

**SENECA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Regular Board Meeting
November 9, 2021

Call to Order

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

Roll Call of Members by the Clerk

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

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment Of Silence

Presentations

None

Petitioners

None

Open Privilege of the Floor

Honorable Assemblyman Jeff Gallahan. Earlier this year, the State Legislature passed legislation (A.7967/S.7117) sponsored by Assemblyman Jeff Gallahan and Assemblyman Phil Palmesano in the Assembly, and Senator Pam Helming in the Senate, to allow Seneca County to modify the allocation of the existing hotel motel tax revenue collected by the County in order to fund more projects that support tourism, including, recreation, water and infrastructure. This week, Gov. Kathy Hochul signed the legislation into law and, it will take effect immediately.

Tourism Promotion Agency (TPA): Seneca County created a policy which allotted 90% of its occupancy tax dollars beginning with FY2018 to its Tourism Promotion Agency (*Seneca County Chamber of Commerce*). The Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Standing Committee referred a resolution on tonight's agenda that would reduce the funding amount FY2022 to 75%.

Speaking in favor of the proposed reduction, and seeking additional funding committed to the Three Bear buildings in the amount of \$70,000 for hiring a full-time manager and 2 part-time student docents was Phyllis Motill, President, The Friends of the Three Bears; Shannon O'Connor, Grant Writer, The Friends of the Three Bears, and Maureen Koch Young, former TPA Director for Seneca County; They said the Three Bears welcomes hundreds of visitors annually. The Friends mission is entirely different from the Chamber of Commerce mission. The Friends goals are focused on making the Three Bears an educational and cultural center. Statistical data was presented supporting attendance / visitors at events hosted at the Three Bears and how the Three Bears are and continue to be a strong contribution to drawing tourism to the county, specifically the south end of the county.

Speaking against the proposed 75% reduction, and urging the Board of Supervisors to continue funding the TPA at 90% were Jeff Shipley, TPA Project Director and President & CEO, Seneca County

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Chamber of Commerce; Kathy Peters, tourism kiosk employee, Seneca County Chamber of Commerce; Bruce Murray, Owner, Boundary Breaks Vineyard & Chairman of the Board of the SC Chamber of Commerce; Tom Murray, Owner, Muranda Cheese Inc. & Board member of the SC Chamber of Commerce; and August Gillon, Owner, Quality Inn. The Chamber of Commerce has performed strongly as the county tourism promotion agency. The number of tourists in 2020 was 41,000; the number of tourists in 2021 was recorded at 16,000. They created strong digital footprint to attract tourism with DiscoverSeneca.com. Demographics are tracked and used for planning which is integral for marketing. The Chamber received the Tourism Excellence Award from the New York State Tourism Industry Association in 2021; and in 2020 the Chambers was awarded the Excellence in Tourism Marketing award for its 2020 Discover Seneca Visitor Guide. The wineries experienced their best year since the industry's inception in the late 1970s this past year, despite the pandemic. Reducing the annual allotment for tourism feels like the Board is punishing its TPA for doing a great job promoting tourism.

Sprvr. Cindy Lorenzetti stated that she will support 75% for TPA funding. There are many other uses for the share allotted to the county, such as infrastructure, that also relate to tourism.

Sprvr. Trout recommended a compromise allotment of 85% / 15%.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Minutes were approved for the October 12, 2021 Ovid board meeting; and the October 26, 2021 special board meeting.

Reports of Standing Committees

Water & Sewer Treatment Management & Operations Committee – Sprvr. Borst, Vice-Chairman. On the agenda tonight we have several resolutions related to the Sewer 1 and 2 improvements project and bonding of the project. There is a public hearing scheduled for the bond resolution for Thursday, November 18 at 6:00 p.m. Peter Baker from B&L met with the committee and reviewed the map and plan for the project. The committee continues to discuss hiring an engineering firm to develop plans for a water and sewer authority. No decision has been made.

Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Committee – Sprvr. Barnhart, Chairman. Tonight we will be considering reappointments to the FL Regional Airport Advisory Committee.: Jill Henry, Don Earle, Vern Sessler, Jr., Nelson Ronsvalle, Kenneth Padgett, and Peter Same. Each are for a three year term, effective October 22, 2021 through October 21, 2024. The committee approved a GAIN loan to Muranda Cheese. "GAIN" (Growing the Agriculture Industry Now!) to purchase equipment that will allow the company to establish a cheese processing facility in Seneca County. The loan will total no more than \$200,000.00, less any balance due on the Muranda current GAIN Loan, payable at one percent

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(1%) interest for seven (7) year. The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Seneca County and the local towns and villages regarding what items to be forwarded to the County Planning Board for review. Later tonight I will introduce the resolution proposing to decrease the TPA share of occupancy tax dollars to 75%, which was addressed by several speakers earlier tonight.

Human Services Committee – Sprvr. McGreevy, Chairman. Tonight the board will consider two resolutions referred by the Human Services Committee. The first is for a contract with Cayuga Centers for Multisystemic Therapy (MST). MST is an intensive family and community-based treatment for serious juvenile offenders with possible substance abuse issues. The primary goal is to decrease youth criminal behavior and out-of-home placements. The cost of the program is roughly \$250,000 of which 81% is the state and federal share and 19% or \$47,500 is the county share. The second item is proclaiming November as Adoption Month in Seneca County.

Public Safety Committee – Sprvr. Brownell, Chairman. On tonight's agenda, there is a resolution to apply for \$150,000 in funding for the Hazard Mitigation Planning grant. We also have two resolutions to accept grant funding: \$390,201 from the 2020 Statewide Interoperable Communications grant; and \$17,869 from the 2021 Emergency Management Performance grant. Finally we have a resolution for a lease with the NYS Police to use the fire training center in Romulus as their substation and training facility. The lease is for 10 years. I have a resolution to introduce under New Business, which will allow an RFP to be sent seeking a vendor to supply pharmaceuticals to the jail population.

Finance, Assessment & Insurance Committee - Sprvr. Reynolds, Chairman. The only item on the agenda is budget amendment. The county manager also reviewed the tentative budget which was filed on October 18. A public hearing needs to be scheduled for the adoption of the budget.

Public Health Services Committee – Sprvr. Borst, Chairman. Three resolutions on the agenda: Accept \$21,791 from NYS Department of Health Special Health Care Needs Program grant for October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022; Accept \$719,282 from NYS Department of Health Public Health Corps Fellowship Program for the period September 1, 2021 through July 31, 2023 in the amount of \$719,282; and then a separate resolution for an Agreement with S2AY Rural Health Network for inclusion in the fellowship program

Public Works Committee – Sprvr. Trout, Chairman. We have three resolutions on the agenda tonight. The Snow and Ice agreement with Fayette; increase funding for highway snow and ice by an additional \$11,171.48 in funding; and the acquisition of Rt 414 sewer line from IDA and using American Recue Recovery Funds to pay for repairs, not to exceed \$48,000.

Personnel Committee – Sprvr. Ferrara, Chairman. On the agenda there are resolutions to create

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and fill 14 new positions; most are funded partially or wholly by state reimbursement: (4) Position for Mental Health Clinical Therapists; (4) Positions for Mental Health Peer Advocate; (1) position for Mental Health Program Director; (1) position for Senior Caseworker; (1) position for Social Welfare Examiner; (1) position for Fraud Investigator; (1) position for Employment and Training Counselor; and (1) position for Director of Preventive Health Services. The committee also approve refilling one (1) Full-time Caseworker Trainee for Division of Human Services and (1) Full-time Cleaner position for Facilities Department.

Mental Health Services Committee – Sprvr. Enslow, Chairman. For tonight’s meeting, the Board will consider amending our contract with our certified Peer Specialist who provides peer support services to individuals with substance use disorder. An increase in hours is necessary to satisfy clinic demand. The Mental Health Services committee approved an additional 166 contract hours at an additional \$2,000.

