr. Churchill and adopted.

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health has awarded the Seneca County Health Department \$18,088 for the period October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015 for the administration of the Early Intervention Program; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Chairman of the Board to sign the contract the receive the funding; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Committee has approved this grant; 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 Early Intervention Administration Grant.

**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO SIGN
CONTRACT RENEWAL FOR THE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR THE
EARLY INTERVENTION AND 3-5 PROGRAMS**

RESOLUTION NO. 227-14 moved by Mr. McGreevy, second by Mr. Lazzaro and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Health Department currently has a contract with Durham School Services, 6730 Pickard Street, Syracuse, New York 14424 to provide transportation services for the Early Intervention and 3-5 Programs; and

WHEREAS, the current contract needs to be renewed; and

WHEREAS, the County has the right to renew this contract by Board resolution for an additional 12 month period; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to sign this contract;

WHEREAS, the money for this contract is included in the Public Health budget 104147 and 104149; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Committee has approved this contract renewal; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign the contract renewal with Durham School Services to exercise the county's right of renewal.

**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO SIGN
A CONTRACT WITH LAUREN TAYLOR FOR THE PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAM**

RESOLUTION NO. 228-14 moved by Mr. McGreevy, second by Mr. Reynolds and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Health Department is required to contract with professionals to provide services for the children enrolled in the Pre-School Program; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for Speech Therapists to meet the demands in this program; and

WHEREAS, Heather Forsythe, Speech Therapist, Trumansburg, NY would like to contract with Seneca County to provide these services; and

WHEREAS, the money is in the Public Health Budget 104149; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Committee has authorized this contract; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign a contract with Lauren Taylor to provide services for the Pre-School Program.

**CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD TO SIGN AGREEMENT WITH BONADIO & CO.
FOR ACCOUNT AND FRAUD-RELATED SERVICES WITH THE
DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES**

RESOLUTION NO. 229-14, moved by Mr. Lazzaro, second by Mr. Davidson and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Division of Human Services would like to enter an agreement with Bonadio & Co., LLP, Certified Public Accountants; and

WHEREAS, Bonadio and Co. are certified public accountants who specialize in accounting and fraud-related issues; and

WHEREAS, the agreement will have a rate of pay of, \$150.00 per hour, up to \$10,000.00 and is budgeted under project account 106070-54700 POS52; and

WHEREAS, this agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Human Services Committee; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors authorizes the approval of the agreement with Bonadio & Co. for account and fraud-related services and the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is authorized and directed to sign the agreement with Bonadio & Co.

CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD TO SIGN THE SENECA COUNTY 2015 EDUCATION CONTRACT BETWEEN FINGER LAKES COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND SENECA COUNTY DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES FOR EDUCATION COORDINATOR SERVICES

RESOLUTION NO. 230-14, moved by Mr. Lazzaro, second by Mr. Earle and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Division of Human Services would like to enter into agreement with Finger Lakes Community College for the Employee Education and Training Program and Education Coordinator Services; and

WHEREAS, the contract with the community college supports both the education of individual workers and training within the organization; and

WHEREAS, the Education Coordinator will arrange for training that will help strengthen and develop workplace skills, community collaboration and efficiency; purchase training supplies and curriculum; provide assistance to the Division by facilitating registration into education and training opportunities to all DHS employees and other related agency staff; and assist the Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner in identifying and accessing training resources for the Division; and

WHEREAS, the primary function of this contract is to provide training and resources to DHS staff; and

WHEREAS, it also supports DHS employees opportunity to earn college credit toward completion of a College Certificate, Associate's, Bachelor's, or Master's degree, and attend in-service and non-credit training programs; and

WHEREAS, this contract will not exceed \$67,579.00 and is budgeted under project account 106010-54700 SS06 for 2015; and

WHEREAS, this agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Human Services Committee; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors authorizes the approval of the agreement Finger Lakes Community College for Education Coordinator Services and the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors would be authorized and directed to sign the agreement with Finger Lakes Community College.

2014 RESOURCE ALLOCATION PLAN FOR STATE AID FUNDING FOR YOUTH PROGRAMS

RESOLUTION NO. 231-14, moved by Mr. Lazzaro, second by Mr. Shipley and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Resource Allocation Plan is an annual plan that is submitted to the New York State Office of Children and Family Services to receive state aid funding for youth programs; and

WHEREAS, the Youth Bureau received their 2014 allocation and the Seneca County Youth Board approved the 2014 Resource Allocation Plan for State Aid at their September 22, 2014 Board Meeting; and

WHEREAS, this plan has been reviewed and approved by the Human Services Committee; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors authorizes the 2014 Resource Allocation Plan for State Aid Funding for Youth Programs and authorizes the Chairman of the Board to sign the Resource Allocation Plan documents for 2014.

