

Seneca County Board of Supervisors

Board Meeting

Tuesday, August 9, 2016

Call to Order

Chairman Westfall called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call of Members by the Clerk

Twelve members of the Board of Supervisors answered roll call. Sprvrs. Kaiser and Reynolds arrived after the roll call.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Presentations

Recognition by Scott LaVigne, Director of Seneca County Community Services – Sharon Pinckney, recently retired from Seneca County. She began her career with the county in 1984 as a probation officer. Since 1997 she has been working and serving the community as the Coordinator for the Witnesses, crime Victims and Victims of Domestic Violence program. Sharon Pinckney was named to the New York State Advisory Council to the Crime Victims Board. Director LaVigne said a space will be dedicated to her in the new mental health offices.

Petitioners

Jeff Case, Fire Coordinator – brought attention to the drought conditions in the county. NYS DEC included Seneca County on its Drought Warning list. There are no mandatory restrictions issued by the state, however, everyone should take precautions with open burning.

Dutton Andrews, resident, Town of Junius – appealed to the Board to find out why the county highway department continues to mow the area in front of his property on Whiskey Hill Road, when he has requested them not to mow every year for several years. Chairman Westfall referred his concern to the Public Works Committee.

Sprvr. Garlick Lorenzetti read a statement on behalf of one of her constituents, Brian Preston, expressing his concern that del Lago chose to have two employment opportunity informational meetings, with one location in Clyde, NY. He questioned why a location wasn't scheduled in the south end of the county; and to ensure that residents of Seneca County have the first opportunity for jobs at del Lago.

Sprvr. Garlick Lorenzetti stated that in response to Mr. Preston's concerns, she contacted Juris Basens, Asst. General Manager for del Lago, who was more than happy to schedule an informational meeting in the south end of the county. She asked for feedback for the best date, time and place, which will be announced when arranged.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

The minutes for the June 14 board meeting; July 12 board meeting; and July 26 Special board

meeting were approved.

Submission of Claims for Audit

Sprvr. Prouty moved that the following vouchers, having gone through the proper auditing process; be approved for payment.

Supervisors vouchers	totaling	\$	651,396.37
Workforce Development vouchers	totaling	\$	36,144.17
Self-Insurance vouchers	totaling	\$	19,408.24
County Airport vouchers	totaling	\$	12,407.59
Highway Transportation vouchers			
Maintenance & State Snow	totaling	\$	135,208.40
Highway Machinery	totaling	\$	18,565.73
	Highway Total	\$	153,774.13
Water 1	totaling	\$	3,318.79
Sewer 1	totaling	\$	14,440.95
Sewer 2	totaling	\$	29,260.25
Capital Project – Airport	totaling	\$	7,507.18
Capital Project – Building Courthouse	totaling	\$	42,191.36
Capital Project – County Road	totaling	\$	2,365.14
Capital Project – Water & Sewer Projects	totaling	\$	19,500.78
Capital Project – Radio	totaling	\$	4,900.00
Capital Project – Sewer 318	totaling	\$	2,200.00

Reports of Standing Committees

The following reports are from the July 26 committee meetings.

Public Health Services – Sprvr. McGreevy, Chairman. The committee approved resolutions for board consideration that will authorize a contract with Clean Harbors Environmental Services to help with the county’s household hazardous waste collection event; a resolution that will direct the county manager to sign a contract with S2AY Health Network for Finger Lakes Public Health Alliance membership. A position for a public health nurse was approved by the committee to refill. This position is critical for the provision of services and management of programs provided through the health department.

The committee approved a resolution for board consideration to bring awareness to individuals and their families who live with special needs. Adopting the “Think Differently” initiative is an important statement that our State and County officials, business owners and residents can make to show

their support for the differently-abled children and adults, and those living on the Autism Spectrum and with special needs.

Public Safety – Sprvr. Davidson, Chairman. The Sheriff’s Office was given authority by the committee to hire two part-time Sheriff Deputy Recruits to refill positions vacated due to an internal promotion and to retirement. The E911 Department is short-staffed by four dispatchers. The schedule has been adjusted avoid unnecessary overtime. Of the four dispatchers, two are receiving salary, one is on FMLA and the other is on worker’s comp.