Under new business, I hope to introduce a resolution under Rule 29 to accept \$56,000 from NYS Office of Addiction Services & Support grant program.

Report of Special Committees

Seneca County IDA, Sprvr. Trout. The IDA adopted a new policy regarding ensuring we hire local at the prevailing wage; the contract with FLTV to livestream meetings was executed; The Lodi LLC project and Trelina solar project were approved.

Chairman’s Remarks

New York State announced the closing of six correctional facilities, including the Willard Drug Treatment Center. Chairman Hayssen contacted Acting Executive Deputy Commissioner Daniel Martuscello who confirmed the closing. The news was a surprise to our state representatives. Assemblyman Gallahan said the decision is final and urged the public to make their voices heard opposing the closure.

The Board photo 2020-2021 is scheduled for on December 14, 2021 prior to board meeting.

County Manager’s Remarks

None

County Attorney’s Remarks

County Attorney Ettman stated that the Rt. 414 sewer line has been transferred to Seneca County from the IDA.

Communications:

- 116. Copy of the 2022 Tentative Budget for Seneca County, NY.
- 117. Notification from The Halpin Firm, of public hearing: Application of Wilkins

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Recreational Vehicles, Inc to Seneca County IDA for financial assistance in connection with the acquisition of a leasehold interest in property located at 1070 St. Rte. 414, Town of Tyre, and County of Seneca, to construct a recreational vehicle sales dealership and service center and related amenities.

118. From Brandi Murray, resident, Town of Fayette, an email dated October 15, 2021, Subject: Filing Complaint, alleging that her dog's life was threatened by Dog Control Officer Dallyn Jenkins, in response to the dog being unleashed and recovered; and that Fayette Town Supervisor Garlick Lorenzetti dismissed her when she attempted to report the incident.

119. Copy of Livingston County Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 2021-320, "Supporting Operation Green Light for Active Military Service Members in Transition to Civilian Life (Veteran Status)".

120. From NYS Homeland Security and Emergency Services, notice of award \$17,869 under the FY2021 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG).

121. From NYS Homeland Security and Emergency Services, notice of award \$51,215 under the FY2021 State Homeland Security Program (SHSP).

122. Copy of Inter-County of Western NY, August 20, 2021 meeting minutes.

123. Copy of Seneca County Planning Board September 9, 2021 meeting minutes; and October 14, 2021 meeting minutes.

124. From Maren Hosmer, owner, Hosmer Winery, an email dated November 9, 2021, an email expressing support to allocate hotel-motel tax dollars to the Friends of the Three Bears in Ovid.

125. From Thomas & Kathleen Kral, home owner, Willard, NY, an email dated November 8, 2021 expressing support for a portion of the hotel-motel tax dollars is allocated to the Friends of the Three Bears, and to promote the unique heritage of Ovid and the southern portion of Seneca County.

126. From Bruce Murray, Owner, Boundary Breaks Vineyard, a copy of his oral comments supporting TPA funding to be more than 75% of occupancy tax; and SCACOT should be responsible for tourism goals.

RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZES AMENDMENTS TO
2021 SENECA COUNTY BUDGET**

RESOLUTION NO. 245-21, moved by Sprvr. Enslow, second by Sprvr. Borst and adopted.

WHEREAS, amendments to the 2021 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

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and Insurance Committee at its meeting on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes the following amendments to the 2021 Seneca County Budget:

Line Item	Description	Increase / (Decrease)	Revenue / Expenditure	\$
Note 1: Highway Road Construction Budget adjustment				
405110 51100	Maintenance Salary	Decrease	Expenditure	\$15,000
405110 51300	Overtime	Decrease	Expenditure	\$500
405110 58100	Retirement	Decrease	Expenditure	\$3,500
405110 58300	Social Security	Decrease	Expenditure	\$1,500
405110 58400	Workers Compensation	Decrease	Expenditure	\$500
405110 58600	Hospitalization	Decrease	Expenditure	\$7,700
405110 58700	Medicare	Decrease	Expenditure	\$300
405110 51200	Part Time	Increase	Expenditure	\$3,000
405112 51100	Road Construction Salaries	Increase	Expenditure	\$12,000
405112 51300	Overtime	Increase	Expenditure	\$500
405112 58100	Retirement	Increase	Expenditure	\$3,500
405112 58300	Social Security	Increase	Expenditure	\$1,500
405112 58400	Workers Compensation	Increase	Expenditure	\$500
405112 58600	Health Insurance	Increase	Expenditure	\$7,700
405112 58700	Medicare	Increase	Expenditure	\$300
Note 2: Emergency Disaster Budget adjustment				
10 3599	General Fund Balance	Decrease	Fund Balance	\$70,100
108760 51100	Emerg Disaster Full Time	Increase	Expenditure	\$46,000
108760 51200	Part Time	Increase	Expenditure	\$1,500
108760 54700	Contractual	Decrease	Expenditure	\$5,132
108760 54700-COVID	Contractual	Increase	Expenditure	\$5,132
108760 58100	Retirement	Increase	Expenditure	\$7,000
108760 58300	Social Security	Increase	Expenditure	\$2,600
08760 58400	Workers Comp	Increase	Expenditure	\$1,000
108760 58600	Health Insurance	Increase	Expenditure	\$11,000
108760 58700	Medicare	Increase	Expenditure	\$1,000
Note 3: Water Budget adjustment				
318310 51100	Salaries Full Time	Decrease	Expenditure	\$19,906
318310 51200	Salaries Part Time	Decrease	Expenditure	\$13,428
318310 54330	Professional Fees	Increase	Expenditure	\$33,334
Note 4: Public Health Budget adjustment				
104147 54700	Early Intervention	Decrease	Expenditure	\$27,700

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104010 54560	Liability & Other Insurance	Increase	Expenditure	\$27,700
Note 5: Worker's Compensation Budget adjustment				
601720 54700	Contractual Reserve	Decrease	Expenditure	\$16,800
601720 54210	Long term Medical	Decrease	Expenditure	\$52,200
601720 54200	Medical	Increase	Expenditure	\$65,000
601710 54700	Investigations	Increase	Expenditure	\$4,000
Note 6: County Attorney Budget adjustment				
109998 42660	Sale of Real Property	Increase	Revenue	\$150,000
101420 54330	Legal Fees	Increase	Expenditure	\$150,000
Note 7: DHS Budget adjustment				
106010 51100 SS01	Salaries Full Time TA	Decrease	Expenditure	\$30,000
106010 51300 SS02	Overtime Services	Decrease	Expenditure	\$12,000
106010 51200 SS01	Salaries Part Time TA	Increase	Expenditure	\$30,000
106010 51310 SS02	Oncall Services	Increase	Expenditure	\$12,000
106010 54700 SS20	Contractual	Decrease	Expenditure	\$11,000
106010 54200 SS30	Office Supplies	Increase	Expenditure	\$11,000
Note 8: Medical Insurance and Coroners Budget adjustments from Contingency				
101990 54700	Contingency	Decrease	Expenditure	\$11,220
109060 58600	Medical Insurance	Increase	Expenditure	\$4,220
101190 54380	Other Fees & Services	Increase	Expenditure	\$7,000

MENTAL HEALTH CONTRACT AMENDMENT

PEER SUPPORT SPECIALIST SERVICES

RESOLUTION NO. 246-21, moved by Sprvr. Enslow, second by Sprvr. Cleere and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Department of Mental Health Services contracts with Robert Shields, a certified Peer Specialist who provides peer support services to individuals with substance use disorder; and

WHEREAS, an additional one hundred and sixty six (166) contract hours are needed to support clinic demand for the remainder of the 2021 budget year; and

WHEREAS, this would increase the current contract by \$2,000 from \$20,004.00 to \$22,004.00; and

WHEREAS, the increased hours would be supported by collection of medical fees; and

WHEREAS, the contract was approved by the Mental Health Services Standing Committee on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize and direct the County Manager to sign the contract amendment for Robert Shields, Peer Support Specialist; and, be it further

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

Mental Health 104220.54350	Total Contract Amount (\$)	Rate (\$)	Hours
Rob Shields	22,004.00	12	1833

AUTHORIZE SNOW AND ICE AGREEMENT WITH TOWN OF FAYETTE

RESOLUTION NO. 247-21, moved by Sprvr. Trout, second by Sprvr. Brownell and adopted.

