

**SENECA COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Board Meeting & Public Hearing  
March 8, 2022

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 Board of Supervisors answered roll call. Sprvrs. Brownell, Enslow and Hayes were not present.

Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence

Presentations

None

Petitioners

None

Open Privilege of the Floor

Linda Zwick, Vice-President, Canoga Fire Department, urged the Board of Supervisors consider the adoption of a resolution to support a bill which Senator Pam Helming would need to write to present to the NYS Senate to support a real property tax exemption of 10% for volunteer fire fighters. Senator Helming is supportive of this exemption; and would like support from the Board of Supervisors. The volunteer fire departments are dwindling in numbers; firefighters are aging out and it is difficult to recruit younger volunteers. If municipalities in Seneca County have to establish paid fire departments; the cost would be astronomical. The property tax waiver for fire fighters would be a huge benefit for the current volunteers and an incentive to volunteer.

Refer to Committee:

Sprvr. Shipley, as a lifetime member of the Border City Fire Department, expressed 100% support for a real property tax waiver for firefighters; about 50% of the same current volunteer firefighters respond to calls for their towns and for mutual aid for other fire departments. Recruitment is difficult. Sprvr. Jeffrey Trout supports a waiver; the need for volunteers is dire. Having to pay for firefighters would be exorbitant for our towns and villages. Chairman Hayssen referred the issue presented by Linda Zwick, for a property tax exemption for volunteer firefighter to the Finance, Assessment & Insurance Standing Committee.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the February 8, 2022 board meeting and public hearing were approved.

Reports of Standing Committees

Mental Health Services Standing Committee – Sprvr. Partee, Chairwoman. NYS Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) awarded \$50,000 to Seneca County to support domestic violence

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services. There is a resolution on the agenda authorizing execution of documents to accept the grant funding from NYS.

Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Standing Committee – Sprvr. Barnhart, Chairman. Three resolutions came out of committee: One is to advertise a public hearing for public comment on the IDA project for Seneca Dairy Systems. A second public hearing is required during the implementation of the grant to assess the effectiveness of the project and to solicit citizen comments regarding the project implementation. IDA is ready to close out the project; the next is a resolution appointing Harriett Hayes as the county’s Fair Hearing Office effective immediately. Term ending December 31 2023; and the final one is a resolution appointing Jeffrey Trout to the Seneca County Cornell Cooperative Extension Board as the Board of Supervisors representative member. Term is on year and expires Dec. 31, 2022.

Public Health Services Standing Committee – Sprvr. Borst, Chairman. (4) Resolutions under Public Health Services: The County received \$37,600 grant funding from NYS Department of Health for the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Grant for the period Oct 1, 2021 to Sept 30, 2022; the county received \$31,050 grant funding from NYS Department of Health for the Immunization Action Program for the period April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023. Two members of the Board of Health will be appointed, Dr. Dale Freier, who is an emergency room physician. There are 4 doctors on the SCBOH. Tiffany Folk is county resident who is active in suicide prevention awareness. We also will adopt the fee schedule established for services provided by Seneca County Health Department in relation to the Seneca County Watershed Protection Law as follows:

**SEPTIC SYSTEM INSPECTION PROGRAM FEES**

Septic System Contractor/Installer	\$100 - annually
Septic Inspector Certification	\$300 - for 3 year initial certification
Septic Inspector Re-Certification	\$150 - for 3 year recertification; and

Public Safety Standing Committee – Sprvr. Rhinehart, Chairman. Under public safety, we have a resolution to extend the time frame for the Upstate Quality Improvement and Caseload Reduction Grant from the Office of Indigent Legal Services through June 30, 2022. No local match required.. The Sheriff’s Office plans to purchase 20 Body Cameras through contract with Axon Enterprises, Inc., located in Arizona. Cost for 2022 is \$27,163.94 for the year 2022. Cost for years 2 through 5 will be \$135,819.69.

Personnel Standing Committee – Sprvr. Ferrara, Chairman. The committee has several items on the agenda for tonight. The Universal Mask Policy implemented during the COVID pandemic will be

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lifted, officially. There are two new positions to consider, a full-time Psychiatric Nurse position in Mental Health due to growing client population in our community; and a position in the Personnel Office for full-time Human Resources Assistant.

There are seven positions seeking reclassification. For Mental Health Services, the position of Psychiatric Social Worker will be eliminated and reclassified as a Mental Health Clinical Therapist at Grade 11, starting salary \$29.202 per hour. Under the Division of Human Services, there are 7 positions seeking reclassification: (1) Employment & Training Assistant to an Employment & Training Counselor; (3) clerk positions to (3) Full-time Staff Resource Assistant positions; (2) Typist positions to (2) Full-time Staff Resource Assistant positions; and (1) Senior Typist position to (1) Full-time Staff Resource Assistant position

The committee approved refilling several vacancies: (1) Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) for Sheriff's Office; (1) Caseworker for DHS; and (3) Dispatcher positions and (1) Senior Dispatcher in Emergency Management Office; and (1) Weatherization Aide.

Indian Affairs Standing Committee, Sprvr. Shipley, Chairman – Details are pending of a virtual meeting with the BIA regarding Cayuga Nation and we will work them out shortly.

Brian Laudadio informed the board that the United States Supreme Court declined to hear an appeal regarding the case Jason Self, et al. v. Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria in California; they reached out to Mr. Laudadio seeking assistance in their amicus brief to SCOTUS after California Supreme Court denied a petition for review of the decision of the California Court of Appeal regarding the public easement on property owned by the tribe. SCOTUS is unwilling to resolve tribal land ownership issues; land owned by Indian tribes is Indian land and therefore sovereign

Cayuga Nation owned business, Lake Side Trading opened at the corner of E. Bayard St. / Stevenson St. The location is zoned R1. Seneca Falls served Cayuga Nation with Notice of Violation, which was allowed a 10 day extension at the request of CN. They have the opportunity to appeal to the town zoning board. They can seek a special use permit based on the fact that the location historically was zoned for business. The issue can ultimately go to the courts to be decided. This location was previously owned by the Oklahoma Cayuga Tribe, who were also served notices of violation, and their case was set to go to court, but then they sold the property to Cayuga Nation, and now they are going through the zoning violation process.

