

**SENECA COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Special Board Meeting & Public Hearing  
September 8, 2020

Call to Order

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

Roll Call of Members by the Clerk

Twelve members of the Seneca County Board of Supervisors answered roll call. Sprvrs. Kronenwetter and Hayes were not present.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Public Hearing

“A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law §3-C”.  
Section 1. Legislative Intent. It is the intent of this local law to allow the County of Seneca to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 2021 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law § 3-C. Section 2. Authority. This local law is adopted pursuant to Subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-C, which expressly authorizes a local government’s governing body to override the property tax cap for the coming fiscal year by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) of said governing body. Section 3. Tax Levy Limit Override. The County Board of Seneca, County is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 2021 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law §3-C. Section 4. Severability. If a court determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court’s order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this local law, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered. Section 5. Effective date. This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

Sprvr. Reynolds moved the floor open to receive comments from the public. No comments were offered or heard. Sprvr. Garlick Lorenzetti moved the floor closed for the public hearing.

Presentations

Accreditation for Seneca County Public Health. Vickie Swinehart, Director of Public Health, announced Seneca County Health Department is now nationally accredited. Through the S2AY Rural Health Network, six counties (Seneca, Schuyler, Steuben, Wayne, Ontario, and Yates) sent in a letter of intent to pursue a multi-jurisdictional application for accreditation. In order to qualify for a multi-jurisdictional accreditation we had to demonstrate that we worked closely on 6 out of the 12 domains that

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we had to meet. We began the process of submission of documents and had an on-site visit by the PHAB reviewers in July/August of 2018. Our application was up for approval but then delayed due to COVID-19. This has been a very long journey and we have improved many of our protocols and documentation through this process. We have emerged a stronger health department because of these endeavors.

Petitioners

Casinos Stand United and del Lago Resort and Casino. Valerie Licari-McIntyre, Organizer, Casinos Stand United, a grass roots group representing the out of work essential workers from all the non-Native American casinos in NYS. The County is losing massive revenue with casinos being closed. We are expecting 5,200 casino workers on unemployment. It's more than del Lago. She estimated that 3,500 casino workers would still be jobless due to Governor Andrew Cuomo's restriction on operation at commercial gaming facilities across New York. Although we are grateful the Governor allowed us to reopen at 25% capacity – that's not much. We need to keep pushing. She says that if casinos were allowed to operate at 50% capacity – they would be able to cut the unemployment rate among those workers by that much or more. Chairman Hayssen noted that del Lago would be opening tomorrow, just for slot machines. No table games will be opened.

Open Privilege of The Floor

James Garlick, resident, Town of Varick addressed the Board of Supervisors, concerned about how the county will recover from the economic crisis from the pandemic; he urged the Board of Supervisors to pressure the governor to reopen Seneca County. He wondered what the criteria to reopen a gym or to reopen a casino is being used by the governor? If we had zero cases in Seneca County, would we be allowed to reopen at 50% or 75%. Our data is lumped in with Monroe County. Overriding the tax cap for the 2021 budget may solve immediate problems, but it will hurt the working man in the long run. Maybe we will see an increase in revenue from the current housing market which is high. The county's largest revenue sources are the casino, restaurants and tourism.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

The minutes for the July 28, 2020 Special Board Meeting were approved.

Reports of Standing Committees

Public Health Services Committee – Sprvr. McGreevy, Chairman. On tonight's agenda, the committee referred a resolution that will authorize the receipt of grant monies awarded to the public health department to assist with COVID-19 response efforts in the amount of \$151,788; We heard from local businesses who shared their experiences with COVID and state regulations have impacted their business: Tom Murray, Owner, Muranda Cheese; Pat Malcuria, Owner, Sunset Bowl, and Shannon

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McCoy, employee, AJs Diner. A couple of weeks ago we sent a letter to Governor Cuomo urging him to reopen casinos, so we are please that del Lago will be reopening tomorrow, albeit with limited gaming.

Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Committee – Sprvr. Barnhart, Chairman. We met with Jeff Shipley, President & CEO, Chamber of Commerce and Sara Davis, Executive Director, IDA, and Mitch Rowe, County Manager and were updated on the Economic Development Strategy for Seneca County. The strategy was developed as a joint venture of the Board of Supervisors, the Seneca County Industrial Development Agency and the Seneca County Chamber of Commerce. After the Plan adopted, COVID pandemic hit and so they have been meeting weekly for the past month to prioritize projects for the economic recovery of the county: Focus on business retention and expansion - IDA implemented emergency loan fund program; Ways to improve our infrastructure (sewer and water county wide; meeting with NYSEG to expand electric/ gas; Improve county reputation – Seneca County is Business Friendly. One Seneca, a group of every business industry in Seneca County represented. Keeps a pulse on the business community; has been a great resource. Urge supervisors to support strategic plan; urge the community to buy-in. Economic recovery for Seneca County will be a success if all the community, business owners, and workforce participate.

Personnel Committee – Sprvr. Ferrara, Chairman. The committee approved refilling several positions, and if applicable, the committee approved to waive the hiring freeze policy: Deputy Director for Public Health; Temporary Aging Services Aide (HEAP); Social Welfare Examiner position; Social Welfare Examiner (Temporary – HEAP) position; and Caseworker Trainee position. The resolution on tonight’s agenda will create two positions for part-time jail physicians. We were contracting the services with Finger Lakes Medical Group which expires next week. Hiring two part-time physicians will ensure coverage as needed and not to exceed the current rated of \$70,000 annually.

Public Safety Committee p- Sprvr. Brownell, Chairman. The three resolutions referred by the Public Safety Committee are: (1) to upgrade security by installing newer cameras at all our radio tower sites and 911 server rooms for less than \$60,000 with funds available from NYS Interoperable Communications grant; (2) to extend a software and maintenance contract for the Public Defender’s Officer; (3) and one to increase our rate for our coroner fees to align with other counties.

Government Operations Committee – Sprvr. Garlick Lorenzetti, Chair. The Board of Supervisors will hold its meeting in Ovid on Tuesday, October 13 at 6:00 p.m. in the former courthouse at the Papa Bear Building. A resolution amending the Rules of Order was adopted at our August 25 meeting.

Environmental Affairs Committee – Sprvr. Garlick Lorenzetti, Vice-Chair. Environmental Affairs Chairman Kronenwetter asked that I read the following statement, “The best news for the

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environment of Seneca County, is that the town of Seneca Falls purchased a new over flow tank for the water treatment plant which will save thousands of gallons of sewage from being dumped into the environment.”

Public Works Committee – Sprvr. Trout, Chairman. Seneca County is the owner of two vacant parcels of land in the Town of Lodi; a fifty-eight (58) acre parcel on Keady Road (16-1-17) and a two (2) acre parcel on County Road 137 (21-1-01.2). Discussion included keeping land for public hunting vs. putting it on the tax rolls. A draft proposal to sell the property will be prepared for review by the committee in two weeks.

Finance, Assessment & Insurance Committee – Sprvr. Reynolds, Chairman. We had the public hearing to override the tax cap for 2021 earlier. No comments were heard or offered. So I assume when the resolution comes up it will be adopted. The budget preparation includes several factors that may cause us to override the tax cap: • Impact from COVID 19; • Reduction in sales tax revenue and gaming revenues; • Still unclear how much the NYS Dept. of Budget will withhold in 2021; • Because of our Hiring freeze, salaries for this year were \$1.7 million below budget; • Contractual expenses were half a million below budget this year vs. the same time last year; • County Manager and Finance Director are working to close the gap and to file the Tentative 2021 Budget by November 15, 2020.

Reports of Special Committees

Seneca County IDA - Sprvr. Trout reported that the Revolving Loan Fund rules changed a lot with focus on small businesses, offering \$25K-\$30K loans. Sarah Davis, Executive Director for SCIDA is the contact person. If money isn't spent, then future funding amount decreases. The IDA approved a request by Earl Martin to begin renovations at Hillside prior to the closing of the sale.