Indian Affairs – Sprvr. Shipley, Chairman. Brian Laudadio, attorney with BS&K met with the committee and Sheriff Luce, District Attorney Porsch, IAC Advisor David Dresser, and members of the IAC Citizens Advisory Committee regarding an inquiry made by French Alcott law firm on what the position is of Seneca County regarding grant payments in lieu of taxes made by Cayuga Nation – Clint Halftown faction. It is important to note that no specific dollar amounts or time table schedule were included in the inquiry. The taxpayers of Seneca County deserve to collect the \$2 million back taxes incurred by Cayuga Nation; of which the local municipalities’ taxes for property and school have been made whole by the County. There will be no deal with Cayuga Nation until its leadership issue is resolved or the foreclosure issue is eventually decided by court action.

Sprvr. Shipley said there will be no deal with Cayuga Nation until its leadership issue is resolved and the foreclosure issue is settled in court.

Human Services – Sprvr. Lazzaro, Chairman. The committee approved refilling a position for one Aging Services Aide part-time for the Health Insurance Information Counseling Program in the Office for the Aging; and the committee approved refilling a position for one Social Welfare Examiner in Human Services. The Deputy Commissioner of Human Services, Peg Birmingham will be retiring, effective September 1, after 34 years of service with Seneca County.

Personnel – Sprvr. Lazzaro, Chairman. Since 2007, it has been a County practice, as a result of the “AMTEK” study, to increase the salary of management employees who completed five years in their current grade and step. This policy will be applied to the Deputy Director of Workforce, the Employee Benefits Assistance and the Prevention & Treatment Programs Director, effective January 1, 2017.

Mental Health Services – Sprvr. Hayssen, Chairman. The committee met with Director LaVigne who updated them on the Mental Hygiene Local Services Plan; an update on the opiate crisis in Seneca County; and information on Myths Surrounding Mental Health Illness and Violence.

Government Operations – Sprvr. Garlick Lorenzetti, Chairwoman. DMV has a position open for a Vehicle License Clerk, which the committee approved to refill. The position is full-time.

A request was received from the Board of Trustees of the George Eastman Museum, for a letter of support from Seneca County, for its grant application to the Finger Lakes Regional Economic

Development Council: “National Historic Landmark Restoration”.

Sprvr. Garlick Lorenzetti requested a monthly update from Peter Brown, who oversees the Codes Enforcement department, on the complaints received by Codes Enforcement.

Public Works – Sprvr. Trout, Chairman. Facilities was authorized to refill two part-time positions for Cleaner.

A Notice of Intent for Lead Agency was received from RGRTA for the RTS Seneca bus facility project. No objections were received from members of the Board of Supervisors.

At a special committee meeting on August 6, the committee voted in favor, 3-2, to move forward with a resolution authorizing Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc. to be contracted for the county fleet management.

Finance, Assessment & Insurance – Sprvr. Prouty, Chairman. The Worker’s Compensation budget is required to be adopted by August 15. The committee reviewed the budget presented by Risk Manager Greg Pellicano. It was approved and referred to the board for consideration.

Chairman’s Remarks

Chairman Westfall commented on the retirements of career employees, Sharon Pinckney and soon to retire, Peg Birmingham, Deputy Commissioner of Human Services. He noted that the positions are key high level positions and that Peg and Sharon are examples of moving up through the ranks. Their retirement is a loss to the county.

Chairman Westfall cited several projects: del Lago, Route 318 sewer line; creation of the white deer reserve that would contribute to the growth of Seneca County. Noting the multiple meetings that have occurred and will occur, he thanked everyone for their effort, time, and commitment to seeing these projects to completion.

County Manager’s Remarks

County Manager Sheppard informed the Board that he is currently working on department budgets. He is about two-thirds to completion. He said the department heads have done a good job keeping the budgets unchanged from last year.

He also recognized Superintendent of Facilities Robert Stuck and his staff for their quick response and problem solving when the air cooler shut down at the Thurber Drive building. Window size air conditioners were installed on a temporary basis for the comfort of staff and clients.