The state is no longer covering legal counsel for SC on any Indian issues. They stopped offset payments for property taxes using the excuse that such payments are not included in the 2022 budget\

Under Rule 29 tonight, I will ask the Board to consider a resolution supporting resolutions before

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the NYSAC NAA&G Standing Committee calling on New York State to immediately make all municipalities whole that have been impacted by the state and Seneca nation dispute; and the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Gaming Region; and calling on the State to equitably distribute gaming revenue to all New York counties. In addition, I will offer a motion for a resolution seeking support from NYSAC to support the people of Seneca County and seek fair compensation from the State of New York for the intolerable loss of tax revenue so substantially impacting the financial condition in Seneca County. Just as a side issues, State payments received from 2014 – 2018 amounted to \$3,130,000.00; our actual reimbursement during that time was a \$4.2 million; so we are already in the hole by a million dollars.

Government Operations Standing Committee, Sprvr. Jeffrey Trout, Chairman. On February 11, 2022, the Seneca County Republican Committee filed with the Board of Supervisors, the Election Commissioner Certificate recommending the appointment of Tiffany Folk to the office of Commissioner of Elections for a term of four years to commence January 1, 2023 and to expire December 31, 2026.

Environmental Affairs Standing Committee, Sprvr. Kronenwetter, Chairman. We received two responses to develop a solid waste plan for Seneca County. Barton & Loguidice at \$86,900; and Genesee Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council (GFLRPC) at \$70,433. The committee recommends hiring GFLRPC.

Public Works Standing Committee, Sprvr. Don Trout, Chairman. Seneca County recently accepted ownership of an existing sewer line along NYS Route 414 serving a number of customers and would like to form a new sewer district. The Committee approved sending out an RFP for professional services, not to exceed \$20,000, for the development of a map and plan and related documents will be necessary to properly create and form a district.

County Rd. 150 in Covert received significant flood damage in July 2021; Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) NY, included Seneca County in its submission for financial assistance. Seneca County was awarded 75% of the estimated cost of construction for the proposed work outlined in the Damage Survey Report (DSR) in the amount of \$256,500. As sponsor of a watershed protection project, Seneca County is responsible for 25% local contribution of the cost of construction work in dollars or in-kind services in the amount of \$85,500. The county manager updated the committee on Sampson Veterans Memorial Cemetery, which is still under county ownership. Governor Hochul included \$4 million in NYS budget (\$2 mill operating cost and \$2 mill perpetual care). The incinerator building was demolished; and we will be going out to bid for columbarium building. There is approximately \$600K left of the \$900K grant.

Human Services Standing Committee, Sprvr. Partee, Vice-Chair. There are two resolutions

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approved by the Human Services Committee. One is for a contract with Glove House for child welfare related services at \$630,012. The other resolution is for an agreement with Worldwide Travel Staffing, Limited, located in Tonawanda to furnish Registered Nurse(s) (RN) to provide nursing and social Assessments (\$750 per assessment) for a sum not to exceed \$30,000.00 annually

Finance, Assessment & Insurance, Sprvr. Reynolds, Chairman. A resolution for a contract with Drescher & Malecki, LLP for auditing services was returned to the committee for additional consideration. We interviewed the firms that submitted a proposal. Following the interviews, the Committee again, recommended Drescher & Malecki. The cost for the 2021 audit will be \$58,000; with the option to extend for an additional two years.

Report of Special Committees

None

Chairman's Remarks

Willard Drug Treatment Center is set to close on Thursday. The majority of staff have accepted transfers to Five Points in Romulus, Auburn Correctional, and Cayuga Correctional in Moravia. Some have gone to Elmira Correctional; and those with the least seniority were transferred to statewide facilities. Civilian employees were offered jobs at agencies statewide in order to avoid layoffs.

Chairman Hayssen made new appointments to the Facility Committee. The members now are: Don Trout, Robert Hayssen, Joe Borst, and Paul Kronenwetter.

County Manager's Remarks

Yesterday the bid solicitation went to NYS Contract Reporter for the next phase of the works following the demolition of the former steam plant and incinerator building for above ground columbarium niches and related site work. Opening bid date is March 28, 2022 at 2 pm; after the March committee meetings, but hope to bring it to the April cycle.

County Attorney's Remarks

None

Communications

21. From Seneca County Public Health Director Scott King, an email dated March 1, 2022 stating that masking will no longer be mandatory in Seneca County schools effective March 2, 2022.

22. A copy of How is Your Internet, a survey developed by the planning department in response to NYS DPS Notice of Public Hearing in the Matter No. 21-02182, The Commission's Broadband Study and Mapping pursuant to the Broadband Connectivity Act. The survey is being widely promoted throughout Seneca County and available at [www.senecacountybroadband.com](http://www.senecacountybroadband.com). Deadline to

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submit public comment to NYS Department of Public Service is March 18, 2022.

23. A copy of the Seneca Lake Pure Waters Association press release announcing the launch of the Sediment, Nutrient, and Pollution Reduction Program (SNPR), with a specific focus on reducing sediment and nutrients negatively impacting water quality of Seneca Lake and its tributaries and will provide financial assistance to projects within the watershed.

24. Received on February 11, 2022, from Seneca County Republican Committee Chairman Thomas Fox, the Election Commissioner Certification of the election of Tiffany S. Folk, for appointment to the office of Seneca County Commissioner of Elections for the term January 2023 through December 2026.

