



**SENECA COUNTY**

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**JUNE 13, 2023 BEGINNING AT 6:00PM**

**SENECA COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING**

**WATERLOO, NEW YORK**

**TENTATIVE AGENDA  
SENECA COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVIORS  
BOARD MEETING**

**TUESDAY JUNE 13, 2023  
BEGINNING AT 6PM**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS BY THE CLERK**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENCE**
- 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**
  - A.** Seneca County Board of Supervisors will hold a Public Hearing on proposed Local Law 4 (D) "A Local Law providing a Real Property Tax Exemptions for Volunteer Firefighters and Ambulance Workers Pursuant to Section 466-A of the Real Property Tax Law".
  - B.** Seneca County Board of Supervisors will hold a Public Hearing on proposed Local Law 5 (E) "A Local Law authorizing the Board of Supervisors to enter into Lease Agreements for Real Property for County purposes for a term in excess of five (5) years duration."
  - C.** Seneca County Board of Supervisors will hold a Public Hearing on the Recertification of Agricultural District #8 in the towns of Fayette, Romulus, Seneca Falls, and Varick.
- 5. PRESENTATIONS:**
  - A.** Service Award for Mike Karlsen, retiring after 34 years of Service
  - B.** Matt Horn & Pat Nicoletta from MRB will present the Water & Sewer Authority Study Findings. to the Board of Supervisors
- 6. PETITIONERS**
- 7. OPEN PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR**
- 8. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**
- 9. REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**
- 10. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**
- 11. COUNTY MANAGER'S REMARKS**
- 12. COUNTY ATTORNEY'S REMARKS**
- 13. COMMUNICATIONS:**
  - 39.** Letter from the North Seneca Ambulance Emergency Medical Services regarding donations
  - 40.** Letter from the Halpin Firm regarding 5S Development LLC, & Seneca County IDA; payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement
  - 41.** Celebrate Commemorate Memorial Weekend Event Flyer
  - 42.** Sheriff's Office Monthly Snapshot for month of April 2023
  - 43.** NYS Homeland Security Letter regarding Grant funding
  - 44.** Town of Lodi Historic Marker Dedication- June 3, 2023
  - 45.** Board of Health minutes for May 2023

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46. United States Environmental Protection Agency EPAS FY23 Brownfields Clean Up Grant Letter
47. NYS Homeland Security & Emergency Services FY2022-23 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness HMEP Grant Program Letter, \$6,750
48. NYSDOT Statewide Department of Transportation RTS Reimbursement amount letter
49. Letter from the Halpin Firm regarding Lodi II PV, LLC to the Seneca County IDA for financial assistance
50. Letter from the Halpin Firm regarding Wilkins Recreational Vehicles Inc, and BLW Properties of Junius, LLC and Seneca County IDA payment in lieu of tax agreement
51. Two Brothers Printing memo & invoice regarding Proceedings 2011-2012.
52. Seneca County Industrial Agency (IDA) June meeting agenda
53. Lodi Historical Marker Halsey Program Booklet – June 3, 2023

**RESOLUTIONS & MOTIONS**



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZES AMENDMENTS TO  
2022 AND 2023 SENECA COUNTY BUDGET**

WHEREAS, amendments to the 2022 and 2023 Seneca County Budget are necessary and appropriate; and

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

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Ways and Means Standing Committee at its meeting on May 23, 2023; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes the following amendments to the 2022 and 2023 Seneca County Budget:

Line Item	Description	Increase/(Decrease)	Revenue/Expenditure	\$
<b>Note 1: 2023 Facilities HWB Budget adjustment</b>				
101620 44489 HWB	Other Health Federal Rev	Increase	Revenue	\$51,672
101620 51100 HWB	Salaries	Increase	Expenditure	\$48,000
101620 58300 HWB	Social Security	Increase	Expenditure	\$2,976
101620 58700 HWB	Medicare	Increase	Expenditure	\$696
<b>Note 2: 2023 Sheriff Medical HWB Budget adjustment</b>				
103151 44489 HWB	Other Health Federal Rev	Increase	Revenue	\$11,303.25
103151 51100 HWB	Salaries	Increase	Expenditure	\$10,500.00
103151 58300 HWB	Social Security	Increase	Expenditure	\$651.00
103151 58700 HWB	Medicare	Increase	Expenditure	\$152.25
<b>Note 3: 2023 Public Health HWB Budget adjustment</b>				
104010 44489 HWB	Other Health Federal Rev	Increase	Revenue	\$40,368.75
104010 51100 HWB	Salaries	Increase	Expenditures	\$37,500.00
104010 58300 HWB	Social Security	Increase	Expenditures	\$2,325.00
104010 58700 HWB	Medicare	Increase	Expenditures	\$543.75
<b>Note 4: 2023 Addictions HWB Budget adjustment</b>				
104220 44489 HWB	Other Health Federal Rev	Increase	Revenue	\$21,530
104220 51100 HWB	Salaries	Increase	Expenditures	\$18,000
104220 54350 HWB	Medical Fees	Increase	Expenditures	\$2,153
104220 58300 HWB	Social Security	Increase	Expenditures	\$1,116
104220 58700 HWB	Medicare	Increase	Expenditures	\$261

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<b>Note 5: 2023 Mental Health HWB Budget adjustment</b>				
104320 44489 HWB	Other Health Federal Rev	Increase	Revenue	\$63,513.50
104320 51100 HWB	Salaries	Increase	Expenditures	\$57,500.00
104320 54350 HWB	Medical Fees	Increase	Expenditures	\$1,614.75
104320 58300 HWB	Social Security	Increase	Expenditures	\$3,565.00
104320 58700 HWB	Medicare	Increase	Expenditures	\$833.75
<b>Note 6: 2022 Sheriff LEC Budget adjustment</b>				
103150 42450 SHCOM	Inmate Commissary Commission Revenue	Increase	Revenue	\$21,208.77
103150 54550 SHCOM	Other Supplies	Increase	Expenditure	\$7,911.58
103150 54520 SHCOM	Food	Increase	Expenditure	\$420.00
103150 54120 SHCOM	Building Expense	Increase	Expenditure	\$12,877.19
<b>Note 7: 2022 Sheriff Budget adjustment</b>				
103150 42450 PHONE	Jail Phone Commission Rev	Increase	Revenue	\$59,103.21
103113 52400 PHONE	Technical Equipment	Increase	Expenditure	\$37,561.09
103113 54290 PHONE	Technical Supply	Increase	Expenditure	\$6,817.92
103150 54450 PHONE	Hotels, Meals & Training	Increase	Expenditure	\$1,236.04
103113 54450 PHONE	Hotels, Meals & Training	Increase	Expenditure	\$3,266.32
103110 52100 PHONE	Office Furniture	Increase	Expenditure	\$1,234.00
103110 54200 PHONE	Office Supplies	Increase	Expenditure	\$4,013.55
103110 54530 PHONE	Uniforms	Increase	Expenditure	\$566.82
103114 54550 PHONE	Other Supplies	Increase	Expenditure	\$4,4407.47
<b>Note 8: 2022 DA Forfeiture Budget adjustment</b>				
101166 42625 DAFRF	Forfeiture Revenue	Increase	Revenue	\$34,660.10
101166 54700	Contractual	Increase	Expenditure	\$34,660.10

**THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZED TO PAY MORTGAGE TAX**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 261 of the Tax Law, the mortgage tax report for the period October 1, 2022 through March 31, 2023 has been filed, now, therefore be it

WHEREAS, the Ways & Means Standing Committee reviewed and approved this resolution at their meeting on May 23, 2023; and

RESOLVED, that the Finance Department is hereby authorized and directed to pay to the municipalities of Seneca County the amount apportioned as follows:

<u>TOWN</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u> <u>ALLOCATED</u>	<u>VILLAGE</u> <u>SHARE</u>	<u>TOWN SHARE</u>
Covert	\$23,338.00	\$1,294.56	\$22,043.44
Fayette	\$34,402.38	\$1,890.34	\$30,512.04
Junius	\$25,846.77		\$25,846.77
Lodi	\$13,566.00	\$545.58	\$13,020.42
Ovid	\$10,812.00	\$753.69	\$10,058.31
Romulus	\$24,837.00	\$136.68	\$24,700.32
Seneca Falls	\$54,482.70	\$4.71	\$54,477.99
Tyre	\$4,236.80		\$4,236.80
Varick	\$26,020.58		\$26,020.58
Waterloo	\$46,172.56	\$15,153.04	\$31,019.52
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$261,714.79</b>	<b>\$19,778.60</b>	<b>\$241,936.19</b>