SUPERVISORS CREATE/FILL (1) FAMILY AIDE POSITION EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2015
RESOLUTION NO. 232-14, moved by Mr. Lazzaro, second by Mr. Reynolds and adopted by 693 ayes and 57 nays (Kubasik).

WHEREAS, Board Resolution #183-14 authorized the creation/filling of one temporary Family Aide position; and

WHEREAS, a need has been identified to fill said position on a permanent basis; and

WHEREAS, the Human Services Committee has approved the creation and filling of a permanent Family Aide position in the 2015 budget at their last committee meeting on September 24, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the funding for this position is included in the 2015 budget; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors does hereby create and authorize the filling of one Family Aide position in the 2015 budget.

SUPERVISORS CREATE/FILL (1) CASEWORKER POSITION EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2015
RESOLUTION NO. 233-14, moved by Mr. Lazzaro, second by Mr. Serven and adopted by 693 ayes and 57 nays (Kubasik).

WHEREAS, Board Resolution #111-14 authorized the creation/filling of one temporary Foster Care Caseworker position; and

WHEREAS, a need has been identified to fill said position on a permanent basis; and

WHEREAS, the Human Services Committee has approved the creation and filling of a permanent Foster Care Caseworker in the 2015 budget at their last committee meeting on September 24, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the funding for this position is included in the 2015 budget; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors does hereby create and authorize the filling of one Foster Care Caseworker position in the 2015 budget.

Unfinished Business

Application for Tax Benefits by Wilmorite on the Lago Casino Project: Mr. Churchill expressed concern regarding a recent application to the IDA by the developers of the proposed Lago Casino, for tax benefits. Mr. Churchill supports the Lago Casino one hundred percent, however, he believes granting tax

breaks is not appropriate for this project. Wilmorite approached Seneca County for the project. The IDA tax incentive program is a way for us to induce companies to come and build in Seneca County.

Chairman Hayssen recognized Mr. McGreevy, who agreed with Mr. Churchill's concern and said the citizen taxpayers of Seneca County are to be protected first and foremost. In a statement he read, Mr. McGreevy said "this project is on such a large scale and scope, that any possible "benefit" discussion needs to take place with a larger and more directly representative group than just the IDA" and "...would like the Seneca County Board of Supervisors to strongly request the IDA create a special "Taxpayer Protection Committee" to negotiate the terms of any "benefit" application made regarding the Lago Resort and Casino Project".

The IDA Board has already approved a preliminary inducement package and a public hearing will be scheduled. Mr. Lazzaro suggested that the IDA set the time of any public hearing during the evening hours instead of the usual morning hours. This way more people can will be able to attend the public hearing.

Mr. McGreevy said that Wilmorite has agreed to put a hold on its application for now. Initially Wilmorite moved quickly on the application to the IDA in order to move forward with financing as soon as the Gaming Facility Location Board awards the casino licenses.

As for the creation of a separate committee as suggested by Mr. McGreevy, Mr. Kaiser said that IDAs were designed to be independent of governing bodies so politics are involved.

On a motion by Mr. Lazzaro, second by Mr. Kubasik, the question was called and discussion ended.

Rule 29: Mr. McGreevy made a motion, seconded by Mr. Kubasik, and carried by 2/3 majority of supervisors present, to consider the following resolution without having it reviewed by the appropriate standing committee.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REQUEST THAT SENECA COUNTY IDA CREATE A SPECIAL
TAXPAYER PROTECTION COMMITTEE TO NEGOTIATE BENEFIT APPLICATION
REGARDING PROPOSED LAGO CASINO AND RESORT**

RESOLUTION NO. 234-14 moved by Mr. McGreevy, second by Mrs. Garlick Lorenzetti and adopted.

WHEREAS, the proposed Lago Casino project will be of great benefit to our collective community; and

WHEREAS, any conversation regarding tax benefits for this project has to, first and foremost, protect our citizen-taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, a recent application for possible IDA benefits related to this project creates great concern; and

WHEREAS, this project is on such a large scale and scope, that any possible “benefit” discussion needs to take place with a larger and more directly representative group than just the IDA membership; and

WHEREAS, in order to protect our taxpayers, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors strongly requests the IDA to create a special “Taxpayer Protection Committee” to negotiate the terms of any benefit application made regarding the Lago Resort and Casino Project; and

WHEREAS, this Taxpayer Protection Committee would be comprised of the Tyre Town Supervisor, the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, the Minority Leader of the Board of Supervisors, the County Manager, the Chairman of the IDA Board, the Vice-Chairman of the IDA Board and one additional IDA member chosen by the IDA Chairman; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby request that the Seneca County Industrial Development Agency create a Taxpayer Protection Committee, as outlined above; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the purpose of the Committee is to negotiate possible benefits for the Lago Resort and Casino Project with the interests of our citizen-taxpayers kept first and foremost; and be it further

RESOLVED, once negotiated by the Taxpayer Protection Committee, these terms would be adopted by the IDA Board without amendment.