25. From Kathy Peters, Waterloo, an email dated February 18, 2022 listing several links about how other counties manage solid waste, in hopes that some of these strategies may inspire and educate the Board of Supervisors for future planning.

26. From Anthony Del Plato, Village Trustee & Water Commissioner, Village of Interlaken, an email dated February 12, 2022, about his guest opinion published in the Finger Lakes Times, urging the federal government to develop fair and just policies toward our Indigenous neighbors so that municipalities are not burdened with inconsistent and confusing actions that deny everyone a right to a decent life.

27. A copy of a resolution opposing Senate Bill S.7855 as it relates to the membership of the board of directors of the Western Regional Off-track Betting Corporation from the following: Cattaraugus County Act No. 92-2022; Genesee County Res. No. 62; Livingston County Res. No. 2022-52; Orleans County Res. No. 126-222; Wyoming County Res. No. 22-096; and Inter-County Association of Western NY Res. No. 2022-04-IC.

28. A copy of a resolution opposing any decrease to the Farm Labor overtime threshold and advocating to maintain the 60 hour work week for farm worker from Genesee County Res. No. 74; Orleans County Res. No. 12.3-222; and Inter-County Association of Western NY Res. No. 2022-03-IC.

29. A copy of Inter-County Association of Western NY Res. No. 2022-02-IC, Urging Governor Hochul to Alleviate Taxpayers of the Unfair Financial Burden placed upon them by the Local Share of Medicaid Costs.

30. A copy of Seneca County Sewer Districts #1, #2, & #3 DRAFT Financial and Operations Report for FY2021.

31. A copy of the Seneca County Public Health Departments 2020 Annual Report.

32. A copy of Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization (CWIO) January 26,

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2022 Zoom meeting minutes.

33. A copy of Inter-County Association of Western NY January 21, 2022 Virtual Zoom meeting minutes.

34. A copy of Seneca County Planning board February 10, 2022 meeting minutes.

35. A copy of Seneca County Sheriff's Office Monthly Snapshot for January 2022 and February 2022.

36. A copy of Seneca County Public Health February 16, 2022 meeting minutes.

37. A copy of remarks by Linda Zwick, Vice-President, Canoga Fire Department, under Open Privilege of the Floor, urging the Board of Supervisors to support a 10% property tax exemption for volunteer fire fighters.

RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS

**CONTRACT WITH GLOVE HOUSE, INC. FOR CHILD WELFARE RELATED SERVICES**

RESOLUTION NO. 61-22, motion by Sprvr. Partee, second by Sprvr. Reynolds and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Division of Human Services will continue to contract with Glove House, Inc. for Child Welfare Related Services; and

WHEREAS, the services to be provided in the amendment are the following:

- Recruit/Train and Certify Foster Care homes
- Administrative Expenses
- On Call emergency services for Foster Care/Preventive Services
- Family Advocacy
- Home and Community Based Preservation Services, providing at least weekly visitation
- Supervised Visitation
- Youth Advocacy and Skill Building
- Family Team Meetings
- Socialization and learning groups for children
- Home and Community based Parenting classes
- Transportation Services for Families
- Permanency outcomes for Youth

And

WHEREAS, this contract is in the amount of \$630,012, and is budgeted for in Account No. 10-6070-54700-POS47; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Human Services Standing Committee on February 22, 2022; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes an Agreement with Glove House, Inc. for child welfare related services; and be it further

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RESOLVED, the Chairman of the Seneca County Board of Supervisors is authorized and directed to sign the agreement with Glove House Inc.

**AGREEMENT WITH WORLDWIDE TRAVEL STAFFING LIMITED TO PROVIDE  
NURSING AND SOCIAL ASSESSMENTS FOR DHS**

RESOLUTION NO. 62-22, motion by Sprvr. Partee, second by Sprvr. Borst and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Division of Human Services (DHS) is in need of nursing assessment services for Personal Care Aide (PCA) and Consumer Directed Personal Assistance Programs (CDPAP); and

WHEREAS, the Worldwide Travel Staffing, Limited, currently located at 2829 Sheridan Drive, Tonawanda, New York, 14150 has agreed that at DHS's request, to furnish Registered Nurse(s) (RN) to provide Nursing and Social Assessments using the Uniform Assessment System (UAS) to approve consumers for PCA and CDPAP programs; and

WHEREAS, a sum of \$750.00/per assessment has been agreed upon to enter into this contract and the contract is not exceeded \$30,000.00 annually; and

WHEREAS, this funding is currently available in the DSS Personal Care Aide budget personnel line item and needs to be transferred into a contractual line item POS; and

WHEREAS, this contract has been reviewed and approved by the Human Services Standing Committee on February 22, 2022; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Department of Finance be authorized to amend the 2022 budget as follows:

106010 51100 SS33	PCA Program Salaries	Decrease	Expenditures	\$30,000
106070 54700 POS07	PCA Contractual	Increase	Expenditures	\$30,000

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; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors authorizes the County Manager to sign the approval of the contract with Worldwide Travel Staffing, Limited for Registered Nurse(s) to provide Nursing and Social Assessments for the Division of Human Services.

**SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE CREATION OF SEWER DISTRICT  
FOR USERS ALONG THE NEW YORK STATE ROUTE 414 CORRIDOR**

RESOLUTION NO. 63-22, motion by Sprvr. Don Trout, second by Sprvr. Kronenwetter and adopted.

WHEREAS, Seneca County recently accepted ownership of an existing sewer line along New York State Route 414 serving a number of customers; and



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WHEREAS, it is appropriate and in the best interest of the County and the users that a Sewer District be formed; and

WHEREAS, development of a Map and Plan and related documents will be necessary to properly create and form the District; and

WHEREAS, consulting services will be necessary and appropriate to assist in District formation; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Public Works Standing Committee at its meeting on February 22, 2022; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors supports the creation of a Sewer District along NYS Route 414; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes the County Manager to seek out consulting services to assist with the District's formation; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes an amount not to exceed \$20,000 to provide for the formation of the District.