Cornell Cooperative Extension – Sprvr. Lott reported that the Extension had a finance meeting last week and finalized its budget request for county funding for 2021.

Sampson Cemetery – County Manager Rowe thought we would have a decision by now; delayed, perhaps from COVID. Michael Nozzolio, Chairman of the Sampson Cemetery committee, continues to believe strongly that New York State will designate Sampson as its veteran cemetery.

Chairman's Remarks

2020 Census Deadline. The U.S. Census Bureau reports that only about 66% of households have so far self-responded to the 2020 census. The deadline is September 30. Data collected by the census helps determine the distribution of trillions of dollars in federal aid and how many congressional seats and Electoral College votes each state gets. An additional 25 percent have been counted in person, leaving

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nearly 14 million households uncounted. Many of those left out live in hard-to-reach areas, such as rural communities and areas with limited access to the internet.

County Manager's Remarks

Preparation of the 2021 budget is ongoing. The departments have all submitted requests. The outside agencies have until Thursday, September 10 to submit their requests. Sales tax and gaming revenue will take a big hit and we are waiting to see if the reopening of del Lago will ease some of the pressure of raising taxes and overriding the tax cap.

County Attorney's Remarks

None

Communications:

83. From Barbara J. Hazard, Interlaken, NY, a letter dated August 25, 2020, suggesting that a county local law be created to monitor the short term rentals / summer rentals in an effort to protect the property of our permanent residents of Seneca County.

84. From Danielle Searing, an email dated August 25, 2020, thanking the Board of Supervisors for their service, and informing them she will be praying for them and the decisions they have to make at their August 25, 2020 meeting.

85. A copy of an email from Nancy Bromka to Supervisor Enslow dated August 24, 2020, thanking him for the stand he took at the July 28 board meeting by not wearing a mask, and supporting those who are against the governors mandates regarding COVID-19.

86. Emails from Seneca County residents, expressing support for or opposition to wearing masks and social distancing to prevent the spread of COVID-19 virus as required under Governor Cuomo's Executive Orders.

87. From NYS Homeland Security and Emergency Services, notification Seneca County being awarded \$17,977 under the FY2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) for October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2022; and notification that Seneca County is awarded \$57,278 (25% for law enforcement terrorism prevention activities) under the FY2020 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) for September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2023.

88. From NYS Department of Transportation notification dated August 3, 2020 that NYS DOT has recently processed a quarterly payment under the Statewide Mass Transportation Operating Assistance (STOA) program (\$781,900 reimbursed to Seneca County; \$5,004.16 required local match). Copies forwarded to County Manager and Finance Director.

89. A copy of the Finger Lakes Airport Advisory Committee June 10, 2020 meeting minutes.

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- 90. A copy of the Seneca County IDA July 2, 2020 meeting minutes.
- 91. A copy of the Seneca County Planning Board August 13, 2020 meeting minutes.
- 92. A copy of the Seneca County Sheriff’s Office Monthly Snapshot for July 2020.
- 93. A copy of the Inter-County Association of Western New York June 19, 2020 and July 27, 2020 meeting minutes.
- 94. A copy of Cattaraugus County Act No. 310-2020, and a copy of Green County Resolution No. 213-20, “Opposing Governor Cuomo’s Executive Order 202.52 Requiring Businesses Licensed by the State Liquor Authority to serve an alcoholic Beverage only if such Alcoholic Beverage is Accompanied by a Food Item.”
- 95. A copy of Cattaraugus County Act No. 311-2020, “Supporting Amendment to Electronic Equipment Recycling and Refuse Act”.
- 96. A copy of Greene County Resolution No. 214-20, “Urging Governor Cuomo to sign State Legislative Bill A.9952B / S.7880B to Prohibit the Incineration of Firefighting Foam Containing Per- and Poly-Fluoroalkyl Substances in Cohoes.
- 97. A copy of Ontario County Resolution No. 390-2020, endorsing the appointment of M. Jungermann to the Finger Lakes Workforce Development Board and Finger Lakes Investment Board, Inc.

RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZES AMENDMENTS TO  
2020 SENECA COUNTY BUDGET**

RESOLUTION NO. 179-2020, motion offered by Sprvr. Reynolds, second by Sprvr. Trout and adopted.

WHEREAS, amendments to the 2020 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 & Insurance Standing Committee at its meeting on August 25, 2020; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes the following amendments to the 2020 Seneca County Budget:

Line Item	Description	Increase/(Decrease)	Revenue/Expenditure	\$\$
<b>Note 1: Sheriff &amp; LEC Budget adjustments</b>				
103150 51300	Salaries Overtime	Increase	Expenditure	\$245,000
103113 51200	Salaries Part Time	Increase	Expenditure	\$32,000
103113 51300	Overtime	Increase	Expenditure	\$41,000
103113 51100	Salaries Full Time	Decrease	Expenditure	\$73,000
103150 54520	Food Supplies Exp	Increase	Expenditure	\$34,000
103150 54380	Other Fees & Services	Decrease	Expenditure	\$34,000

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103113 52600	Sheriff Vehicles	Decrease	Expenditure	\$30,000
103151 54350	Medical Expense	Decrease	Expenditure	\$65,000
103150 51200	Salaries Part Time	Decrease	Expenditure	\$90,000
101990 54700	Contingency	Decrease	Expenditure	\$60,000
<b>Note 2: Water Salary &amp; Fringe Benefits Adjustment</b>				
318310 51100	Salaries	Increase	Expenditure	\$19,500
318310 52100	Office Furniture	Decrease	Expenditure	\$1,000
318310 54140	Utilities	Decrease	Expenditure	\$18,500
318310 58100	Retirement	Increase	Expenditure	\$4,400
318310 58600	Health Insurance	Increase	Expenditure	\$7,700
318310 54220	Repairs & Maintenance	Decrease	Expenditure	\$12,100
<b>Note 3: Workers Comp Budget Adjustment</b>				
601720 42701	Refund Prior Yr Exp	Increase	Revenue	\$3,918
601720 54100	Benefits & Awards	Increase	Expenditure	\$103,918
601720 54110	Long Term Indemnity	Decrease	Expenditure	\$50,000
601720 54210	Long Term Medical	Decrease	Expenditure	\$50,000
<b>Note 4: Balsey Road Capital Project Adjustment</b>				
805113 52000 BLSRD	Construction	Decrease	Expenditure	\$181,502
805113 54341 BLSRD	Engineering Fees	Increase	Expenditure	\$181,502
<b>Note 5: Highway Road Construction Budget Adjustment</b>				
405112 52000	Construction	Decrease	Expenditure	\$31,700
405112 54201	County Machinery Rent	Increase	Expenditure	\$31,700

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADOPTION BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE  
COUNTY OF SENECA OF LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2020, “A LOCAL LAW TO OVERRIDE  
THE TAX LEVY LIMIT ESTABLISHED IN GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW §3-C”**

RESOLUTION NO. 180-2020, motion offered by Sprvr. Reynolds, second by Sprvr. Trout and adopted.

WHEREAS, a resolution was duly adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Seneca for a Public Hearing to be held by said County on September 8, 2020, at or about 6:00 p.m. at the Seneca County Office Building, One DiPronio Drive, Waterloo, NY 13165, to hear all interested parties on proposed Local Law entitled “A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law §3-C”; and

WHEREAS, notice of said public hearing was duly advertised in the official newspaper(s) of the County of Seneca; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was duly held on September 8, 2020 at or about 6:00 pm at the Seneca County Office Building, One DiPronio Drive, Waterloo, NY 13165; and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said Proposed Local law, or any part thereof; and

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WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Seneca, after due deliberation, finds it in the best interests of the County of Seneca to adopt said Local Law; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Seneca hereby adopts said Local Law 2” of 2020 entitled, “A Local Law to Override the Tax Levy Limit Established in General Municipal Law §3-C” to read substantially as follows:

Section 1. Legislative Intent. It is the intent of this local law to allow the County of Seneca to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 2021 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the “tax levy limit” as defined by General Municipal Law § 3-C.