Communications

109. From NYSAC, a copy of the NYSAC’s annual legislative summary report which includes a snapshot of the bills that passed both the Senate and Assembly that will have a direct or indirect impact on counties and local government; as well a brief description of each bill and where it is in the law-making process: whether it passed both houses and awaits being sent to the Governor, or it was

signed into law or vetoed.

110. A letter from Frank Fisher, Seneca County Attorney to Chairman Gary Westfall, Seneca County Board of Supervisors, copied to NYS Comptroller, dated July 15, 2016, as requirement of 2 NYCRR 85.5 in relation to the Seneca County Route 318 Sanitary Sewer Improvement District, representing the legal opinion of the Seneca County Attorney and as such, may be relied upon by the New York State Comptroller. It is the opinion of the county attorney that the application to the Comptroller contains all of the information required by the applicable statutes and regulations in regard to the establishment of the district; and it is his opinion that neither the County nor any County official is or are aware of any material pending or threatened laws suits or claims relating to the establishment of the district, that any assessments, charges or taxes to be imposed to finance the improvements and services to be provided are authorized by statute and all necessary action has been taken by the County to authorize the imposition of levy of such assessment, charges or taxes.

111. A letter from Mitchell, S. Morris, Associate Counsel, NYS Comptroller's Office, to County Attorney Fisher, copies to Gary Westfall, Chairman, dated July 21, 2016, acknowledging receipt of the application for the County of Seneca Establishment of Route 318 Corridor Sewer Improvement District.

112. From Genesee / Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council, a copy of the Preliminary Budget for the 2017 Calendar Year (January – December). The full Council will either ratify this budget, or adopt an amended budget in December, based upon the actual funds to be allocated to the Council by each member county.

113. From David Belaskas, P.E., Director of Engineering and Facilities Management, RGRTA, a Notice of Lead Agency with regard to the RTS Seneca Bus Facility Project and a copy of Part 1 of the SEQRA Environmental Assessment Form.

114. From John Pfahl, resident of Erie County, and from Michael J. Cooney, member, Board of Trustees for the George Eastman Museum, letters seeking support from Seneca County for a grant application for review by the Finger Lakes Regional Economic Development Council.

115. From Eileen Buckley, resident of Geneva, NY, an email expressing support of the passage of Public Law #7, (proposed local law by the Town of Seneca Falls that would prohibit solid waste disposal facilities in the town unless they have a valid state permit), citing failing assessments on current homeowners due to the SMI landfill and concern for the health of the residents.

116. A copy of the July 14, 2016 meeting minutes of the Seneca County Planning Board.

117. A copy of the Sales Tax Collection report for the date ending August 1, 2016.

118. A copy of the Edith B. Ford Memorial Library Summer 2016 newsletter.

119. A copy of the Cayuga / Seneca Community Action agency, Inc. 2015 Annual Report.

120. A copy of the Seneca County Sheriff's Office Monthly Snapshot for July 2016.

121. A letter from Ernie Brownell, Chairman, Fire Advisory Board and John Morabito, President, Fire Chief’s Association to the Seneca County Board of Supervisors, dated August 5, 2016, appealing to the Board of Supervisors to implement local legislation prohibiting burning in Seneca County for the duration of the current drought conditions.

122. From Brian Preston, resident, Town of Fayette, a statement regarding his concerns that del Lago chose to have two employment opportunity informational meetings, with one location in Clyde, NY; stating that the south end of the County should be a location for a meeting and ensuring that residents of Seneca County have the first opportunity for jobs at del Lago.

123. From Desiree Dawley, resident, Town of Tyre, an email dated August 9, 2016, expressing concern that the pay is a “mere \$7.50 plus tips for card dealer jobs at Lago” which is below minimum wage and “...makes the case for social costs in Seneca County skyrocketing...”.

RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS

SUPERVISORS ADOPT 2016 WORKERS' COMPENSATION BUDGET

RESOLUTION NO. 172-16, moved by Sprvr. Prouty, seconded by Sprvr. Shipley and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Finance, Assessment & Insurance Committee approved the 2017 Workers' Compensation Budget on July 28, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Workers' Compensation Budget must be filed with the Board of Supervisors by August 15 of each year per Article 5, Section 67 of the New York State Worker's Compensation Law; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby adopt the Seneca County Workers' Compensation Budget for the year 2016 as follows:

1710	ADMINISTRATION		
	.1100	Personal Service Administrator	28,000
	.1110	Employee Benefits Assistant	24,000
		Longevity	0
	.1200	Legal Services Director	0
	.1400	Severance	0
	.2200	Equipment	500
	.2300	Computer Equipment	1,000
	.4200	Supplies	800
	.4230	Telephone/Internet	0
	.4240	Postage	1,600

	.4260	Books and Periodicals	100
	.4270	Membership and Dues	200
	.4280	State Assessment	105,000
	.4440	Mileage	200
	.4450	Hotels and Meals	600
	.4560	Excess Insurance	98,000
	.4700	Investigation	3,000
	.4701	Training	200
	.4702	Legal Services	17,000
	.4703	Rehabilitation Services	5,000
	.8100	Retirement	8,760
	.8300	Social Security	3,000
	.8600	Hospitalization	15,600
	.8700	Medicare	700
	TOTAL ADMINISTRATION		313,260
1720	NON-ADMINISTRATION		
	.4100	Indemnification/Benefits & Awards	400,000
	.4110	Long Term Indemnity Liabilities	65,000
	.4200	Medical	275,000
	.4210	Long Term Medical Liabilities	50,000
	.4220	Independent Medical Examinations	6,000
	.4440	Mileage/Claimants	5,000
	.4700	Reserve	0
	TOTAL NON-ADMINISTRATION		801,000
	GRAND TOTAL		\$1,114,260

**TREASURER AUTHORIZED TO AMEND 2016 SENECA COUNTY HIGHWAY BUDGET FOR
INCREASE CHIPS/PAVE NEW YORK FUNDING**

RESOLUTION NO. 173-16, moved by Sprvr. Trout, seconded by Sprvr. Shipley and adopted.

WHEREAS, Seneca County has received official notification that \$234,199.35 in Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS)/ Pave New York funding will be available to the Seneca County Highway Department for Capital Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the amount of \$234,199.35 has been appropriated in the 2016 Road and Bridge

Construction budget; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee approved these amendments on July 26, 2016; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to amend the 2016 Seneca County Highway Road and Bridge Construction budget as follows:

Increase Revenue Account 3193.3500 CHIPS Capital \$234,199.35

Increase Account 5112.2000 County Road Construction \$234,199.35

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACCEPT BID FOR FLEET MANAGEMENT SERVICES

RESOLUTION NO. 174-16, moved by Sprvr. Trout, seconded by Sprvr. Shipley and adopted by 450 ayes (Trout, Shipley, Reynolds, Davidson, Prouty, Kaiser, Kronenwetter, McGreevy, Westfall); and 300 nays (Garlick Lorenzetti, Wadhams, Lazzaro, Churchill, Hayssen).

WHEREAS, on May 12, 2016 Seneca County solicited bids for fleet management services; and

WHEREAS, two bids were received from the following companies: Enterprise Fleet Management and Finger Lakes Chrysler; and

WHEREAS, said bids were opened on June 2, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Enterprise Fleet Management had the most advantageous and complete management services for Seneca County; inclusive of vehicle acquisition, vehicle resale, maintenance and fuel management; and

WHEREAS, joining with Enterprise Fleet Management will improve service, reduce the average age of the fleet and provide a cost savings exceeding \$400,000.00 over 10 years; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Committee of the Seneca County Board of Supervisors recommended accepting the bid from Enterprise Fleet Management at a special meeting on August 6, 2016; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby award the bid to Enterprise Fleet Management; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Manager is authorized to sign agreements joining Seneca County and Enterprise Fleet Management for fleet management services, at his discretion, with the corroboration of the County Attorney.

Motion to Lay the Main Motion on the Table

Sprvr. Lazzaro offered a motion to lay the main motion on the table; Sprvr. Hayssen seconded the motion.