WHEREAS, Seneca County and the Town of Fayette have entered into a Snow and Ice Control Services Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the term of said Agreement is for a period of one year that shall commence on November 1, 2021 and shall expire on October 31, 2022, unless sooner terminated; and

WHEREAS, the term of the Agreement of materials or equipment shall be a minimum of one hundred thirty thousand dollars (\$130,000) but shall not exceed one hundred forty-two thousand dollars (\$142,000); and

WHEREAS, funding is in the 2022 tentative budget under account 405100-54380-SHPLW; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Standing Committee reviewed and approved this resolution on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes the County Manager to sign an agreement on behalf of the County of Seneca with the Town of Fayette.

**SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZE SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT AND ADJUSTMENT TO THE
ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE FOR SNOW & ICE 2021/2022**

RESOLUTION NO. 248-21, moved by Sprvr. Trout, second by Sprvr. Borst and adopted.

WHEREAS, per resolution 207-19 the New York State Commissioner of Transportation and Seneca County have entered into Agreement No. D014759 entitled "Snow and Ice Agreement between the New York State Department of Transportation and Seneca County; and

WHEREAS, the present term of the said agreement, is through June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Section 10 of the said agreement provides for an annual update of the estimated expenditure to be determined by the Commissioner which may require a supplemental agreement; and

WHEREAS, the recalculation indicates adding funding in the amount of \$11,171.48 to adjust the estimated expenditure to account for increases in labor, materials, equipment, and/or overall costs, per the terms in Paragraph 9 and 10 in the Original Agreement which does require a supplemental agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Standing Committee reviewed and approved this resolution on

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October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the original estimated expenditure of \$514,423.50 be adjusted with an increases of \$11,171.48 for a revised estimated expenditure of \$525,594.98; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County Manager to sign this Supplemental Agreement No. 1 between the County of Seneca and NYSDOT to fully execute the Agreement for the 2021/2022 season; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes and directs the Director of Finance to make the necessary budgetary and accounting entries to affect the intent of this resolution.

**ACQUISITION OF ROUTE 414 SEWER CONVEYANCE LINE FROM THE
SENECA COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

RESOLUTION NO. 249-21, moved by Sprvr. Trout, second by Sprvr. Borst and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Industrial Development Agency (IDA) did sponsor the construction of the Route 414 Sewer Conveyance Line (“Sewer Line”) from the northern boundary of the West Seneca Falls Sewer District along the Route 414 highway right-of-way to the Route 318/Route 414 intersection known as Magee’s corners; and

WHEREAS, said Sewer Line is important to the continued economic development of the Route 318/414 corridor for the benefit of the population of Seneca County; and

WHEREAS, the original plan to transfer ownership of the Sewer Line from the IDA to the Town of Tyre is now better suited to the ownership and operation of the said Sewer Line by Seneca County, in conjunction with Sewer District No. 3, the Route 318 Sewer Conveyance Line; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was approved by the Public Works Standing Committee at its meeting on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, Seneca County hereby accepts the offer by the IDA to accept ownership of the Route 414 Sewer Conveyance Line, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Seneca County Manager to complete the acquisition of the aforesaid property and assets from the Seneca County Industrial Development Agency.

**ALLOCATION OF AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT FUNDS FOR
PHASE 1 REPAIRS TO THE ROUTE 414 SEWER CONVEYANCE LINE**

RESOLUTION NO. 250-21, moved by Sprvr. Trout, second by Sprvr. Borst and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Industrial Development Agency (IDA) did sponsor the construction of the Route 414 Sewer Conveyance Line (“Sewer Line”) from the northern boundary of the

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West Seneca Falls Sewer District along the Route 414 highway right-of-way to the Route 318/Route 414 intersection known as Magee's corners; and

WHEREAS, it having come to the attention of this Board by way of a study done by Hunt Engineers that certain repairs are needed to said Sewer Line to maintain its continued service, and that such repairs can be made in two phases to address the critical deficiencies; and

WHEREAS, funds have been made available to the County through the American Rescue Plan Act for which this project qualifies; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was approved by the Public Works Standing Committee at its meeting on October 26, 2021; now therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes that American Rescue Plan Act funds, not to exceed \$48,000.00, be allocated for Phase 1 repairs to the Route 414 Sewer Conveyance Line, following its acquisition by the County from the Seneca County IDA.

AUTHORIZE APPLICATION FOR HAZARD MITIGATION PLANNING GRANT

RESOLUTION NO. 251-21, moved by Sprvr. Brownell, second by Sprvr. Trout and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Office of Emergency Management has received notification from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services about the opportunity to apply for a Hazard Mitigation Planning Grant; and

WHEREAS, this grant will provide for the revision of the Seneca County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan required by FEMA; and

WHEREAS, FEMA requires municipalities to have an updated and approved Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan to be eligible for FEMA Hazard Mitigation grants; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan is set to expire in 2023; and

WHEREAS, FEMA is authorizing up to \$150,000 in total costs for the Project, with a 75% Federal share and a local matching share of 25% of the total award, to be in the form of In-Kind Services, over the two year period of the grant; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Standing Committee reviewed and approved this resolution on October 26, 2021; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby approve applying for the grant, and authorizes the County Manager to sign any and all documents as required by the New York State Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services and FEMA.

COUNTY EXECUTES STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS GRANT

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CONTRACT WITH NYS DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY SERVICES

RESOLUTION NO. 252-21, moved by Sprvr. Brownell, second by Sprvr. Cleere and adopted.

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) awarded Seneca County \$390,201 in grant funding through the 2020 Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant (SICG) Program; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this grant funding is for interoperable communications; and

WHEREAS, there are plans to use this funding for radio enhancements and interoperability; and

WHEREAS, this grant has an initial contract period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2023 that requires no local match; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Standing Committee at its meeting on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes and directs the County Manager to sign any and all documents necessary to execute a contract with the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services (DHSES) to accept the 2020 Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Department of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to amend the 2021 budget as follows with unused portions flowing into future years.

Account Number	Account Description	Amount
103642-43306-SIC20	Homeland Security Grants	\$390,201 Increase
103642-52500-SIC20	Equipment-Communications	\$390,201 Increase

AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT

2021 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT

RESOLUTION NO. 253-21, moved by Sprvr. Brownell, second by Sprvr. Borst and adopted.

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services has awarded the Seneca County Office of Emergency Management a FY 2021 Emergency Management Performance Grant for \$17,869.00; and

WHEREAS, this grant is used to offset expenses related to the operation of the Office of Emergency Management; and

WHEREAS, Seneca County has participated in this grant program for over 20 years; and

WHEREAS, this grant revenue is accounted for in Revenue line 103640-43305 and has a thirty-six (36) month performance period; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Standing Committee

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at its meeting on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes and directs the County Manager to sign any and all documents as required by the New York State Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Services for Seneca County to receive funding from the FY 2021 Emergency Management Performance Grant; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Department of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to make the necessary budgetary and accounting entries to affect the intent of this resolution with unused portions flowing into future years.

**AGREEMENT WITH NYS POLICE FOR
USE OF SENECA COUNTY FIRE TRAINING CENTER**

RESOLUTION NO. 254-21, moved by Sprvr. Brownell, second by Sprvr. Trout and adopted.