Section 2. Authority. This local law is adopted pursuant to Subdivision 5 of General Municipal Law §3-C, which expressly authorizes a local government’s governing body to override the property tax cap for the coming fiscal year by the adoption of a local law approved by a vote of sixty percent (60%) of said governing body.

Section 3. Tax Levy Limit Override. The County Board of Seneca, County is hereby authorized to adopt a budget for the fiscal year commencing January 1, 2021 that requires a real property tax levy in excess of the amount otherwise prescribed in General Municipal Law §3-C.

Section 4. Severability. If a court determines that any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or the application thereof to any person, firm or corporation, or circumstance is invalid or unconstitutional, the court’s order or judgment shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this local law, but shall be confined in its operation to the clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, or part of this local law or in its application to the person, individual, firm or corporation or circumstance, directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment or order shall be rendered.

Section 5. Effective date. This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State.

**AUTHORIZE CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR PUBLIC DEFENSE CASE MANAGEMENT  
SYSTEM MAINTENANCE AND SOFTWARE SUPPORT WITH NYS DEFENDERS  
ASSOCIATION, INC.**

RESOLUTION NO. 181-2020, motion offered by Sprvr. Brownell, second by Sprvr. Reynolds and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Public Defender’s Office has had a contract with New York State Defenders Association for case management system maintenance and software support since 2005; and

WHEREAS, this contract will expire October 4, 2020 unless a one year extension is approved; and

WHEREAS, the cost of the contract renewal is \$1,000.00; and

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WHEREAS, funding is available for this contract renewal in budget line 101170-54221; and  
WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Committee at its August 25, 2020 meeting; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Seneca County Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized and directed to sign any and all documents necessary to extend the contract for Public Defense Case Management System Maintenance and Software Agreement between Seneca County Public Defender's Office and the New York State Defenders Association, subject to approval of the Seneca County Attorney.

**AUTHORIZE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF SECURITY CAMERAS FOR SENECA  
COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO TOWER SITES AND 911 SERVER ROOMS**

RESOLUTION NO. 182-2020, motion offered by Sprvr. Brownell, second by Sprvr. Borst and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Emergency Management Office has received a proposal from Day Automation for the purchase and installation of security cameras at four tower sites, the Main 911 Center server room, and the Backup 911 server room; and

WHEREAS, the amount of criminal activity and copper thefts at radio tower sites across the country continues to increase; and

WHEREAS, the cost of this proposal is \$59,776.09, and funding is available in the 2019-2020 Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant; and

WHEREAS, there are no recurring maintenance fees and all cameras have a (5) five year warranty; and

WHEREAS, Day Automation Systems has prepared this proposal in strict accordance with the requirements of their NYS OGS contract PT-68783; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was approved by the Public Safety Standing Committee on August 25, 2020; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize the Emergency Management Office to purchase and install security cameras for a total cost of \$59,776.09.

**SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZE UPDATED CORONER RELATED SERVICE RATES**

RESOLUTION NO. 183-2020, motion offered by Sprvr. Brownell, second by Sprvr. Lott and adopted.

WHEREAS, Seneca County has a Compensation Rate Schedule for Coroner, Autopsy and related services; and

WHEREAS, the current schedule has not be updated in several years and;

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WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors recognizes the need to update the schedule in certain areas;  
and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee reviewed and approved this Resolution on August 25, 2020; and now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors authorizes amending the Autopsy Rate to \$700 and the Transport Rate to \$350 effective immediately.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVES WAIVER TO HIRING FREEZE TO REFILL  
TEMPORARY AGING SERVICES AIDE (HEAP) POSITION**

RESOLUTION NO. 184-2020, motion offered by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Cleere and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Director of Office for Aging is seeking a waiver to the Hiring Freeze Policy in order to refill the position for a Temporary Aging Services Aide (HEAP); and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Standing Committee met on August 25, 2020 and approved this resolution; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request submitted by the Director of Office for Aging to waive the Hiring Freeze Policy in order to refill one (1) vacant position for a Temporary Aging Services Aide (HEAP).