Sprvr. Hayssen claimed that the cost for vehicles offered by Finger Lakes Chrysler as presented at the special meeting on August 9 were not accurate and he wants to see the comparison of the two companies with the correct numbers.

Sprvr. Wadhams, in favor of Finger Lakes Chrysler, said EFM is a nation company with no office or employees in the county. Finger Lakes Chrysler is a local dealer. They are building a new dealership in Tyre.

Sprvr. Churchill said he wouldn't be surprised if we ended up hiring someone to just manage the fleet management; and the savings that is projected if we contract with EFM isn't much of a savings. Sprvr. Hayssen stated that the savings occurs if we continue beyond the initial five year contract – thus locking us into EFM services. He said he isn't in favor of leasing our vehicles. He prefers to purchase them outright through the NYS marketplace

Sprvr. Kronenwetter said he thought the cost analysis was explained and there is a savings to the county. He favors contracting with EFM because it will streamline our fleet management and help to monitor it to prevent and fraud and abuse.

Sprvr. Garlick Lorenzetti said she will be voting against EFM because she still has unanswered questions. She was not comfortable voting for a five year contract without complete understanding of the details.

The motion to lay the main motion on the table failed by 450 nays (Reynolds, Davidson, Prouty, Kaiser, Kronenwetter, McGreevy, Westfall, Shipley, and Trout); and 300 ayes (Lazzaro, Hayssen, Garlick Lorenzetti, Wadhams, Churchill).

**SUPERVISORS SUPPORT A FLREDC PURSUIT OF GRANT FUNDS FOR THE
PERSISTENCE OF THE GEORGE EASTMAN MUSEUM**

RESOLUTION NO. 175-16, moved by Sprvr. Garlick Lorenzetti, seconded by Sprvr. Churchill and adopted.

WHEREAS, the George Eastman Museum, located in Rochester, NY, was founded in 1947 and is the world's oldest photography museum; and

WHEREAS, this museum provides leadership in the fields of photography and cinema; and

WHEREAS, this museum is dedicated to preserving and developing our world-class collections related to photography and cinema; and

WHEREAS, the George Eastman Museum Board of Trustees is submitting a grant application to the Finger Lakes Regional Economic Development Council (FLREDC) titled "National Historic Landmark Restoration"; and

WHEREAS, Seneca County supports their efforts to pursue these grant funds from the FLREDC; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors directs the County Manager to support the efforts of the George Eastman Museum Board of Trustees pursuit of grant funds for the persistence of the George Eastman Museum.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECTS CLERK OF THE BOARD TO
ADVERTISE FOR OFA PUBLIC HEARINGS**

RESOLUTION NO. 176-16, moved by Sprvr. Lazzaro, seconded by Sprvr. Garlick Lorenzetti and adopted.

WHEREAS, 9 NYCRR 6653.2 of New York State Rules and Regulations requires submission of an Annual Implementation Plan of Services for the Seneca County Office for the Aging; and

WHEREAS, a hearing is required to be held at least thirty days prior to such submission and notice of such hearing to be published in local newspapers at least twenty-one days prior to such hearing; and

WHEREAS, Seneca County wishes the benefit of public suggestions and comments for such plan; and

WHEREAS, said hearings are to be held on September 27, 2016 at 11:30 am in the community room of Verona Village, 2276 County Road 139, Ovid, NY and September 29, 2016 at 11:30 am at the Office for the Aging, 1 DiPronio Drive, Waterloo, NY; and

WHEREAS, the proposed plan or an abstract containing program goals, objectives, action steps, and proposed budgets with categorical breakdowns shall be made available to the public prior to the first such hearing; and

WHEREAS, single copies of the proposed area plan or an abstract shall be made available without charge upon request as soon as it is prepared, before submission to the New York State Office for the Aging; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors directs the Clerk of the Board to advertise at least 30 days prior to the first date of such Public Hearing in the County's newspapers of record the Public Hearings on the Annual Implementation of Services for the Seneca County Office for the Aging for the period April 1, 2017- March 31, 2018.