**ACCEPT FUNDING AWARD FROM UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT  
OF AGRICULTURE FOR FLOOD DAMAGE RESTORATION ON COUNTY ROAD 150**

RESOLUTION NO. 64-22, motion by Sprvr. Don Trout, second by Sprvr. Reynolds and adopted.

WHEREAS, a section of County Road 150 in the Town of Covert received flood damage in July 2021; and

WHEREAS, restoration of damages are eligible for federal assistance under the provisions of section 216 of the Flood Control Act of 1950, Public Law 81-516 or section 403 of the Agricultural Credit Act of 1978, Public Law 95- 334; and

WHEREAS, the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) NY has submitted on behalf of the County and has received financial assisting funding approval for 75% of the estimated cost of construction for the proposed work outlined in the Damage Survey Report (DSR) in the amount of \$256,500; and

WHEREAS, as sponsor of a watershed protection project Seneca County is responsible to provide a local 25% contribution of the cost of construction work in dollars or in-kind services in the amount of \$85,500; and

WHEREAS, the County will work in close partnership with federal agencies and the Seneca County Soil and Water Conservation District to successfully undertake the project; and

WHEREAS, funding and/or in-kind support will be provided for in the 2023 Seneca County

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Budget; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Public Works Standing Committee at its meeting on February 22, 2022; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisor's supports the acceptance of federal funding to undertake watershed protection work on County Road 150 and commits to the local match requirement of 25%.

**AWARD CONSULTING AGREEMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF SOLID WASTE  
MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR SENECA COUNTY**

RESOLUTION NO. 65-22, motion by Sprvr. Kronenwetter, second by Sprvr. Partee and adopted.

WHEREAS, Seneca County desires to create a Local Solid Waste Management Plan (LSWMP) in accordance with New York State Department of Environmental Conservation guidance; and

WHEREAS, a LSWMP will be a valuable tool for the County and its future decision-making process for solid waste management; and

WHEREAS, an overarching goal of a LSWMP is to reduce the amount of solid waste destined for disposal by preventing its generation and increasing reuse, recycling, composting, and other organic materials recycling methods; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the County to develop a complete and resourceful LSWMP that is as detailed, concrete, and realistic as possible to ensure it continues to be a valuable and useful tool for the entire planning period;

WHEREAS, Requests for Proposal was issued for consulting services and two (2) responses were received; and

WHEREAS, funding has been provided for the development of the Plan in the 2022 Seneca County Budget; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been reviewed and recommended for approval by the Environmental Affairs Committee at its meeting on February 22, 2022; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors awards a consulting agreement to Genesee Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council in an amount not to exceed \$70,433 and authorizes and directs the County Manager to execute said agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Director of Finance is authorized and directed to make any accounting adjustments necessary to implement the intent of this Resolution.

**TIFFANY FOLK REAPPOINTED ELECTION COMMISSIONER FOR  
FOUR YEAR TERM COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2023**

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RESOLUTION NO. 66-22, motion by Sprvr. Jeffrey Trout, second by Sprvr. Reynolds and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Seneca County Republican Committee has filed with the Board of Supervisors, pursuant to Section 3-204 of the Election Law, a certificate recommending the appointment of Tiffany Folk to the office of Commissioner of Elections; and

WHEREAS, the Government Operations Standing Committee reviewed and approved this resolution on February 22, 2022; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Tiffany Folk is hereby reappointed Commissioner of Elections in and for the County of Seneca with term of office of four years to commence January 1, 2023 and to expire December 31, 2026.

**SUPERVISORS AFFIRM ELIMINATION OF  
SENECA COUNTY UNIVERSAL MASK POLICY 510.601**

RESOLUTION NO. 67-22, motion by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Kronenwetter and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors Adopted Resolution No. 194-21 to resume a Universal Mask Policy on September 14, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2022, Governor Kathy Hochul announced the elimination the Indoor Mask Mandate in New York; and

WHEREAS, Chairman Robert Hayssen followed the Governor's announcement and declared that the Seneca County Universal Mask Policy would end on February 10, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman's actions were supported by members of the Board of Supervisors and the intent of this Resolution is to affirm the Chairman's action and to formally rescind the Policy; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Personnel Standing Committee at its meeting on February 22, 2022; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors affirms the elimination of the Seneca County Universal Mask Policy (510.601).

**CREATE & FILL POSITION FOR ONE FULL-TIME PSYCHIATRIC NURSE FOR  
MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

RESOLUTION NO. 68-22, motion by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Partee and adopted.

WHEREAS, there is a strong need for additional psychiatric nursing services in the Mental Health Department to a growing client population in our community; and

WHEREAS, the Psychiatric Nurse will be created at a Grade 12 with a starting salary of \$29.254 per hour; and

WHEREAS, the salary and fringe to support an additional psychiatric nurse position in the

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Mental Health Department is included in the \$2,888,545 SAMHSA Grant Budget and Account 104320-51100-CMH21; and

WHEREAS, the Mental Health Department will generate additional revenue through service delivery to fund the position upon completion of the grant; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Standing Committee has reviewed and approved this resolution at its February 22, 2022 meeting; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes the creation and filling of one position for Full-time Psychiatric Nurse for the Seneca County Mental Health Department, effective immediately; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Finance Department is authorized to make the required budgetary adjustments to fulfill the intent of the resolution.