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVES WAIVER TO HIRING FREEZE  
TO REFILL SOCIAL WELFARE EXAMINER POSITION**

RESOLUTION NO. 185-2020, motion offered by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Lott and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Human Services is seeking a waiver to the Hiring Freeze Policy in order to refill the position for a Full-time Social Welfare Examiner; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Standing Committee met on August 25, 2020 and approved this resolution; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request submitted by the Commissioner of Human Services to waive the Hiring Freeze Policy in order to refill one (1) vacant position for a Social Welfare Examiner.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVES WAIVER TO HIRING FREEZE  
TO REFILL A TEMPORARY SOCIAL WELFARE EXAMINER (HEAP) POSITION**

RESOLUTION NO. 186-2020, motion offered by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Lott and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Human Services is seeking a waiver to the Hiring Freeze Policy in order to refill the position for a Temporary Social Welfare Examiner (HEAP); and

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WHEREAS, the Personnel Standing Committee met on August 25, 2020 and approved this resolution; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby approve the request submitted by the Commissioner of Human Services to waive the Hiring Freeze Policy in order to refill one (1) vacant position for a Temporary Social Welfare Examiner (HEAP).

**AUTHORIZE CREATION AND FILLING OF TWO POSITIONS FOR JAIL PHYSICIAN (PT)**

RESOLUTION NO. 187-2020, motion offered by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Cleere and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Department is mandated to have an on-site Physician to Hold a New York State License to practice medicine as a Doctor in order to examine inmates, diagnose ailments and prescribe treatment and medications, consult with nursing staff as to medications and treatment required for inmates, arrange for and as required, participate in specialty consultations and maintain medical records and prepare reports as required; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff received notification from the Finger Lakes Medical Group that their contract for Physicians will cancel by September 15, 2020 as they will no longer be providing the services previously rendered; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff and Personnel Officer have spoken with the current Physician that works with Seneca County Sheriff's Department under the current contract and she is willing and able to continue services with Seneca County; and

WHEREAS, the allocated cost of these services is currently \$70,000 per year; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff is requesting that we hire two (2) Jail Physicians on a Part-time basis in order to ensure coverage throughout the year with both salary lines not to exceed a total of \$70,000 per year; and

WHEREAS, the Vacancy Committee has reviewed and approved the creation and filling of the two (2) Jail Physician (PT) positions on August 25, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee approved this resolution on August 25, 2020; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes the creation and filling of two positions for Jail Physician (PT); and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Department of Finance is authorized to make the necessary budgetary and accounting entries to effect the intent of this resolution.

**ACCEPT GRANT AWARD AND AUTHORIZE CONTRACTS TO RECEIVE  
EPIDEMIOLOGY AND LABORATORY CAPACITY (ELC) COVID-19 FUNDING**

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RESOLUTION NO. 188-2020, motion offered by Sprvr. McGreevy, second by Sprvr. Ferrara and adopted.

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health has awarded the Seneca County Health Department additional funding to assist with the COVID-19 response efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) COVID- 19 Enhanced Detection Grant is to be used to enhance detection, surveillance and prevention of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, the majority of this funding is to be used to increase staffing capacity to conduct rapid and complete case and contact investigations and to report data; and

WHEREAS, the grant period is July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2022 and is in the amount of \$1,202,384; and

WHEREAS the grant allows only \$151,788 of the funding to be available in the first year of the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Services Standing Committee reviewed and approved this resolution at their August 25, 2020 meeting; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager is hereby authorized and directed to sign any and all documents as may be necessary to receive these additional funds; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Department of Finance is authorized to make the necessary budgetary and accounting entries to effect the intent of this resolution.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Sprvr. Trout moved to enter Executive Session under Open Meetings Law Section 105 (1) (f) the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. Invited to join the Board of Supervisors: Personnel Officer. Executive session time: 6:40 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. The Board of Supervisors reconvened in open session. No action was taken.

Special Order of the Day

The meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.