WHEREAS, the New York State Police have requested the opportunity to utilize space at the Seneca County Fire Training Center in Romulus to be used as their police substation and training facility; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Police have been using this space for many years and previously had a use agreement with the Seneca County Industrial Development Agency; and

WHEREAS, in lieu of a fee, the New York State Police will pay for all utilities (electric, gas, telephone) and shall be solely responsible for maintaining all utility services throughout the duration of the lease; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Standing Committee at its meeting on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes and directs the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors to execute a ten (10) year use agreement with the New York State Police for the use of the Seneca County Fire Training Center in Romulus to be used as their police substation.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DECLARES THAT UPGRADES TO SENECA COUNTY SEWER
DISTRICT NO. 1 PLANT AND INFRASTRUCTURE BY SENECA COUNTY WILL NOT HAVE
AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT**

RESOLUTION NO. 255-21, moved by Sprvr. Borst, second by Sprvr. Barnhart and adopted.

WHEREAS, upgrades and improvements to the Plant and infrastructure in Seneca County Sewer District No. 1 are necessary and required; and

WHEREAS, the upgrades and improvements are a Type I action under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors has established itself as Lead Agency for

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SEQRA purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors has determined that the upgrades and improvements to Sewer District No. 1 facilities and infrastructure by Seneca County will not have an adverse impact on the environment; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Water and Sewer Treatment and Operations Standing Committee on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors determines that the upgrades and improvements to Sewer District No. 1 facilities and infrastructure by Seneca County will not have an adverse impact on the environment and hereby issues a Negative Declaration under SEQRA.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DECLARES THAT UPGRADES TO SENECA COUNTY SEWER
DISTRICT NO. 2 PLANT AND INFRASTRUCTURE BY SENECA COUNTY WILL NOT HAVE
AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT**

RESOLUTION NO. 256-21, moved by Sprvr. Borst, second by Sprvr. Ferrara and adopted.

WHEREAS, upgrades and improvements to the Plant and infrastructure in Seneca County Sewer District No. 2 are necessary and required; and

WHEREAS, the upgrades and improvements are a Type I action under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors has established itself as Lead Agency for SEQRA purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors has determined that the upgrades and improvements to Sewer District No. 2 facilities and infrastructure by Seneca County will not have an adverse impact on the environment; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Water and Sewer Treatment and Operations Standing Committee on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors determines that the upgrades and improvements to Sewer District No. 2 facilities and infrastructure by Seneca County will not have an adverse impact on the environment and hereby issues a Negative Declaration under SEQRA.

**2021 WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT ACT
RESOLUTION REGARDING SENECA COUNTY, NY
SEWER DISTRICT #1 IMPROVEMENTS**

RESOLUTION NO. 257-21, moved by Sprvr. Borst, second by Sprvr. Barnhart and adopted.

WHEREAS, Seneca County (hereinafter the "County") maintains Sewer District #1, a Municipal Sewer System; and

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WHEREAS, the County proposes to undertake the Sewer District #1 Improvement Project; and
WHEREAS, the Preliminary Engineering Report prepared by Barton & Loguidice established a total project cost estimate of \$8,799,000; and

WHEREAS, the County is seeking financial assistance through the 2021 NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation's Water Infrastructure Improvement Act Program; and

WHEREAS, the grant application requires that the applicant adopt a resolution that authorizes: the undertaking of the project and the maximum total cost of the project; expenditures for the project, including identification of any non-municipal source of funds; obligation of funds necessary to meet any required local match, including any cash and/or in-kind services; and when applicable, the submission of an application for financial assistance. The resolution must also designate a representative of the applicant who is authorized to sign the funding agreement with EFC and any associated documents; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been reviewed and recommended for approval by the Water and Sewer Treatment Management and Operations Committee at its Meeting on October 26, 2021; now therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County authorizes the undertaking of the Project and the maximum total cost of the project \$8,799,000; and when applicable, the submission of an application for financial assistance; and be it further

RESOLVED that the County authorizes preparation and submission of an application for grant funding under the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation's Water Infrastructure Improvement Act Program on behalf of the County; and be it further

RESOLVED that the County Manager is authorized to execute a Grant Agreement with the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation and any and all other contracts, documents and instruments necessary to bring about the Project and to fulfill the County's obligations under the Water Infrastructure Improvement Act Grant Agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Manager is authorized to execute expenditures for the Project under the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation's Water Infrastructure Improvement Act Program on behalf of the County.

**2021 WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT ACT
RESOLUTION REGARDING SENECA COUNTY, NY
SEWER DISTRICT #2 IMPROVEMENTS**

RESOLUTION NO. 258-21, moved by Sprvr. Borst, second by Sprvr. Barnhart and adopted.

WHEREAS, Seneca County (hereinafter the "County") maintains Sewer District #2, a Municipal

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Sewer System; and

WHEREAS, the County proposes to undertake the Sewer District #2 Improvement Project; and

WHEREAS, the Preliminary Engineering Report prepared by Barton & Loguidice established a total project cost estimate of \$11,990,000; and

WHEREAS, the County is seeking financial assistance through the 2021 NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation's Water Infrastructure Improvement Act Program; and

WHEREAS, the grant application requires that the applicant adopt a resolution that authorizes: the undertaking of the project and the maximum total cost of the project; expenditures for the project, including identification of any non-municipal source of funds; obligation of funds necessary to meet any required local match, including any cash and/or in-kind services; and when applicable, the submission of an application for financial assistance. The resolution must also designate a representative of the applicant who is authorized to sign the funding agreement with EFC and any associated documents; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been reviewed and recommended for approval by the Water and Sewer Treatment Management and Operations Committee at its Meeting on October 26, 2021; now therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County authorizes the undertaking of the Project and the maximum total cost of the project \$11,990,000; and when applicable, the submission of an application for financial assistance; and be it further

RESOLVED that the County authorizes preparation and submission of an application for grant funding under the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation's Water Infrastructure Improvement Act Program on behalf of the County; and be it further

RESOLVED that the County Manager is authorized to execute a Grant Agreement with the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation and any and all other contracts, documents and instruments necessary to bring about the Project and to fulfill the County's obligations under the Water Infrastructure Improvement Act Grant Agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Manager is authorized to execute expenditures for the Project under the NYS Environmental Facilities Corporation's Water Infrastructure Improvement Act Program on behalf of the County.

AUTHORIZE CREATION / FILLING OF FOUR MENTAL HEALTH CLINICAL THERAPISTS

RESOLUTION NO. 259-21, moved by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Barnhart and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Mental Health Department, and the Director of Community Services have identified the need to create and fill four (4) full time Mental Health Clinical Therapists to operate within

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the Crisis Response Program; and

WHEREAS, the Crisis Response Team will provide crisis response services to persons in Seneca County experiencing a mental health or substance use crisis; and

WHEREAS, four (4) positions are needed to staff four (4) response teams providing 24/7 response services; and

WHEREAS, the positions are paid in full for two (2) years by SAMHSA grant. Once the grant has ended, all services provided by staff will be billable through insurance; and

WHEREAS, this position has been approved and reviewed by the Vacancy Committee and the Personnel Standing Committee on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approves the creation and filling of four (4) full time Mental Health Clinical Therapists.