**RECLASSIFICATION OF ONE FULL-TIME MENTAL HEALTH CLINICAL THERAPIST**

RESOLUTION NO. 69-22, motion by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Jeffrey Trout and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Mental Health Department, and the Director of Community Services, have identified the need to reclassify one position of Psychiatric Social Worker to a Mental Health Clinical Therapist; and

WHEREAS, the Mental Health Clinical Therapist will be Grade 11 position with a starting salary of \$29.202 per hour; and

WHEREAS, due to difficulty filling the Psychiatric Social Worker position, the reclassification will provide opportunities for recruitment and hiring by allowing for additional Mental Health Clinical Licensures; and

WHEREAS, funding the position is budgeted for in the Mental Health Department Account No. 104220-51100; and

WHEREAS, the position has been approved and reviewed by the Vacancy Committee and the Personnel Standing Committee on February 22, 2022; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors approves the reclassification of one (1) Full-time Mental Health Clinical Therapists; and be it further

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

**RECLASSIFY POSITION FOR FULL-TIME EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING COUNSELOR  
IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**

RESOLUTION NO. 70-22, motion by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Jeffrey Trout and adopted.

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WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services, and the Commissioner, have identified the need to reclassify one Employment & Training Assistant to Employment & Training Counselor; and

WHEREAS, the reclassification request is due to a recommendation for promotion after three years of experience and a favorable recommendation from the supervisor; and

WHEREAS, the Employment & Training Counselor will be Grade 6 position at the rate of \$21.017; and

WHEREAS, due to difficulty hiring and maintaining staff, and the evolving job duties, the reclassification is necessary to ensure the support these positions provide to the department; and

WHEREAS, the position is funded through WIOA, TANF/SNAP and FFS as well as the County Workforce Development Youth Bureau Funding, and funds have been budgeted for in 2022 in Account No. 206011-51100; and

WHEREAS, the position has been approved and reviewed by the Vacancy Committee and the Personnel Standing Committee on February 22, 2022; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors approves the reclassification of one (1) Full-time Employment & Training Counselor; and be it further

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

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVES THE RECLASSIFICATION OF  
SIX (6) FULL-TIME STAFF RESOURCE ASSISTANTS**

RESOLUTION NO. 71-22, motion by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Jeffrey Trout and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Human Services has identified the need to reclassify three (3) Clerk, two (2) Typist and one (1) Sr. Typist positions to Staff Resource Assistants; and

WHEREAS, the Staff Resources Assistants will be Grade 4 positions with a rate ranging from \$17.360 to \$21.35 per hour; and

WHEREAS, due to difficulty in hiring and maintaining staff, and the evolving job duties, the reclassification is necessary to ensure the support these positions provide to the department; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds exist in the Full-time Salary Lines in the respective units within the Department of Human Services to provide for the rate adjustments; and

WHEREAS, the position reclassifications have been reviewed and approved by the Vacancy Committee and the Personnel Standing Committee on February 22, 2022; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approves the reclassification of six (6) Full-time Staff Resource Assistants; and be it further

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

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVES THE CREATION AND FILLING OF  
ONE FULL-TIME HUMAN RESOURCES ASSISTANT IN PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT  
(AMENDED & DEFEATED)**

RESOLUTION NO. 72-22, motion by Sprvr. Ferrara, second by Sprvr. Jeffrey Trout and defeated by 309 ayes (Ferrara, Jeffrey Trout, Reynolds, Barnhart, Partee, and Hayssen); 302 nays (Borst, Kronenwetter, Rhinehart, Don Trout, and Shipley); and 142 not present (Brownell, Hayes, and Enslow).

WHEREAS, the Personnel Officer has identified the need to create and fill one Full-time Human Resources Assistant; and

WHEREAS, through the reorganization of the Personnel Department, it has become clear that a point of contact person in the front office is critical to the delivery of essential County services; and

WHEREAS, creating and filling this position is vital to ensuring that all applications are processed timely, all questions regarding testing and Civil Service are addressed, and all other ancillary duties are completed properly; and

WHEREAS, funding is available in the 2022 Budget; and

WHEREAS, \$19,357 plus fringe benefits will be taken from the county contingency fund; and

WHEREAS, this position has been approved and reviewed by the Vacancy Committee and the Personnel Standing Committee on January 25, 2022; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approve the creation and filling of one (1) Full-time Human Resources Assistant; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Finance Department is authorized to make the required budgetary adjustments to fulfill the intent of the resolution.

**Motion to Amend the Main Motion:** Sprvr. Ferrara offered a motion, second by Sprvr. Barnhart, and carried, to amend the Main Motion by inserting the 5<sup>th</sup> Whereas clause, authorizing \$19,357 plus fringe benefits to be taken from the county contingency account.

**Discussion Resolution No. 72-22:** Sprvr. Rhinehart stated he would not support the resolution because union negotiations are coming up; the starting salary for this position is higher than the annual salary of some of our union employees who have been employed by the county for years. The Personnel Department has expanded by more than half in the past few years. He suggested the position be readdressed at budget time. Sprvrs. Ferrara and Jeffrey Trout support the new position. Sprvr. Jeffrey Trout said he met with the Personnel Officer Laura Granger and labor attorney Jim Roemer, virtually

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about similar concerns. He said the employees in the Personnel Office are not doing only Personnel duties so the new position would focus on personnel issues; Sprvr. Ferrara said he the position has his full support; he has complete trust in the Personnel Officer's assessment of her department and supports her recommendations. Sprvr. Don Trout stated that there is a Deputy Personnel Officer. Sprvr. Kronenwetter expressed concern about the starting salary.

**AUTHORIZE EXTENSION OF CONTRACT FOR  
UPSTATE QUALITY IMPROVEMENT AND CASELOAD REDUCTION GRANT**

RESOLUTION NO. 73-22, motion by Sprvr. Rhinehart, second by Sprvr. Don Trout and adopted.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Res No. 96-15 and Res No. 243-16 Seneca County accepted the Upstate Quality Improvement and Caseload Reduction Grant from the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services; and

WHEREAS, New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services has agreed to extend the grant contract until June 30, 2022; and

WHEREAS, there is no local match requirement; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Standing Committee at its February 22, 2022 meeting; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes the County Manager to sign all documents necessary to extend Upstate Quality Improvement and Caseload Reduction Grant from the Office of Indigent Legal Services through June 30, 2022; 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.

**SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF TWENTY AXON BODY CAMERAS  
FOR SENECA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

RESOLUTION NO. 74-22, motion by Sprvr. Rhinehart, second by Sprvr. Kronenwetter and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office currently has a contract with Axon Enterprises, Inc. set to expire in April 2022; and

WHEREAS, a renewal of this contract will allow Sheriff W. Timothy Luce to purchase twenty Axon body cameras; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of these cameras are an essential law enforcement tool in the continuation of the prosecution of DWI cases, eliminating frivolous lawsuits, a part of the police reform plan and in the performance of daily duties; and

WHEREAS, the purchase will be made for twenty body cameras from Axon Enterprises, Inc.

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17800 N. 85<sup>th</sup> St., Scottsdale, Arizona, 85255 on a five year contract; and

WHEREAS, funds for the purchase would total \$27,163.94 for the year 2022 and will be provided for from the Sheriff's GTL account; and

WHEREAS, total cost over the life of the five year contract will be \$135,819.69, with all cameras under warranty; and

WHEREAS, the remainder of the five year contract will be placed in the Sheriff's Office budget starting in the year 2023, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize and direct the Seneca County Sheriff's Office to purchase twenty body cameras from Axon Enterprises, Inc. for a total cost of \$135,819.69 over the five year contract; and be it further

RESOLVED, that funding will be provided for in future years to support years two through five; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes and directs the County Manager to sign all necessary documents for the renewal of the contract.

**CONTRACT TO ACCEPT NEW STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
LEAD POISONING PREVENTION PROGRAM GRANT**

RESOLUTION NO. 75-22, motion by Sprvr. Borst, second by Sprvr. Partee and adopted.

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health has awarded the Seneca County Health Department \$37,600 for the period October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022 for the administration of the Lead Poisoning Prevention Program; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the County Manager to sign the contract to receive the funding; and

WHEREAS, these grant funds will be allocated in the Health Department Budget Account No. 104010-43445; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Services Standing Committee has reviewed and approved this resolution at their February 22, 2022 meeting; 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 Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Grant for the period October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022 in the amount of \$37,600; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Department of Finance is hereby authorized to amend the 2022 budget and to allow any unused portions flowing into future years per the funding guidelines; and be it further

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



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accounting entries to affect the intent of this resolution.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AMENDS FEE SCHEDULE FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY  
SENECA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN RELATION TO THE SENECA COUNTY  
WATERSHED PROTECTION LAW**

RESOLUTION NO. 76-22, motion by Sprvr. Borst, second by Sprvr. Partee and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors adopted Local Law No. 7 of 2021 establishing the Seneca County Watershed Protection Law; and

WHEREAS, Section 7 of the Seneca County Watershed Protection Law indicates that the Seneca County Health Department shall establish standard fees as provided for under the law, including those for septic system contractor and certified wastewater inspector registrations; and

WHEREAS, the established fees shall be:

SEPTIC SYSTEM INSPECTION PROGRAM FEES

Septic System Contractor/Installer	\$100 - annually
Septic Inspector Certification	\$300 - for 3 year initial certification
Septic Inspector Re-Certification	\$150 - for 3 year recertification

And

WHEREAS, the Public Health Standing Committee has reviewed and approved this Resolution at their February 22, 2022 meeting; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors amends the Fee Schedule for services provided by the Health Department as described above; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the revised fee schedule will become effective March 9, 2022.

**CONTRACT TO ACCEPT NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
IMMUNIZATION ACTION PROGRAM GRANT**

RESOLUTION NO. 77-22, motion by Sprvr. Borst, second by Sprvr. Barnhart and adopted.

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health has awarded the Seneca County Health Department \$31,050 for the period April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 for the administration of the Immunization Action Program Grant; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the County Manager to sign the contract to receive the funding; and

WHEREAS, these grant funds will be placed in the 2022 Health Department Revenue Accounts 104010-43444 and 104010-44489.IAP to support budgeted Health Department salaries, fringe benefits and contractual account line 104010-54704; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Standing Committee has reviewed and approved this Resolution at

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their February 22, 2022 meeting; 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 Immunization Action Program Grant for the period April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 in the amount of \$31,050; 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 and to amend the 2022 budget as necessary along with unused portions flowing into future years per the funding guidelines.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPOINTS DALE FREIER, AND TIFFANY FOLK TO  
THE SENECA COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH**

RESOLUTION NO. 78-22, motion by Sprvr. Borst, second by Sprvr. Jeffrey Trout and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Health Department of Health currently has TWO vacancies for at-large members; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Dale Freier and Tiffany Folk are Seneca County residents; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Freier and Tiffany Folk have both expressed an interest in joining the Board of Health; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Dale Freier's appointment will become effective immediately and be for the remainder of a six year term which will expire on December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Tiffany Folk's appointment will become effective immediately and be for the remainder of a six year term which will expire on December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Standing Committee has reviewed and approved this resolution at their February 22, 2022 meeting; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints Dr. Dale Freier and Tiffany Folk to the Seneca County Board of Health.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT PUBLIC HEARING ON  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM  
(SENECA DAIRY SYSTEMS, LLC)**

RESOLUTION NO. 79-22, motion by Sprvr. Barnhart, second by Sprvr. Don Trout and adopted.