**AMENDMENT TO AND ADOPTION OF THE SENECA COUNTY  
INVESTMENT & DEPOSIT POLICY**

WHEREAS, New York State General Municipal Law (Section 39) requires all counties, to adopt by resolution a comprehensive investment policy; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Res No. 75-21 the Seneca County Investment and Deposit Policy was last adopted May 11,2021; it is desirable to revise the Seneca County Policy 201.100/Investment and Deposit; and

WHEREAS, Ways and Means Standing Committee has reviewed and approved this resolution on May 23,2023; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize the amendment to the Seneca County Policy 201.100 Investment and Deposit to read as follows:

**INTRODUCTION:**

Pursuant to Section 39 of the General Municipal Law, the County of Seneca hereby adopts the following policy and procedures as it pertains to investment and deposit of County funds.

**SCOPE:**

This investment and deposit policy applies to all County moneys and other financial resources available for investment on its own behalf or on behalf of any other entity when acting as agency for that other entity.

**OBJECTIVES:**

The objectives of the County's Investment and Deposit Policy and Procedures are four-fold:

- To conform with all applicable federal, state, and other legal requirements.
- To adequately safeguard the principal amount of funds invested or deposited.
- To provide sufficient liquidity of invested/deposited funds to meet all operating requirements.
- To obtain a rate of return commensurate with market conditions.

**AUTHORIZATION:**

The authority to deposit and invest funds is delegated to the County Finance Director. These functions shall be performed in accordance with the applicable sections of the Laws of the State of New York. The County Finance Director shall establish written procedures which shall provide adequate internal controls to ensure a satisfactory level of accountability regarding the management of County funds.

**ETHICS AND PRUDENCE:**

All participants in the investment and deposit process shall seek to act responsibly as custodians of the public trust and shall avoid any transaction that places County funds at unreasonable risk.

All participants involved in the investment and depository process shall refrain from personal business activity that could conflict with proper execution of the cash management program or which could impair their ability to make impartial investment decisions.

**AUTHORIZED FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND DEALERS**

The County shall maintain a list of financial institutions and dealers approved for investment purposes and establish appropriate limits to the amounts of investments that can be made with each institution or dealer. All financial institutions with which Seneca County conducts business must be credit worthy, and have an appropriate level of experience, capitalization, size, and other factors that make the financial institution or dealer capable and qualified to transact business with Seneca County. Bank shall provide their most recent Consolidated Report of Condition (Call Report) at the request of Seneca County. Security dealers not affiliated with a bank shall be required to be classified as reporting dealers affiliated with the New York Federal Reserve Bank, as primary dealers.

The Finance Director is responsible for evaluating the financial position and maintaining a list of proposed depositories, trading partners, and custodians. Such listing shall be evaluated at least annually.

The Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes only banks and trust companies that are located and authorized to do business in New York State to be designated as depositories.

**DIVERSIFICATION:**

It is the policy of the County to diversify its deposits and investments among financial institutions, by investment instrument, and by maturity scheduling.

**INTERNAL CONTROLS**

It is the policy of Seneca County for all money collected by any officer or employee of the County to deposit or transfer those funds to the Finance Department within five business days of receipt, or within the time period specified in law, whichever is shorter.

The County Finance Director is responsible for establishing and maintaining an internal control structure to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that deposits and investments are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or disposition, that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly, and is managed in compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

**COLLATERALIZING OF DEPOSITS:**

In accordance with the provisions of General Municipal Law, Section 10, all deposits of the County regardless of the type of account in excess of, the amount insured under the provisions of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act shall be secured:

- By a pledge of "eligible securities" with an aggregate "market value" equal to the aggregate of deposits from the categories designated in Appendix A to the policy.
- By an eligible surety bond payable to the County for an amount at least equal to 100% of the aggregate amount of the deposits and the agreed upon interest, if any, executed by an insurance company authorized to do business in New York State, whose claims-paying ability is rated in the highest category by at least two nationally recognized statistical rating organizations.
- As provided by GML, Amended Sections 10 and 11, Seneca County is authorized to use "reciprocal deposit" programs for their deposits and investments; it provides an additional option for Seneca County to obtain coverage from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.