AUTHORIZE CREATION / FILLING OF ONE MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM DIRECTOR

RESOLUTION NO. 261-21, moved by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Reynolds and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Mental Health Department, and the Director of Community Services have identified the need to create and one (1) full-time Mental Health Program Director to operate the Crisis Response Program and Telehealth Program; and

WHEREAS, the Program Director will be responsible for program development, implementation and ongoing evaluation of The Crisis Response and Telehealth Program; and

WHEREAS, the position will work with the Director of Community Services to recruit and hire all program staff and will provide ongoing supervision to all program staff. The position will also be responsible for direct care of clients; and

WHEREAS, the position will be supervised directly by the Director of Community Services and will assist the DCS in development of all program policies and procedures; and

WHEREAS, the position is paid in full for two (2) years by SAMHSA grant. Once the grant has ended, the Program Director will be responsible, in partnership with the DCS, for acquisition of additional funding resources to help support the program; and

WHEREAS, this position has been approved and reviewed by the Vacancy Committee and the Personnel Standing Committee on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approve the creation and filling of one (1) full-time Program Director for The Crisis Response and Telehealth Program.

AUTHORIZE CREATION / FILLING OF ONE SENIOR CASEWORKER

RESOLUTION NO. 262-21, moved by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Borst and adopted.

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WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services, and the Commissioner have identified the need to create and fill one (1) full-time Senior Caseworker based on promotion; and

WHEREAS, the promotion was recommended for Lisa Ganz by the Supervisors as a result of over three years of service as an Adult Protective Services Caseworker; and

WHEREAS, the position is reimbursable at sixty two (62) percent, and

WHEREAS, the position has monies budgeted in the 2021 budget line 106010-51100-SS02; and

WHEREAS, this position has been approved and reviewed by the Vacancy Committee and the Personnel Standing Committee on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approve the creation and filling of one (1) full-time Senior Caseworker; and be it further

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

AUTHORIZE CREATION / FILLING OF ONE SOCIAL WELFARE EXAMINER

RESOLUTION NO. 263-21, moved by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Brownell and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services, and the Commissioner have identified the need to create and fill one (1) full time Social Welfare Examiner to operate within the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Unit; and

WHEREAS, the previous position was abolished to create two part-time positions based on the findings from the Bonadio Audit, and shared between the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) Unit and the SNAP Unit; and

WHEREAS, the part-time model is no longer sustainable as the HEAP program has expanded the programs time range to a nine (9) to twelve (12) month program, as well as the growing number of SNAP applicants; and

WHEREAS, the Social Welfare position within the SNAP Unit will provide additional services to the growing population of SNAP applicants and under care case management that has expanded by four hundred (400) to five hundred (500) cases in the last two years; and

WHEREAS, the position has monies budgeted in the 2021 budget line 106010-51100-SS01; and

WHEREAS, this position has been approved and reviewed by the Vacancy Committee and the Personnel Standing Committee on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approves the creation and filling of one (1) full-time Social Welfare Examiner for the SNAP Unit; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Finance Department is authorized to make the necessary budgetary and

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account entries to affect the intent of this resolution.

AUTHORIZE CREATION / FILLING OF ONE POSITION FOR FRAUD INVESTIGATOR

RESOLUTION NO. 264-21, moved by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Brownell and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services, and the Commissioner have identified the need to create and fill one (1) part time Fraud Investigator; and

WHEREAS, the position request is a result of a pending retirement in 2022 with the current Fraud Investigator, training will be available throughout the year for the incumbent; and

WHEREAS, the Fraud Investigation Unit currently consists of one (1) part-time employee and the incumbent will assume all hours and duties once the current staff member retires; and

WHEREAS, the position of Social Services Investigator is a very effective tool used for combating Welfare Fraud, and saved the county \$240,208.08 last year; and

WHEREAS, the number of hours and total combined salary will not exceed what budgeted unless necessary for investigation purposes, the position has monies budgeted in the 2021 budget line 106010-51100-SS01; and

WHEREAS, this position has been approved and reviewed by the Vacancy Committee and the Personnel Standing Committee on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approve the creation and filling of one (1) part-time Fraud Investigator; and be it further

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

**AUTHORIZE ELIMINATION (1) EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING ASSISTANT & THE
CREATION & FILLING OF (1) EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING COUNSELOR**

RESOLUTION NO. 265-21, moved by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Enslow and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services, and the Commissioner have identified the need to eliminate one Employment & Training (E&T) Assistant and to create and fill one (1) full-time Employment & Training Counselor; and

WHEREAS, the current E&T Assistant has resigned the position; and

WHEREAS, the current needs of the Workforce Development & Youth Bureau is to create and fill one full time E&T Counselor able to perform in depth interviews, assessments, and develops individualized service and employment plans; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Temporary Assistance and Disability Assistance has increased case management activities and supervised job searches with mandated customers; and

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WHEREAS, the position is funded through WIOA, TANF/SNAP, and FFFS (Temporary Assistance Flexible), the position has monies budgeted in the 2021 budget line 206011-51100; and

WHEREAS, this position has been approved and reviewed by the Vacancy Committee and the Personnel Standing Committee on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approve the elimination of one (1) E&T Assistant, and the creation and filling of one (1) full time E&T Counselor; and be it further

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

**AUTHORIZE CREATION / FILLING OF (1) FULL-TIME DIRECTOR
OF PREVENTIVE HEALTH SERVICES**

RESOLUTION NO. 266-21, moved by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Borst and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Health Department has received funding in the amount of \$719,282 for the NYS Public Health Corps Fellowship Program; and

WHEREAS, this funding provides funding for four Fellows for a two year period; and

WHEREAS, these fellows are to be utilized to augment the LHD capacity to respond to current and emerging public health emergencies and to improve outreach and assistance to vulnerable populations; and

WHEREAS, the department needs to have a senior level nurse to provide supervision and guidance to the nursing staff and will be responsible for the management of the public health programs and all clinic activities; and

WHEREAS, this individual will also manage the COVID-19 response to include surveillance, monitoring the isolation and quarantine of individuals if necessary as well as the continuing vaccination efforts; and

WHEREAS, this position will be totally grant funded through July 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, this position has been approved by the vacancy and personnel committee; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approve the creation of one full-time Director of Preventive Services; and be it further

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

**ACCEPT NYS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CHILDREN & YOUTH WITH SPECIAL
HEALTH CARE NEEDS ADMINISTRATION GRANT**

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RESOLUTION NO. 267-21, moved by Sprvr. Borst, second by Sprvr. Brownell and adopted.

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health has awarded the Seneca County Health Department \$21,791 for the period October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022 for the administration of the Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs Program; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the contract to be signed to receive the funding; and

WHEREAS, the funds are in the health department budget 10-4010-54701; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Standing Committee has reviewed and approved this resolution on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager is hereby authorized and directed to sign a contract with the New York State Department of Health for the Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs Administration Grant; and be it further

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

**CONTRACT WITH NYS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR
NYS PUBLIC HEALTH CORPS (PHC) FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

RESOLUTION NO. 268-21, moved by Sprvr. Borst, second by Sprvr. Reynolds and adopted.

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health has awarded the Seneca County Health Department \$719,282 for the period Sept. 1, 2021 through July 31, 2023 for the Public Health Corps Fellowship Program; and

WHEREAS, this grant will supply funding to be used by the Health Department to recruit, train, deploy and manage New York State Public Health Corps Fellows; and

WHEREAS, the intention of the grant is to augment the local health department's capacity to respond to current and emerging public health emergencies and to improve outreach and assistance to vulnerable populations, and to directly assist with the local COVID-19 public health response (testing, contact tracing, vaccination, prevention campaigns, and community education); and

WHEREAS, the Fellowship program will match and place four fellows in Seneca County to assist in this work; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Standing Committee has reviewed and approved this resolution, now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes and directs the County Manager to sign the contract with the New York State Department of Health for the NYS Public Health Corps Fellowship Program for the period September 1, 2021 through July 31, 2023 in the amount of \$719,282.; and be it

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further

RESOLVED, that the Department of Finance be authorized to make the necessary budgetary and accounting entries to effect the intent of this resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, that any unused funds from the grant program will flow to future years.