WHEREAS, Seneca County received Federal Assistance in the amount of \$600,000 from the New York State Office of Community Renewal (OCR) for the purpose of provide funding to assist Seneca Dairy Systems, LLC for machinery for the expansion of its operations in Seneca County; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Economic Development Corporation is receiving the OCR funding as a grant from the County, to provide the financing to the Company, and administer the OCR

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grant on behalf of the County; and

WHEREAS, the County is required to hold a second public hearing during the implementation of the grant to assess the effectiveness of the project and to solicit citizen comments regarding the project implementation; and

WHEREAS, the Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism approved the resolution at its meeting on February 22, 2022; now therefore be it

RESOLVED that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors hereby directs that a Public Hearing be conducted at which all interested parties shall be heard; and be it further

RESOLVED that the Public Hearing shall be held before the Board of Supervisors at the Seneca County Office Building, 1 DiPronio Drive, Waterloo, NY 13165 at 6:00 P.M. on the twelfth day of April, 2022, and be it further

RESOLVED that the Clerk of the Board is hereby directed to post the Public Hearing in the County Office building and on the County's official web site and have published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the County, at least nine days before the date scheduled for the Public Hearing.

**RESOLUTION TO REAPPOINT HARRIET A. HAYNES AS  
SENECA COUNTY FAIR HOUSING OFFICER**

RESOLUTION NO. 80-22, motion by Sprvr. Barnhart, second by Sprvr. Partee and adopted.

WHEREAS, Harriet A. Haynes has served as the Fair Housing Officer for the County and has been recommended for reappointment as the Fair Housing Officer of Seneca County, and

WHEREAS, the Planning, Development, Agriculture, and Tourism Standing Committee reviewed and approved this resolution on February 22, 2022; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby appoint Harriet A. Haynes as the Fair Housing Officer of Seneca County for a term through December 31, 2023.

**APPOINTMENT OF BOARD OF SUPERVISOR REPRESENTATIVE TO THE  
SENECA COUNTY CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION BOARD**

**(JEFFREY TROUT)**

RESOLUTION NO. 81-22, motion by Sprvr. Barnhart, second by Sprvr. Kronenwetter and adopted.

WHEREAS, Article V Section 3(B) (1) of the Seneca County Cornell Cooperative Extension Bylaws states "the county governing body shall be requested annually to appoint one legislator to serve as a director on the Association Board of Directors"; and

WHEREAS, the Planning, Development, Agriculture & Tourism Standing Committee reviewed

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and approved this resolution on February 22, 2022; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors hereby appoints Supervisor Jeffrey Trout as the Board of Supervisors Representative Member of the Seneca County Cornell Cooperative Extension Board of Directors for a one-year term expiring on December 31, 2022.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZES ACCEPTANCE OF \$53,857 GRANT FROM THE  
NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES (OCFS) TO  
SUPPORT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES (AS AMENDED)**

RESOLUTION NO. 82-22, motion by Sprvr. Partee, second by Sprvr. Barnhart and adopted as amended.

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Community Counseling Center of the County Mental Health Department has received \$50,000 in grant funding from the NYS Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) to provide domestic violence services to support survivor-centered services for victims of domestic violence and to build the capacity of providers to meet the increased emergency needs of domestic violence survivors as a result of the COVID-19 public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, the grant funds will be utilized to support the operation and administration of the Seneca County Domestic Violence Program, as well as to ensure that survivors receive the care, support and services they need including the following:

- Workforce capacity building, personnel expenses, including payroll, salaries, employee benefits and fringe, hiring bonuses and retention payments for staff funded under this grant
- Purchases of equipment and supplies to respond to COVID-19, including technology
- Supplies for survivors such as clothing, toiletries, and food
- Mortgage or rental costs of the facility, including utilities
- Purchase of vehicles or equipment with a cost over \$5,000, with prior approval from OCFS
- Personal protective equipment, cleaning and sanitization supplies and services, or training and professional development related to health and safety practices
- Goods and services necessary to maintain or resume providing services
- Mental health supports for survivors and employees
- Emergency and immediate shelter related expenses including hotel/ motel expenses
- Transportation
- Developing safety plans
- Individual and group counseling, and peer support groups
- Training, technical assistance, prevention, and outreach to increase awareness of domestic violence services and culturally specific services
- Culturally specific and linguistically appropriate services
- Language accesses services and supports
- Advocacy, case management services, and information and referral services

And

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Mental Health

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Services Standing Committee on February 22, 2022; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and directs the County Manager to sign all necessary documents to accept and administer the \$53,857.00 grant from OCFS; and be it further

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

**Motion to Amend Main Motion:** Sprvr. Partee offered a motion, second by Sprvr. Barnhart, to amend the Main Motion by replacing the text \$50,000, with the text \$53,857 as additional funds were awarded.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business:

**RULE 29:** Sprvr. Don Trout offered a motion, second by Sprvr. Shipley and carried by 2/3 majority vote of members present, for several items under new business, not having been approved by the appropriate standing committee, be considered by the Board of Supervisors pursuant to Rule 29.

**SENECA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SUPPORT RESOLUTIONS APPROVED BY  
THE NYSAC NATIVE AMERICAN AFFAIRS AND GAMING STANDING COMMITTEE  
RESOLUTION NO. 83-22, motion by Sprvr. Shipley, second by Sprvr. Kronenwetter and adopted.**

WHEREAS, the 2022 New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) annual Legislative Conference is being held March 13 – 16, 2022; and

WHEREAS the NYSAC Standing Committee on Native American Affairs and Gaming (the Committee) will also be meeting therein; and

WHEREAS on the agenda for the meeting of the Committee, three (3) resolutions relative to the matters of Native American Gaming are pending for adoption Committee and the Conference, to wit:

Resolution #1 Calling on New York State to Immediately Make All Municipalities Whole that have Been Impacted by the State and Seneca Nation Dispute; and

Resolution #2 Calling on New York State to Immediately Make All Municipalities Whole in the Saint Regis Mohawk Tribal Gaming Region that Have Been Impacted by the State's Lack of Payment; and

Resolution #3 Calling on the State to Equitably Distribute Gaming Revenue to all New York Counties and to Make Whole Counties Impacted by the State's Gaming Revenue Changes

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WHEREAS, it in the best interests of the residents, businesses, municipalities, and tax payers of Seneca County to support the aims and goals of these three resolutions to bring these matters before the Governor, the Senate, and the Assembly of the State of New York to address the inequities in payments to the several counties, including Seneca County; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was considered 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 does hereby endorse and support the aforesaid resolutions of the NYSAC standing Committee on Native American Affairs and Gaming; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the designated representatives of Seneca County attending the NYSAC Annual Legislative Conference are directed to support by their vote in favor of the aforesaid resolutions.