NOTE: The market value of total obligations shall not fall below 102% at any given time; if such an occurrence exists additional obligations will need to be pledged.

**SAFEKEEPING AND COLLATERALIZATION:**

Eligible securities used for collateralizing deposits shall be held by the depository and/or a third party bank or trust company subject to security and collateral agreements at the discretion of the County.

The security agreement shall provide that eligible securities are being pledged to secure County deposits together with agreed upon interest, if any and any costs or expenses arising out of the collections of such deposits upon default. It shall also provide the conditions under which the securities may be sold, presented for payment, substituted, or released and the events which will enable the County to exercise its rights against the pledged securities.

The custodial agreement shall provide that securities held by the bank or trust company or agent of and custodian for, the County, will be kept separate and apart from the general assets of the custodial bank or trust company and will not, in any circumstances, be commingled with or become part of the backing for any other deposit or other bank liability. The agreement should also describe how the custodian shall confirm the receipt, substitution or release of the collateral and it shall provide for the frequency of revaluation of collateral by the custodial bank or trust company and for the substitution of collateral when a change in rating of a security causes ineligibility. Such agreement shall include all provisions necessary to provide the County a perfected security interest on the eligible securities and to otherwise secure the County's interest in the collateral.

**PERMITTED INVESTMENTS**

As authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 11, Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes the County Finance Director to invest moneys not required for immediate expenditures for terms not to exceed its projected cash flow needs in the following types of investments:

- Special time deposit accounts in, or certificates of deposit issued by, a bank or trust company located and authorized to do business in New York State.
- Obligations of the United States of America;
- Obligations guaranteed by agencies of the United States of America where payment of principal and interest are guaranteed by the United States of America;
- Obligations of the State; With approval of State Comptroller, obligations issued pursuant to Local Finance Law Section 24.00 or 25.00 (i.e., Tax Anticipation Notes and Revenue Anticipation Notes) by any municipality, school district or district corporation in the State other than County of Seneca.
- Obligations of public authorities, public housing authorities, urban renewal agencies and industrial development agencies whose enabling legislation authorizes such investments.

**All investment obligations shall be payable or redeemable at the option of Seneca County within such times as the proceeds will be needed to meet expenditures for purposes for which the money was provided.**

**PURCHASE OF INVESTMENTS**

The County Finance Director is authorized to contract for the purchase of investments:

- Directly, or through a repurchase agreement, from an authorized trading partner;

- By participation in a cooperative investment program with other authorized municipal corporations pursuant to Article 5-G of the General Municipal Law and in accordance with Article 3-A of the General Municipal Law or entities where such program meets all the requirements established by the Office of the State Comptroller
- By utilizing a managed investment program with an authorized trading partner pursuant to a contract authorized by the Board of Supervisors.
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All purchased obligations, unless registered or inscribed in the name of Seneca County, shall be purchased through, delivered to, and held in the custody of a bank or trust company. Such obligations shall be purchased, sold or presented for redemption or payment by such bank or trust company only in accordance with prior written authorization from the officer authorized to make the investment. All such transactions shall be confirmed in writing to Seneca County by the bank or trust company.

Any obligation held in the custody of a bank or trust company shall be held pursuant to a written custodial agreement as described in General Municipal Law Section 10. The custodial agreement shall provide that securities held by the bank or trust company, as agent of, and custodian for, Seneca County, will be kept separate and apart from the general assets of the custodial bank or trust company and will not be commingled with or become part of the backing of any other deposit or other liabilities. The agreement shall also describe how the custodian shall confirm the receipt and release of the securities. The security and custodial agreements shall include all other provisions necessary to provide Seneca County with a perfected interest in the securities.