**RESOLUTION SETTING SALARIES OF CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS AT THE MARKET RATE
AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE MANAGEMENT SALARY SCHEDULE**

RESOLUTION NO. 177-16, moved by Sprvr. Lazzaro, seconded by Sprvr. Davidson and adopted.

WHEREAS, step increases for management employees were discontinued in 2006; and

WHEREAS, beginning in 2007, management employees that had completed five years in their current grade and step were moved to the market rate as provided for in the management salary schedule; and

WHEREAS, beginning in 2014 step increases for management employees have occurred; and

WHEREAS, despite the reinstatement of step increases in 2014, there are three management employees who will have completed five (5) years at their current grade and step and should be moved on

the salary schedule to the market rate as provided for in the management salary schedule; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approves moving the following management employees to the market rate effective 1/1/2017:

Deputy Director of Workforce Development

Employee Benefits Assistant

Prevention & Treatment Program Director

AMEND HOMELAND SECURITY FY 2015

PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT OPERATIONS GRANT

RESOLUTION NO. 178-16, moved by Sprvr. Davidson, seconded by Sprvr. Kaiser and adopted.

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services announced the 2015 PSAP Operations Grant on November 13, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Grant allows for State support to counties for eligible public safety call-taking and dispatching expense; and

WHEREAS, the State support is in the form of reimbursement for operating expenses to the PSAP, including personal services; and

WHEREAS, the enacted state budget for 2015 appropriates \$10 million for all those eligible (62 counties); and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Answering Points Operations Grant is non-competitive and will allocate money by a formula which equitably distributes funding among counties based on quantifiable elements and relevant metrics, with no local match; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 28-16 authorized the acceptance by Seneca County for this PSAP Operations Grant in the amount of \$166,635.00; and

WHEREAS, \$136,635 of this award was allocated to purchase networking equipment to add redundancy to the Seneca County network, plus additional equipment to enable a redundant internet connection for Seneca County; and

WHEREAS, the remaining award of \$30,000 was originally allocated to fund a consultant to assist with accreditation in the E-911 Center; and

WHEREAS, \$30,000 would be better allocated to pay for 2016 overtime costs within the E-911 Center; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services has approved amending this grant; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee approved this amendment on July 26, 2016; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes and directs the County Manager to e-sign any and all grant documents relating to the PSAP 15 Operations grant.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZES AND DIRECTS COUNTY MANAGER TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH CLEAN HARBORS ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION NO. 179-16, moved by Sprvr. McGreevy, seconded by Sprvr. Wadhams and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Health Department solicited bids for the Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event; and

WHEREAS, three (3) sealed bids for this event were received; and

WHEREAS, Clean Harbors Environmental Services, 6741 VIP Parkway, Dewitt, NY 13211 submitted a bid for the following rates: set up fee \$1,740.00; charge per household \$43.50; and

WHEREAS, Clean Harbors Environmental Services has provided services for Seneca County's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event for the last several years; and

WHEREAS, Clean Harbors Environmental Services has provided excellent services for this event; and

WHEREAS, Clean Harbors Environmental Services was determined to be the lowest responsible and responsive bid; and

WHEREAS, the money for this contract is in the Public Health Department budget 104011-54801; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Committee has recommended approval of a contract with Clean Harbor Environmental Services; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes and directs the County Manager to sign all documents relating to a contract with Clean Harbor Environmental Services for the Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZES AND DIRECTS COUNTY MANAGER TO SIGN A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE S2AY RURAL HEALTH NETWORK FOR FLPHA MEMBERSHIP

RESOLUTION NO. 180-16, moved by Sprvr. McGreevy, seconded by Sprvr. Lazzaro and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Health Department has been a member of the Finger Lakes Public Health Alliance (FLPHA) since its inception; and

WHEREAS, this alliance is a consortium of nine county Health Departments (Seneca, Schuyler, Steuben, Yates, Ontario, Wayne, Chemung, Livingston and Monroe); and