**AGREEMENT WITH THE S2AY RURAL HEALTH NETWORK FOR
NYS PUBLIC HEALTH CORPS FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM**

RESOLUTION NO. 269-21, moved by Sprvr. Borst, second by Sprvr. Barnhart and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Health Department has received funding in the amount of \$719,282 for the NYS Public Health Corps Fellowship Program; and

WHEREAS, this funding provides funding for four Fellows for a two year period to augment the local health department's capacity; and

WHEREAS, three of these fellows will be hired by the S2AY Rural Health Network; and

WHEREAS, the Health Department will sub-contract with the S2AY Rural Health Network for the fellows; and

WHEREAS, this sub-contract will be totally grant funded through July 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, this agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Public Health Standing Committee on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager is hereby authorized and directed to sign an agreement with the S2AY Rural Health Network for the NYS Public Health Fellowship Program for an amount not to exceed \$354,586 for the period November 1, 2021 through July 31, 2023; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Department of Finance be authorized to make the necessary budgetary and accounting entries to effect the intent of this resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that any unused funds from the grant program will flow to future years.

**REAPPOINT MEMBERS TO THE FINGER LAKES REGIONAL
AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

RESOLUTION NO. 270-21, moved by Sprvr. Barnhart, second by Sprvr. Cleere and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Finger Lakes Regional Airport (the Airport) is a Seneca County owned facility servicing the general aviation needs of business and recreational users in Seneca County and the region; and

WHEREAS, the Finger Lakes Regional Airport Advisory Committee was established by the Seneca County Board of Supervisors to advise and make recommendations in all matters relating to the operation of the Airport; and

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WHEREAS, the Finger Lakes Regional Airport Advisory Committee has recommended that Jill Henry, Vern Sessler, Jr., Dr. Kenneth Padgett, Don Earle, Nelson Ronsvalle, and Peter Same be reappointed to the Finger Lakes Regional Airport Advisory Committee for a term of three (3) years as their current terms expired on October 21, 2021; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Planning, Development, Agriculture, and Tourism Standing Committee on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby reappoint Jill Henry, Vern Sessler, Jr., Dr. Kenneth Padgett, Don Earle, Nelson Ronsvalle, and Peter Same to the Finger Lakes Regional Airport Advisory Committee effective October 22, 2021 through October 21, 2024.

AUTHORIZE SENECA COUNTY “GAIN” LOAN TO MURANDA LLC

RESOLUTION NO. 271-21, moved by Sprvr. Barnhart, second by Sprvr. Ferrara and adopted.

WHEREAS, the “GAIN” (Growing the Agriculture Industry Now!) revolving loan program has been established through the New York State Urban Development Corporation d/b/a New York State Empire Development Corporation (NYS ESD); and

WHEREAS, in 2016, Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council (G/FLRPC) was awarded a \$3,000,000 grant to implement the “GAIN” revolving loan program with Seneca County receiving \$218,000 under a Sub-recipient Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Seneca County received a “GAIN” revolving loan program application from Muranda LLC, owned by Thomas Murray, to purchase equipment that will allow the company to establish a cheese processing facility in Seneca County; and

WHEREAS, the application was reviewed by the Seneca County Loan Review Committee on October 13, 2021, and was found to be satisfactory and in compliance with regulations and guidelines applicable to the “GAIN” revolving loan program; and

WHEREAS, the loan will total no more than \$200,000.00, less any balance due on the Muranda current GAIN Loan, payable at one percent (1%) interest for seven (7) years; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Planning, Development, Agriculture, and Tourism Committee on October 26, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors approve a GAIN loan, which shall not exceed \$200,000.00, less any balance due on the Muranda current GAIN Loan, at one percent (1%) interest for seven (7) years to Muranda LLC under the NYS ESD “GAIN” revolving loan program, under the terms and conditions provided for such loans established by the NYS ESD and administered through the Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council; and be it further

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RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorize the County Manager to sign any and all documents necessary to effectuate the intent of this resolution; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Department of Finance is authorized and directed to make the necessary budgetary and accounting entries.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZE THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD TO SIGN
MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH SENECA COUNTY TOWNS AND VILLAGES
REGARDING ITEMS TO BE SENT TO THE SENECA COUNTY PLANNING BOARD**

RESOLUTION NO. 272-21, moved by Sprvr. Barnhart, second by Sprvr. Ferrara and adopted.

WHEREAS, that in 2012 the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorized the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Seneca County and the local towns and villages regarding what items are to be forwarded to the County Planning Board for review; and

WHEREAS, since that time, some positive additions to the list in the Memorandum of Understanding have been identified; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 64-21, the Seneca County Planning Board requested that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes the Chairman of the Board to sign the attached Memorandum of Understanding with any or all local Seneca County towns or villages; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Planning, Development, Agriculture, and Tourism Committee on October 26, 2021, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorize the Chairman of the Board to sign the attached Memorandum of Understanding with any or all Seneca County towns and villages upon adoption by those communities.

Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding is made between the County of Seneca whose offices are located at One DiPronio Drive, Waterloo, NY 13165 (and hereafter referred to as the County) and the Board of the (Town/Village) of _____ whose offices are located at _____ (and hereafter known as the Local Board).

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding is to establish mutually beneficial procedures whereby some items listed in the New York State General Municipal Law (GML) section 239 to be reviewed by the County Planning Board may be acted on by the Local Board of jurisdiction without review by the Seneca County Planning Board.

If a Local Municipality wishes to have either the staff of the Seneca County Department of Planning and Community Development or the County Planning Board to review an action covered by this Memorandum of Understanding it may request said review.

The County Planning Board, by study of its past actions and of potential development, has determined that the following categories of action have negligible possibility for inter-community or countywide impacts.

Granting a Special or Conditional Use Permit for the construction, expansion, or placement of minor accessory/appurtenant residential structures, including garages, carports, patios, decks, swimming pools, tennis courts, satellite dishes, fences, barns, storage sheds, or other buildings not changing land use or density.

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Granting of Individual Setback, Lot Line Variances, or Area Variance(s) for a single-family, two-family or three-family residence; or for structures accessory to single-family homes including as listed above.

Lot Line Adjustment Subdivision: Transfer of less than ¼ of an acre of property, or strip of property less than 20' wide to the adjacent land owner as long as the transferring lot is not and will not become non-conforming under current lot size requirements, and meets the setback requirements of the Local Zoning and the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code, whichever is stricter.

Minor Subdivision which contains a maximum of four (4) lots and is defined by the local municipality as a "minor subdivision", does not front on a State or County Road, is not within 500' of a County facility, and does not call for the development of any land that has been in agricultural production in the last two (2) years and any existing buildings will meet the setback requirements of the Local Zoning, and the New York State Uniform Fire Prevention and Building Code, whichever is more strict.

Minor Subdivision to Separate a Homestead (house and accessory structures) of less than 3 acres from property which is actively being used for agricultural purposes.

Administrative Zoning Text Amendments which do not change the uses allowed within a portion or all of the Town/Village, whether these uses require a special permit review, and does not change any setback requirements. This is intended to cover changes in application fees, titles of Town Enforcement Officers, and review time frames that correspond to State law.

Site Plan Reviews of Commercial/Business development that meet all of the following: a) Less than three (3) acres of land to be developed, b) Less than one (1) acre to be taken out of agricultural production, in a State approved agricultural district, c) Less than five (5) employees and d) Does not have frontage on, or is greater than 500' from a State or County Road.

Special Permit/Permits for Signs that Meet the Criteria of the Local Zoning Regulations and/or Sign Regulations, and that do not require a variance.

Special Permits for co-location of an additional antenna on an existing cell or radio tower.

Special Permits or Site Plan Review for small home based businesses that will generate less than four (4) roundtrips per day and make no exterior changes to the property, except signs as permitted in the community.

Site Plan Review for Short Term Rentals when the local municipality has their own regulations, and there is to be no exterior modifications to the site layout.