#### **REPURCHASE AGREEMENTS**

Repurchase agreements (REPOs) are authorized subject to the following restrictions:

- All repurchase agreements must be entered into subject to a Master Repurchase Agreement.
- Trading partners are limited to banks or trust companies authorized to do business in New York State or to registered primary dealers.
- Obligations shall be limited to obligations of the United State of America and obligations guaranteed by agencies of the United States of America.
- No substitution of securities will be allowed without the knowledge/agreement of Seneca County.
- The custodian shall be a party other than the trading partner.
- Each Repo shall be confirmed in writing by the seller, and each security purchased under Repo shall be specifically identified, segregated from the assets of the seller and delivered for safekeeping into an account designated and controlled by the County.
- All REPO documents are to be reviewed by Seneca County legal counsel.
- All REPO's shall meet all the requirements established by the Office of the State Comptroller.

#### **OPERATING PROCEDURES**

The County Finance Director is responsible for the investment of County funds. The Finance Department staff authorized by the County Finance Director will make investments based upon projections of the County's cash flow needs, so that investments shall mature at such time when funds are estimated to be needed for the orderly payment of County obligations.

Investments will generally be made based upon competitive bids solicited by telephone and email by Finance Department staff authorized by the County Finance Director and shall be awarded to the highest bidder who has and is willing and able to pledge sufficient and acceptable collateral.

The Department of Finance is authorized to transfer County funds using any electronic transfer system(s) that reasonably assures the safety of County funds. Electronic transfer procedures and guidelines will be established between the County and the banking institutions with whom the County intends to use electronic means to transfer funds between or within banks. The County Finance Director will establish internal control procedures that will provide reasonable assurance that the County deposits are safeguarded against loss.

Funds will only be transferred between institutions in the name of the County of Seneca by using the Federal Reserve Wire Transfer (Fed Wire) system, the Automated Clearing House, or by County check and only by staff as authorized in writing by the County Finance Director or his/her designee. Funds may be transferred within the same institution only between County accounts and by authorized County staff. A listing of authorized staff will be maintained by the Department of Finance and will be forwarded to the authorized depositories and investment trading partners.

If changes in staffing or staff responsibilities occur, updated authorization letters will be forwarded to the depositories and investment trading partners. All deposits shall be made in the name of the "County of Seneca".

The Department of Finance will maintain an investment log detailing the specific information relative to each investment. All investment transactions will be promptly reported to the Finance Director for entry into the County's accounting system. Comparisons of the existing investments to those recorded in the accounting system will be performed routinely. A monthly report will be provided to the County Finance Director, who will compare existing investments to those recorded in the County's accounting system.

The Department of Finance will compare the collateralized deposits with the bank deposits monthly to ensure sufficient coverage is in place.

The Department of Finance will prepare and submit a quarterly investment report to the Ways and Means Committee.

At the time independent auditors conduct the annual audit of the accounts and financial affairs of the County, they shall audit the investments for compliance with the provisions of these investment guidelines and are in conformance with all applicable laws, and regulations.

At least annually, the Board of Supervisors shall review and amend, if necessary, the Investment Policy.

**APPENDIX A**

**General Municipal Law Section 10**

**Eligible List of Securities for Collateralization of Deposits**

1. Obligations issued by the United States of America, an agency thereof or a United States government sponsored corporation or obligations fully insured or guaranteed as to the payment of principal and interest by the United States of America, an agency thereof or a United State government sponsored corporation.
2. Obligations issued or fully guaranteed by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the InterAmerican Development Bank, the Asian Development Bank, and the African Development Bank.
3. Obligations partially insured or guaranteed by any agency of the United State of America, at a proportion of the Market Value of the obligation that represents the amount of the insurance or guaranty.
4. Obligations issued or fully insured or guaranteed by the State of New York, obligations issued by a municipal corporation, school district or district corporation of this state or obligations of any public benefit corporation which under a specific state statute may be accepted as security for deposit of public moneys.
5. Obligations issued by states (other than the State of New York) of the United States rated in one of the three highest rating categories by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization.
6. Obligations of counties, cities and other governmental entities of a state other than the State of New York having power to levy taxes that are backed by the full faith and credit of such governmental entity and rated in one of the highest rating categories by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization.
7. Obligations of domestic corporations rated in one of the two highest rating categories by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization.
8. Any mortgage related securities, as defined in the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, which may be purchased by banks under the limitations established by bank regulatory agencies.
9. Commercial paper and bankers' acceptance issued by a bank, other than the Bank rated in the highest short term category by at least one nationally recognized statistical rating organization and having maturities of not longer than 60 days from the date they are pledged.
10. Zero coupon obligations of the United States Government marketed as "Treasury STRIPS"
11. Municipal Line of Credit issued by a Federal Home Loan Bank of New York as an accepted form of collateralization with a value of at least 102% of the aggregate value of deposits.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SUPPORTS THE SHARING OF SALES TAX REVENUE IN SENECA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, Seneca County does not currently shares its Local Share of Sales Tax with any other Local Government bodies within the County; and