**AUTHORIZE BOUNDARY LINE AGREEMENT FOR COUNTY PROPERTY**

**ADJACENT TO 25 WYCLIFFE ROAD, WATERLOO, NEW YORK**

**BEING SENECA COUNTY TAX PARCEL NO. 08-2-14**

RESOLUTION NO. 84-22, motion by Sprvr. Reynolds, second by Sprvr. Don Trout and adopted.

WHEREAS, it has become know that a question as to the boundary line between Seneca County owned property along the southern side of the railroad right-of-way between North Road and Inslee Street in the Village of Waterloo and the northern boundary of premises owned by Robbie Harding, identified as 25 Wycliffe Road, Waterloo, New York, being Seneca County Tax Parcel No. 08-2-14 has arisen based upon a wire fence within the 25 Wycliffe Road premises; and

WHEREAS in order to prevent any future disputes or litigation concerning said boundary, a formal boundary agreement between the County and Harding to specify the boundary and to exclude any claim by the County to lands to the south of its boundary to the wife fence located within the Harding property; and

WHEREAS this action has been reviewed without objection by the County Attorney and recommended for approval by the County Manager; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was brought before the Board of Supervisors pursuant to Rule 29; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that County Manager is authorized to execute the Boundary Agreement between the County and the owners of the property located at 25 Wycliffe Road, Waterloo, New York, as set forth herein.

**RESOLUTION TO NYSAC SEEKING SUPPORT FOR NYS TO FULLY COMPENSATE**

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**SENECA COUNTY AND ALL OTHER COUNTIES ADVERSELY IMPACTED BY FAILURE  
OF NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES TO PAY PROPERTY AND SALES TAX**

RESOLUTION NO. 85-22, motion by Sprvr. Shipley, second by Sprvr. Kronenwetter and adopted.

WHEREAS, for over 20 years Cayuga Nation has claimed tribal lands in Seneca County as sovereign; and

WHEREAS, for the past 154 years Cayuga Nation has refused to pay any property tax on these assessed properties or sales taxes on retail sales; and

WHEREAS, NYSA has taken stands in support of compensation for counties from the Seneca Nation gaming Compact and has not addressed the issues confronting Seneca County; and

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

RESOLVED, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors calls upon NYSAC to resolve and support the people of Seneca County and seek fair compensation from the State of New York for the intolerable loss of tax revenue so substantially impacting the financial condition in the county.

**ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSAL**

**AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL RECORDS OF SENECA COUNTY**

RESOLUTION NO. 86-22, motion by Sprvr. Reynolds, second by Sprvr. Ferrara and adopted.

WHEREAS, the Department of Finance requested proposals from accounting firms to audit and certify the financial statements, perform the Federal Single Audit, the New York State Department of Transportation Single Audit, and the Deferred Compensation Plan for Employees of Seneca County for the fiscal years 2021, 2022 and 2023; and

WHEREAS, the proposals have been reviewed and evaluated by a review committee consisting of the County Manager, Director of Finance, Supervisor Ferrara, Supervisor Reynolds and Supervisor Shipley; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the this review committee to accept the proposal submitted by the accounting firm of Drescher & Malecki, LLP, 3083 William Street, Suite 5, Cheektowaga, New York, 14227, to perform these services for the fiscal year ending 2021, with the right to renew the contract for an additional two years; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was brought before the Board of Supervisors pursuant to Rule 29; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors accepts the proposal submitted by the accounting firm of Drescher & Malecki, LLP, 3083 William Street, Suite 5, Cheektowaga, New York, 14227 to audit

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and certify the financial statements, perform the Federal Single Audit, the New York State Department of Transportation Single Audit, and the Deferred Compensation Plan for Employees of Seneca County for the fiscal year 2021 for the amount of \$58,000, with the right to renew the contract for an additional two years, and further

RESOLVED, that the County Manager is authorized to sign the necessary agreement with Drescher & Malecki, LLP in acceptance of the audit proposal.

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**THE COUNTRY AND PEOPLE OF UKRAINE (AS AMENDED)**

RESOLUTION NO. 87-22, motion by Sprvr. Kronenwetter, second by Sprvr. Ferrara and adopted.

WHEREAS, on February 24, 2022, Russian forces launched an unprovoked invasion of the peaceful and independent country of Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, it is the right of all countries to decide their own future, foreign policy and security arrangements, free from outside interference or coercion; and

WHEREAS, Russian forces have targeted civilians and have committed war crimes and crimes against humanity; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of Seneca County are shocked and saddened by the decision of the federal government of the Russian Federation to send military forces into Ukraine; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was brought before the Board of Supervisors pursuant to Rule 29; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Seneca County supports the Country and people of Ukraine; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Seneca County urges the immediate cease fire and withdrawal of Russian forces from Ukraine territory; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Seneca County unequivocally supports Ukrainian's sovereignty and territorial integrity; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of Seneca County supports the continued resistance by Ukrainian people as long as the Russian Federation continues to violate Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors welcomes all Ukrainian immigrants who wish to settle in Seneca County, New York State, and the United States of America.

**Motion to Amend the Main Motion:** Sprvr. Barnhart offered a motion, second by Sprvr. Ferrara, and carried to insert the last Resolved clause as it appears.



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Special Order of the Day

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.