(It is also noted that by State law the following do not require review, interpreting an existing code, rule or regulation, or adoption of a moratorium on land development or construction.)

The Local Board agrees to submit all other items as listed in Sections 239 l, m & n of the New York State General Municipal Law by the close of business, of the Seneca County Department of Planning and Community Development, at least eight (8) days before the regularly scheduled County Planning Board meeting, and agrees that any item filed after that date has forty-two (42) days to be reviewed by the County Planning Board.

The Local Planning or Zoning Boards will within thirty (30) days after final action, file a report of the final action it has taken with the County Planning Board. A Local Board which acts contrary to a recommendation of denial or approval with conditions shall set forth the reasons for the contrary action in such report.

The County Planning Board will once a year provide the Clerk or Chairman of the Local Board with a listing of regularly scheduled meetings.

These procedures shall become effective ten (10) days after the authorized representatives of both parties have signed this document. It shall be in effect until: one (1) month after either party notifies the other that they will no longer be participating, one (1) of the parties is dissolved, or both parties agree to a modification.

**BOARD AMENDS POLICY FOR ANNUAL APPROPRIATION
OF THE TOURISM PROMOTION AGENCY**

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RESOLUTION NO. 273-21, moved by Sprvr. Barnhart, second by Sprvr. Garlick Lorenzetti and adopted by 473 ayes (Barnhart, Reynolds, Brownell, Borst, Ferrara, McGreevy, Hayssen, Trout, Cleere, and Enslow); and 89 nays (Garlick Lorenzetti), and 188 not present (Hayes, Kronenwetter, and Lott).

WHEREAS, Seneca County Board of Supervisor Resolution No. 230-21 designated the Seneca County Chamber of Commerce (SCCC) the Tourism Promotion Agency (TPA) for 2022; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of Seneca County to maintain a viable TPA for the promotion of tourism and the pursuit of sustained economic benefit from the second largest industry in the county; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest for the TPA to have a known funding stream for annual operations; and

WHEREAS, the Planning, Development, Agriculture and Tourism committee adopted a Policy to fund the TPA at 90% of annual Hotel Motel Occupancy Tax revenue on December 12, 2017; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors recognizes that there are other priorities that Hotel Motel Tax revenue can support beyond funding TPA activities; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been reviewed and recommended for approval by the Planning, Development, Agriculture and Tourism Standing Committee at its meeting on October 26, 2021; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors amends the TPA Funding Policy in support of the TPA with an annual appropriation for funding TPA operations derived from the past four calendar quarters of known revenue and equal to 85% of that revenue.

Amendment to Main Motion: Prior to adoption, Sprvr. Trout offered motion, second by Sprvr. Barnhart to amend the Main Motion, by replacing text 75% in the resolved clause to 85%. Motion was carried by 473 ayes, 89 nays (Garlick Lorenzetti), and 188 not present (Hayes, Kronenwetter, and Lott).

Discussion Resolution No. 273-21: The Majority of funding goes toward digital marketing, more money spent will attract more visitors. Sprvr. Barnhart suggested a breakdown of how 15% could be allocated: Host compliance \$20K; the County tourism grant program generated \$5K - \$7K in awards for this year, so we do not need to fund the grant program with \$40K. Three Bears is seeking \$70K. He said he was uncomfortable reducing the TPA allotment by too much and unable to fund digital marketing. Now that Seneca County can use TPA funds for projects that support tourism (i.e. infrastructure; clean water), Sprvr. Barnhart also proposed that the county fund membership dues for all county municipalities in the Cayuga Lake and Seneca Lake watersheds to insure the watersheds are funded and to alleviate the cost to the towns and villages. The lakes are the primary tourism draw and the county is between both lakes. New York State passed \$8 billion in state funding for infrastructure and the federal government

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plans to offer funding dollars as well. Sprvr. Garlick Lorenzetti said downstate will be the recipient of most of the eight billion. She was firm about a 75% TPA allotment, other outside agencies receive a far less amount and attributed the 2020-2021 increase was due to the pandemic and not necessarily to marketing. Sprvr. Ferrara noted that \$200,000 will do very little toward infrastructure, but we could do a lot with that amount.

**CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAYUGA CENTERS FOR MULTISYSTEMIC
THERAPY (MST) AND SENECA COUNTY DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES**

RESOLUTION NO. 274-21, moved by Sprvr. McGreevy, second by Sprvr. Borst and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Division of Human Services will contract with Cayuga Centers for Multisystemic Therapy (MST) in 2022; and

WHEREAS, MST is an intensive family and community-based treatment for serious juvenile offenders with possible substance abuse issues and their families; and

WHEREAS, the services to be provided are an intensive family and community-based treatment for juvenile offenders and other at-risk youth with possible substance abuse issues and their families; the primary goals of this evidence based programming is to decrease youth criminal behavior and out-of-home placements; and

WHEREAS, the primary services to be provided will be:

- Targets youth, aged 11-18, at risk for and/or presenting with chronic, delinquent, and/or substance abusing juvenile offenders at risk of out-of-home placement due to the delinquency, violence, substance use, and mental health disorders,
- Reduced long-term rates of criminal offending in serious juvenile offenders,
- Reduced rates of out-of-home placements for serious juvenile offenders,
- Extensive improvements in family functioning,
- Decreased mental health problems for serious juvenile offenders,
- Favorable outcomes at cost savings in comparison with usual mental health and juvenile justice services,
- Specially target those Juvenile offenders who fall into Raise the Age requirements and legislation;

And

WHEREAS, research has repeatedly demonstrated that evidence-based prevention services result in substantially more positive, long-term outcomes for youth as compared to higher levels of care, out-of-home placements, and especially congregate care placements. Additionally, out-of-home placements are significantly more costly to states and localities than preventive programs.

Estimated Seneca MST Program Cost Breakdown

Share	Cost	Percentage
Local	\$47,500	19%

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State	\$77,500	31%
Federal	\$125,000	50%
Total	\$250,000	100%

WHEREAS, the cost of this program is in the proposed 2022 budget under account code is 106070-54700-POS27; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Human Services Standing Committee at their October 26, 2021 meeting; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors authorizes the County Manager to sign the approval of the contract with Cayuga Centers for Multisystemic Therapy (MST) and other related services; and be it further

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

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PROCLAIMS NOVEMBER 2021 ADOPTION MONTH IN SENECA COUNTY

RESOLUTION NO. 275-21, moved by Sprvr. McGreevy, second by Sprvr. Enslow and adopted.

WHEREAS, National Adoption Month is November 2021 promoting national awareness of adoption and the children waiting for adoption, celebrating children and families involved in adoption, and encouraging safety, permanency, and well-being for all children; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors expresses support for National Adoption Month and National Adoption Day and encourages people to consider adoption to increase the number of children living in safe permanent homes; and

WHEREAS, there are far too many un-parented children in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System Report on fiscal year 2019 foster care and adoption population characteristics (referred to as the "AFCARS report") indicates that there are approximately 423,997 children in the foster care system in the United States, approximately 122,216 of whom are waiting for adoption; and

WHEREAS, the AFCARS report indicates that:

- 1) 65 percent of the children in foster care in the United States are 10 years of age or younger;
- 2) the average length of time a child spends in foster care is approximately 25 months;
- 3) in fiscal year 2019, approximately 23,000 youth "aged out" of foster care by reaching adulthood without being placed in a permanent home; and

WHEREAS, for many foster children, the wait for a loving family in which they are nurtured,

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comforted, and protected seems endless; and

WHEREAS, National Adoption Day has been celebrated as a collective national effort to find permanent and loving families for children in the foster care system, where in 2020 on national adoption day 4,000 adoptions were finalized on the Saturday before Thanksgiving; and

WHEREAS, the Saturday before Thanksgiving has been recognized as National Adoption Day since at least 2000, and, in 2021, the Saturday before Thanksgiving is November 20; and

WHEREAS, the Human Services Standing Committee reviewed and approved this resolution at their October 26, 2021 meeting; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors:

- 1) supports the goals and ideals of National Adoption Month and National Adoption Day;
- 2) recognizes that every child should have a permanent, safe and loving family; and
- 3) Encourages support of those that want to consider adoption during the month of November and throughout the year.