WHEREAS, this consortium allows the county's to perform emergency preparedness planning, as well as the planning and execution of drills and exercises on a regional basis; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Health Department received invaluable assistance and support

during the recent Hepatitis A outbreak through this membership; and

WHEREAS, the cost for membership is \$2,000.00; and

WHEREAS, these funds are included in the adopted 2016 Public Health budget and will be paid through the Emergency Preparedness Grant budget 104010-54702; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Committee has approved this resolution at its July 26, 2016 meeting; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes and directs the County Manager to sign any and all documents relating to this agreement with the S2AY Rural Health Network for FLPHA membership for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

**RESOLUTION CALLING ON STATE AND COUNTY OFFICIALS, RESIDENTS AND
BUSINESS OWNERS TO ADOPT THE "THINK DIFFERENTLY" INITIATIVE
TO ASSIST INDIVIDUALS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS AND THEIR FAMILIES**

RESOLUTION NO. 181-16, moved by Sprvr. McGreevy, seconded by Sprvr. Shipley and adopted.

WHEREAS, the "Think Differently" initiative is about promoting awareness and acceptance of all people, and advocating for the inclusion of all individuals living on the Autism Spectrum and with special needs; and

WHEREAS, our state and communities are stronger because of our diversity and differences; and

WHEREAS, according to the Center for Disease Control (CDC) over 55 million people, or approximately 19% of Americans, have a type of disability or special need; and

WHEREAS, for some people with special needs, the very things that make them unique can also keep them on the sidelines, separate from those who might not understand their differences or uniqueness; and

WHEREAS, it is important to promote and provide guidance to those with special needs on how to access publicly supported services available to them in the community; and

WHEREAS, it is important to encourage and educate the community and businesses on ways they can make facilities and services more accessible and on how to train staff to welcome and support special needs customers and co-workers; and

WHEREAS, the goal of this initiative is to provide a supportive and inclusive environment for individuals of all abilities by supporting community events that expand family friendly opportunities for people with special needs and their families; and

WHEREAS, adopting the "Think Differently" initiative is an important statement that our State and County officials, business owners and residents can make to show their support for the differently-abled children and adults with special needs, and their families; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the New York State Association of Counties calls on all State and County

officials, residents and business owners to adopt the "Think Differently" initiative so that all are better prepared to communicate with, provide for, and support those living on the Autism Spectrum and with special needs; and be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be sent to the sixty-two counties of New York State encouraging member counties to enact similar resolutions; and be it further

RESOLVED that NYSAC shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Andrew M. Cuomo, the New York State Legislature and all others deemed necessary and proper.

Unfinished Business

Sprvr. Wadhams shared his concern regarding the radio system for fire calls obtained via the homeland security grant program. He said in Junius, the tower used is one direction only. He said it would have been better to save the grant money and use cell phones. Emergency Management Director Melissa Taylor addressed his concern, stating that the one directional tower is located at Burgess Road and the purpose is to shoot calls back to the south end of the county. A multi-directional antenna has been ordered and should solve the issue Sprvr. Wadhams noted. Director Taylor will follow-up with Sprvr. Wadhams to address the issue.

New Business

None.

Executive Session

Sprvr. Trout moved to enter executive session under §105(1)(f) Public Officers Law to discuss matters leading to the employment of a person. Other attendees: County Manager, County Attorney, County Treasurer, and Personnel Officer. The board met in executive session from 6:51 p.m. – 7:48 p.m.

Reconvene in Open Session

Sprvr. Wadhams moved the following resolution to adoption.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZES
RETENTION OF PROVISIONAL DIRECTOR OF FINANCE**

RESOLUTION NO. 182-16, moved by Sprvr. Wadhams, seconded by Sprvr. Trout and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors created the position of Finance Director by Resolution 104-16; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager, together with the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, the Personnel Director, Treasurer and Vice Chairman of the Personnel Committee have interviewed candidates for the position of Finance Director on a provisional basis and have reviewed their final choices with the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board having determined the most appropriate candidate in executive session; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been brought from the floor without committee review pursuant to Rule 29 of the Board of Supervisors Rules of Order; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager is authorized and directed to appoint the Seneca County Director of Finance on a provisional basis as discussed in executive session at the Board of Supervisors regular meeting of August 9, 2016.

Special Order of the Day

The meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.