New Business

Rule 29: Mr. Kaiser made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Garlick Lorenzetti, and carried by 2/3 majority of supervisors present, to consider the following resolution without having it reviewed by the appropriate standing committee.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZES COUNTY MANAGER TO MAKE APPLICATION TO AND ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH NYWARN

RESOLUTION NO. 235-14, moved by Mr. Kaiser, second by Mrs. Garlick Lorenzetti and adopted.

WHEREAS, water and wastewater systems provide our communities with clean water - a life-sustaining resource vitally important to maintaining public health, sanitation and safety; and

WHEREAS, when water and wastewater services are interrupted for long periods of time, a community's well-being quickly deteriorates, as evidenced by Hurricane Katrina. Without an adequate water supply, communities are vulnerable to devastating fires; and

WHEREAS, New York Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network (NYWARN) is a statewide Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network (WARN) of utilities that supports and promotes statewide emergency preparedness, disaster response, and mutual aid for public and private water and wastewater utilities; and

WHEREAS, by restoring water and wastewater service in the most efficient manner possible, NYWARN provides renewed hope for fast recovery from disasters and other emergencies; and

WHEREAS, NYWARN provides water and wastewater utilities with:

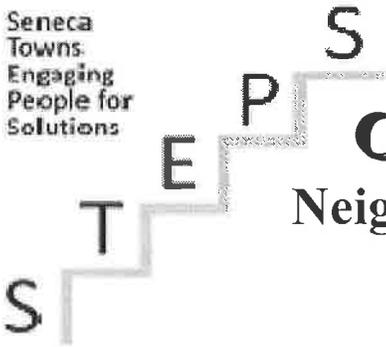
- A Mutual Aid Agreement and process for sharing emergency resources among water and wastewater agencies statewide
- A mutual assistance program consistent with other statewide mutual aid and assistance programs and the National Incident Management System
- The resources to respond and recover more quickly from a natural or human caused disaster
- A forum for developing and maintaining emergency contacts and relationships

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Manager is authorized to make application to the New York Water/Wastewater Agency Response Network (NYWARN) for Seneca County Water District 1 and Sewer Districts 1 & 2 and further directed to enter into an agreement with NYWARN if/when the aforementioned application is approved.

Special Order of the Day

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.



Covert, Lodi, Ovid and Romulus Neighborhood Health Improvement Project

Who?

All the residents (10,000+ people) of the Towns of Covert, Lodi, Ovid and Romulus will direct this project. This project is “resident-driven.” A Steering Committee with representatives of all four Towns help guide the project, and staff for the project work on behalf of the residents.

What?

An asset based project to improve the health of our residents. In the first year we are conducting an assessment of the Neighborhood assets that will be used to build a healthier environment.

Health is affected by many things including the economy, education levels, employment status, income, transportation, environment and housing. These factors are called the “social determinants” of health. In other words, when it comes to health, **where you live makes a difference.**

Lower income communities usually have low levels of education, high levels of poverty, and limited access to services and poorer health outcomes.

Where?

The Towns of Covert, Lodi, Ovid and Romulus were chosen as the “neighborhood” for this project. Residents in this area will work together to make a better south Seneca County.

When?

We began Phase I (December 1, 2013- November 30, 2014) by identifying the assets of the residents and the area. Assets can be used to make changes in the community that will benefit residents. This is called Asset-Based Community Development (ABCD)

❖ *Asset= benefit, advantage, positive feature, quality, skill, talent, ability*

What are the assets or strengths to be identified in Phase I?

Individuals (skills, knowledge and experience of the people in our community)

Associations (groups of volunteers, neighbors, friends)

Institutions (local public, private, non-profit organizations)

Physical (land, property, buildings, transportation)

Economic (businesses, jobs, income)

Cultural (history, community identity, traditions)

To see a copy of our assessment and asset map [click here](http://www.s2aynetwork.org/steps-assets.html) or paste <http://www.s2aynetwork.org/steps-assets.html> into your browser.

How?

By talking with as many groups of residents and surveying as many individual residents as possible, we will discover the strengths of the neighborhood that can help to develop the community and improve health outcomes of residents.