WHEREAS, the issue of Sales Tax sharing has been raised at the Board of Supervisors level of County Government; and

WHEREAS, a Proposal to share the Local Share of County Sales Tax Revenue in excess of the amount projected in the Adopted County Budget has been put forth; and

WHEREAS, said Proposal seeks to share excess Local Share of Sales Tax based on Equalized Assessed Value to the Towns and Villages in Seneca County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors seeks to not increase successive year Budget Revenue Projections for Sales Tax revenue by more than five percent than the prior years Adopted amount; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Ways and Means Standing Committee at its Meeting on May 23, 2023; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors supports the sharing of the Local Share of Sales Tax Revenue within Seneca County with the Towns and Villages in Seneca County in an amount that exceeds that included in the Adopted Annual Budget; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the sharing of excess Local Share Sales Tax Revenue will be allocated based on Equalized Assessed Value to the Towns and Villages in Seneca County; and be it further

RESOLVED, the County Manager, as Sole Budget Officer, shall not increase successive year Budget Revenue Projections for Sales Tax revenue by more than five percent of the prior years Adopted amount when filing the Annual Tentative Seneca County Budget with the Seneca County Board of Supervisors; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes and directs the County Manager and County Attorney to develop any and all legally required documents; including but not limited to Local Laws, Home Rule Requests and additional Board Resolutions to implement the intent and purpose of this Resolution.

**SENECA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVES THE 2023 CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES ANNUAL PLAN UPDATE FOR DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND YOUTH BUREAU**

WHEREAS, an Annual Plan update is required by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services to the 2018-2023 Child and Family Services Plan. This plan cycle has been extended for one year 2018-2024. the annual plan update includes Children and Family Services, Adult Protective Services, Runaway Homeless Youth Services, Raising the Lower Age of Juvenile Delinquency Differential Response for Children Under 12 Years of Age, Child Care Assistance Program and PINS Diversion Services; and

WHEREAS, this plans covers the activities, strategies and outcomes for the above components; and

WHEREAS, the plan submission is due June 15, 2023; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Health and Human Services Standing Committee on May 23, 2023; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors authorizes the submission of the 2023 Annual Plan Update; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the electronic signature of the Chairman of the Board is authorized for the submission of the Child and Family Services Plan Update.

**COUNTY MANAGER AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO SIGN A CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO RECEIVE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE CREATING HEALTHY SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITIES GRANT AND AMEND 2023 BUDGET**

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) originally awarded the Seneca County Health Department \$1,525,000 for the period June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2026 for Creating Healthy Schools and Communities Grant; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this grant is to use a community-based participatory approach to establish and support sustainable healthy communities as places where it is easier to practice healthy behaviors by building on existing relationships with community partners and organizations; and

WHEREAS, this grant was originally accepted on Resolution No. 146-21 in the amount of \$1,525,000 for the period June 1, 2021, through May 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the NYSDOH has now made an additional \$42,000 available to the Seneca County Health Department as a one-time supplement for Year 3 of the Creating Health Schools and Communities Grant, which increases the overall grant award to \$1,567,000; and

WHEREAS, the Health and Human Services Standing Committee has reviewed and approved this resolution to accept the additional \$42,000 of funding during its meeting of May 23, 2023; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes and directs the County Manager to sign any and all documents as may be necessary to receive these additional funds; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Department of Finance be authorized to amend the 2023 budget per the funding guidelines:

<b>104010-43472-CHSC3</b>	<b>SPECIAL HEALTH PROGRAMS -STATE</b>	<b>Increase</b>	<b>Revenue</b>	<b>\$42,000</b>
<b>104010-54550-CHSC3</b>	<b>OTHER SUPPLIES &amp; EXPENSE</b>	<b>Increase</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>\$42,000</b>

; and be it further

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

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZE 2023 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR INCREASE IN CHIPS  
FUNDING FOR SENECA COUNTY HIGHWAY**

WHEREAS, Seneca County has received notification from the New York State Department of Transportation on the funding for Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program(CHIPS), PAVE NY, POP, and Extreme Winter Recovery(EWR) for the 2023-24 State budget cycle; and

WHEREAS, Seneca County has been allocated the following funding amounts:

Program	23-24 Apportionment	Rollover Balance	Total Balance Available
CHIPS	\$1,394,931.30	\$83,009.51	\$1,477,940.81
PAVE NY	\$353,803.22	\$0.00	\$353,803.22
POP	\$235,868.81	\$0.00	\$235,868.81
EWR	\$225,998.19	\$0.00	\$225,998.19

; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 budget for Seneca County Highway Road and Bridge Construction included \$1,414,190.05 in revenue from these programs; and

WHEREAS, there is an additional \$879,420.98 that has not been appropriated in the 2023 Highway Road and Bridge Construction budget; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Standing Committee approved this resolution on May 23, 2023; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Finance Department to amend the 2023 Seneca County Highway Road and Bridge Construction budget as follows:

405112-43500	CHIPS Revenue	Increase	Revenue	\$879,420.98
405112-52000	County Road Construction	Increase	Expenditures	\$879,420.98

; and be it further

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



**SUPERVISORS APPROVE PURCHASE OF  
ONE 2023 MASSEY FERGUSON 4710 TRACTOR WITH ATTACHMENTS**

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Highway Department has identified the need to purchase a new 2023 Massey Ferguson 4710 Dyna-2(4WD) roadside mower with attachments; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Highway Department has received a quote for said purchase from Java Farm Supply, 4862 Route 89, North Java, NY 14113; and

WHEREAS, said Tractor will purchase under Buy Board Contract No. 611-20, a competitively solicited cooperative in the amount of \$ 65,611; and

WHEREAS, said attachments consisting of a Diamond 75" Side Flail and a 102" Rear Offset Flail Mowing System will be purchased under New York State Contract # PC in the amount of \$53,100; and

WHEREAS, funds for the purchase of the 2023 Massey Ferguson 4710 Dyna-2(4WD) roadside mower with attachments for a total cost of \$118,711 are budgeted the 2023 Seneca County Highway Road Machinery Vehicle Account 50.5130.2600; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was reviewed and approved by the Public Works Standing Committee on May 23, 2023; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize and direct the Seneca County Manager to purchase 2023 Massey Ferguson 4710 Dyna-2(4WD) roadside mower with attachments from Java Farm Supply, Inc for a total amount of \$118,711.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AWARDS BID FOR AGGREGATE MATERIALS**

WHEREAS, the County has solicited bids for Stone for the Seneca County Highways; and

WHEREAS, two bids were received and opened on Wednesday April 19, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the following bid results were received from Seneca Stone Corp. of Fayette, New York and Heidelberg Materials, LLC of Pavilion, New York; and

**SENECA STONE CORP.**

SCREENING	\$ 19.00	1, 1A & 2 STONE MIX	\$ 20.00
RUN OF CRUSHER	\$ 11.50	2 STONE	\$ 18.50
1A STONE	\$ 20.00	3 STONE	\$ 21.00
1 STONE	\$ 19.50	GABION	\$ 21.00
1 <sup>ST</sup> STONE	\$ 19.50	RIP RAP AVERAGE	\$ 28.00
1 & 1A STONE MIXED	\$ 20.00	RIP RAP SELECT	\$ 50.00
1 & 2 STONE MIXED	\$ 19.00	SHOT ROCK SUBBASE	\$ 11.00