And be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors proclaims November 2021 as Adoption Month in Seneca County.

Unfinished Business

- a. Authorize Transfer of Properties to Finger Lakes Regional Land Bank Corporation (PDAT) - Postponed at the 9/14 board meeting until tax foreclosure auction is ready

New Business

RULE 29: Sprvr. Trout offer a motion, second by Sprvr. Borst for the passage of Rule 29 for any and all business to come before the board. Rule 29 carried by a 2 /3 majority of the Board members present.

**ACCEPT NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF ADDICTIONS SERVICES AND SUPPORT
(OASAS) PREVENTION SERVICES GRANT**

RESOLUTION NO. 276-21, moved by Sprvr. Enslow, second by Sprvr. Reynolds and adopted.

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Addictions Services & Support awarded Seneca County \$56,100 for Prevention Services funding to support continued primary prevention infrastructure development; and

WHEREAS, this award requires no match from Seneca County; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been considered pursuant to Rule 29 of the Rules of Order of the Board of Supervisors; now, therefore be it

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RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes the acceptance \$56,000 in funding from NYS OASAS Prevention Services grant; and directs the County Manager to sign all necessary documents to accept said funding; and therefore be it further

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes and directs the Finance Department to make the necessary budgetary and accounting entries to effect the intent of this resolution.

**AUTHORIZE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE PHARMACEUTICALS AND
RELATED OVER THE COUNTER MEDICATIONS FOR THE SENECA COUNTY SHERIFF'S
CORRECTIONS DIVISION FOR 2022**

RESOLUTION NO. 277-21, moved by Sprvr. Brownell, second by Sprvr. Cleere and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Sheriff's Corrections Division is obligated to provide prescription medications, pharmaceuticals and related over the counter health products to those incarcerated or otherwise held in the Seneca County Jail facility; and

WHEREAS, the current contract for delivery of those items to the Corrections Division ends December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, a new contract is needed to avoid any interruptions in the availability of these items; and

WHEREAS, open solicitation of proposals from multiple sources could be advantageous to the County; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors hereby directs the County Manager to prepare and issue a Request for Proposal from qualified suppliers of pharmaceuticals and related over the counter medications to provide said services for calendar year 2022.

**SENECA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OPPOSES GOVERNOR HOCHUL'S
CLOSURE PLAN ON PUBLIC SAFETY, ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL GROUNDS**

RESOLUTION NO. 278-21, moved by Chairman Hayssen, second by Sprvr. Trout and adopted.

WHEREAS, Gov. Kathy Hochul has announced that six prisons across the state will close by March of next year, consisting of: Willard Drug Treatment Campus; Ogdensburg Correctional Facility; Moriah Shock Incarceration Correctional Facility; Southport Correctional Facility; Downstate Correctional Facility and Rochester Correctional Facility; and

WHEREAS, the Governor's announcement was made with no advance warning wherein local officials at the state and county levels only learned of these closures from media reports; and

WHEREAS, no local input or outreach to corrections unions or local officials was made prior to the announcement; and

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WHEREAS, this announcement appears to disregard a 2005 state law that requires 12-months' notice for a prison closure, as well as an opportunity for local discussion and input into options and alternatives; and

WHEREAS, the closing of these facilities will negatively affect over hundreds of correctional officers and their families, who are projected to be displaced, in addition to the negative economic and social impacts these closures will have on local communities; and

WHEREAS, the closure of Willard Drug Treatment Campus in southern Seneca County threatens area infrastructure and related costs to that community, further, such closure threatens to prevent or delay necessary upgrades to the wastewater treatment facilities for Seneca County Sewer District No. 1, which serves Willard Drug Treatment Campus as well as Sampson State Park, commercial and residential properties in the hamlet of Willard, the villages of Ovid and Lodi, and users along the east shore of Seneca Lake, thereby potentially endangering the Seneca Lake watershed; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors hereby opposes the Governor's plan to close these six corrections facilities; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors stands with the New York State Corrections Officers, as well as with corrections support staff and their families, whose lives will be devastated by this decision, and other area residents along Seneca Lake and otherwise, and calls for this decision to be reconsidered and reversed immediately; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors immediately transmit a true copy of this resolution to Governor Kathy Hochul, Acting Commissioner of the Department of Corrections and Community Supervisor Anthony J. Annucci, New York State Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins, New York State Assembly Speaker Carl E. Heastie, New York State Senator Pamela Helming, New York State Assembly Members Jeff Gallahan and Philip Palmesano, Inter-County Association of Western New York, New York State Association of Counties, the Clerks of the of Schuyler and Chemung County Legislatures, and such other persons deemed necessary and appropriate.

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors seeks an investigation of said intersection by New York State Department of Transportation and to take action to make it a safer intersection; and be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to New York State Senator Pamela Helming; New York State Assemblymen Philip Palmesano and Jeff Gallahan.

Executive Session

The Board of Supervisors convened under executive session with the county manager and the

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county attorney pursuant to Open Meetings Law 105(1)(f) – discussion leading to the employment history of a particular person or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person. Time: 7:45 p.m. – 7:55 p.m.

**GRANGER APPOINTED TO POSITION OF INTERIM PERSONNEL OFFICER
AND APPOINTMENT TO GREATER TOMPKINS COUNTY MUNICIPAL HEALTH
INSURANCE CONSORTIUM (GTCMHIC) BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

RESOLUTION NO. 279-21, moved by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Reynolds and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Personnel Officer position became vacant on November 5, 2021 due to a resignation; and

WHEREAS, this resignation also creates a vacancy on the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium Board of Directors, for which Seneca County is a member; and

WHEREAS, it is upon recommendation by the Senior Management Recruitment Committee that Laura Granger be appointed to said position(s); and

WHEREAS, this appointment has been considered by the full Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was brought forth from the floor pursuant to Rule 29 of the Rules of Order; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby appoint Laura Granger as Interim Personnel Officer effective November 22, 2021 at an annual salary of \$85,933 in Grade 8 of the Management Salary Schedule; and be it further

RESOLVED, that Laura Granger is hereby appointed to represent Seneca County on the Greater Tompkins County Municipal Health Insurance Consortium Board of Directors.

**SUPERVISORS URGE NYS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO INVESTIGATE THE
INTERSECTION OF BREWER ROAD / NYS ROUTE 96**

RESOLUTION NO. 280-21, moved by Sprvr. Enslow, second by Sprvr. Borst and adopted.

WHEREAS, Brewer Road and NYS Route 96 in the town of Waterloo is considered by local residents as a dangerous intersection susceptible to motor vehicle accidents; and

WHEREAS, at said intersection, on September 10, a three vehicle accident occurred resulting in one fatality and two individuals requiring medical attention with airlift transport; and a month later, on October 15, another accident involving two vehicles occurred, with injuries requiring medical transport; and

WHEREAS, accident data collected by Seneca County indicates that in the past three years there have been 35 accidents, nine of which resulted in personal injury or fatality, occurring at Brewer Road

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and NYS Route 96; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was consider by the Seneca County Board of Supervisors pursuant to Rule 29 of the Rules of Order; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors seeks an investigation of said intersection by New York State Department of Transportation and to take action to make it a safer intersection; and be it further

RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to New York State Senator Pamela Helming; New York State Assemblymen Philip Palmesano and Jeff Gallahan.

Special Order of the Day

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.