Additionally, all community members are invited to attend a monthly Community Conversation for the STEPS project, and to join a committee that matches their interest. For the remainder of 2014 meetings will be held:

- October 16th at 6pm at the Lodi Fire Department
- November 18th at 6pm in Covert, location TBD

Why?

Healthy communities lead to healthier residents. If the community is strong and vital the residents are more apt to be healthy.

What makes people healthy?

- Personal behavior (not smoking, eating healthy foods, physical activity)
- Social relationships (connections with friends, family, groups)
- Physical Environment (quality of housing, air, water, streets, sidewalks, etc.)
- Economics (employment status, level of income, education level)
- Access to medical care (Only 10%)

Have a great idea?

Each year the grant allows for five or more Resident Health Promotion Projects of up to \$1,000 each. No project is too small! These grants are for grass root ideas designed to make our community a better place to live. Applications are available from the staff or at <http://www.s2aynetwork.org/steps-opportunities.html>

How do I get involved or learn more?

There are opportunities for everyone to get involved.

Contact:

Theresa Lahr, Project Coordinator
mtlahr@gmail.com
315.651.9919 (cell)

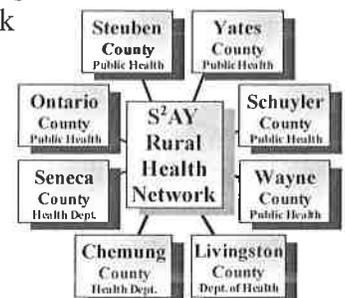
Cindy Cornelius, Outreach Coordinator
cindycornelius@msn.com
315.246.8688 (cell)

S.T.E.P.S.
c/o Ovid Community Health Center
7150 N. Main Street, PO Box 902 Ovid, NY 14521
607.403.0069 (Office)

Or go to the STEPS page at www.s2aynetwork.org to learn more and review Phase 1 Community Engagement and Assessment.



Thank you for taking an interest in the health of your neighborhood. A big thank you to the Greater Rochester Health Foundation for funding this project and the S²AY Rural Health Network who is sponsoring the STEPS project. They want to show that the health status of residents will, in fact, improve if the social determinants of health in their neighborhoods improve.





About Seneca Shares

LIBRARY USERS ARE *YOUR CONSTITUENTS!*

142,791

The number of patrons who walked through the doors of Seneca County Libraries in 2013

97 Per Week

The number of people per week that use Seneca Shares to search for and apply to jobs, create resumes and CVs and use job seeking databases.

128,453

The number of items checked out from Seneca Shares Libraries in 2013.

Your SENECA SHARES LIBRARIES
by the numbers.

October 8, 2014

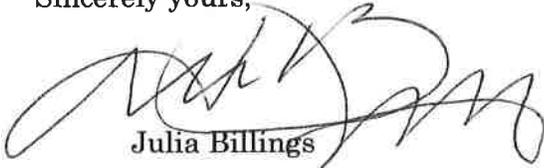
To the Ovid Library Community,

I'd like to express my gratitude and feelings to Shannon, Cady and Rebekah for all their hard work and dedication to the Ovid Library. They have always shown kindness, consideration, and helpfulness to me whenever I asked. They all have always been a huge help to me, especially help with the computers, something I didn't know too much about.

If not for each of them, I wouldn't have learned as much as I know now. For example, "how to create my resume" to getting the correct spelling by using "google" and much more. I feel each one of them is an asset to the public library, not only to me, but for the children and the general public. They are truly keepers to the community.

I want to show my appreciation by dedicating a Christmas wreath to the library and say thank you so much Shannon, Cady and Rebekah for your help! Couldn't have done it without all of you.

Sincerely yours,



Julia Billings

NEW BUSINESS:

Taxpayer Protection Committee

I believe the "Casino" project will be of great benefit to our collective community.

The recent application, for possible IDA "benefits" related to this project, is of great concern to me.

Any conversation regarding tax benefits for this project has to, first and foremost, protect our citizen-taxpayers.

I believe this project is on such a large scale and scope, that any possible "benefit" discussion needs to take place with a larger and more directly representative group than just the IDA membership.

Therefore, in order to protect our taxpayers, I would like the Seneca County Board of Supervisors to strongly request the IDA create a special "Taxpayer Protection Committee" to negotiate the terms of any "benefit" application made regarding the Lago Resort and Casino Project.

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I request that the Taxpayer Protection Committee, as outlined above, be tasked with negotiating any possible benefits for the Lago Resort and Casino Project with the interests of our citizen-taxpayers kept first and foremost.

Furthermore, once negotiated by the Taxpayer Protection Committee, these terms would be adopted by the IDA Board without amendment.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ronald F. McGreevy
Town of Tyre Supervisor