**HEIDELBERG MATERIALS**

SCREENING	\$ 18.25	1, 1A & 2 STONE MIX	\$ 21.00
RUN OF CRUSHER	\$ 12.50	2 STONE	\$ 18.50
1 A STONE	\$ 21.00	3 STONE	\$ 18.50
1 STONE	\$ 18.50	GABION	\$ 22.00
1 <sup>ST</sup> STONE	\$ 21.00	RIP RAP AVERAGE	\$ 40.00
1 & 1A STONE MIXED	\$ 21.00	RIP RAP SELECT	\$ 60.00
1 & 2 STONE MIXED	\$ 19.00	SHOT ROCK SUBBASE	\$ 16.00

;and

WHEREAS, the County Manager recommends awarding the bid to Seneca Stone Corp and Heidelberg Materials and letting availability and delivery costs be the deciding factor; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Standing Committee has reviewed and approved this Resolution at its May 23, 2023 meeting; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby award the bid to Seneca Stone Corp., Fayette, NY; and Heidelberg Materials, LLC Pavilion, NY for Aggregate Materials, letting availability and delivery costs be the deciding factors.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AWARDS BID FOR STRIPING OF COUNTY HIGHWAYS**

WHEREAS, the County solicited for bids for the painting of traffic lines on Seneca County highways; and

WHEREAS, one bid was received and opened on Wednesday April 19, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the bid that was received was from Seneca Pavement Marking of Horseheads , New York; and

WHEREAS, the lowest bid received was from Seneca Pavement Marking; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Standing Committee reviewed and approved this resolution at their May 23, 2023 meeting; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby award the bid for painting the traffic lines, paint and reflectorized glass beads to Seneca Pavement Marking of Horseheads NY as follows:

Survey of passing and no passing zones with log sheets included (per mile)	\$150.00
Indexing of passing and no-passing zones from existing log sheets (per mile)	\$150.00
Spotting of centerline on new pavement (per mile)	\$150.00
Center line application including materials (per mile)	\$468.00
Edge line application including materials (per side)	\$368.00
Yellow traffic line paint (per gallon)	\$14.00
White traffic line paint per gallon )	\$14.50
Reflectorized glass beads (per pound)	\$0.45
Railroad Crossings (per track)	\$9.50
Left/Right hand turning curve arrows (per arrow)	\$2.50

**SUPERVISORS ACCEPT BIDS FOR HOT MIX ASPHALT CONCRETE**

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent solicited for bids for hot mix asphalt concrete for the Seneca County highways; and

WHEREAS, three bids were received and opened on Wednesday April 19,2023; and

WHEREAS, the bid results received from Seneca Stone of Fayette, New York, Northern Asphalt of North Syracuse, New York and Heidelberg Materials of Pavilion, New York are as follows; and

	<b>SENECA STONE</b>	<b>NORTHERN ASPHALT</b>	<b>HEIDELBERG MATERIALS</b>
Type 7 Top	\$72.50	\$74.00	\$77.00
Type 6 Top	\$70.50	\$72.00	\$75.00
Fine Binder	\$64.50	\$68.00	\$68.00
Type 3 Binder	\$64.50	\$67.00	\$68.00
Type 1 Base	\$62.00	\$65.00	\$66.00

;And

WHEREAS, the Highway Superintendent recommends awarding the bid Seneca Stone, Northern Asphalt and Heidelberg Materials, letting availability and delivery costs be the deciding factor; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Standing Committee has reviewed and approved this resolution at its May 23, 2023 meeting; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby award the bid to Seneca Stone Corp., Fayette, NY, and Northern Asphalt, LLC, N. Syracuse, NY and Heidelberg Materials, Pavilion, NY for hot mix asphalt concrete, letting availability and delivery costs be the deciding factors.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AWARDS EMERGENCY WATERSHED PROJECT TO LABELLA ASSOCIATES**

WHEREAS, Seneca County has received funding from the United States Department of Agriculture for flood damage restoration on County Road 150; and

WHEREAS, 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 an amount not to exceed \$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; and

WHEREAS, bids were solicited and opened on May 15, 2023, at 2:01 PM; and

WHEREAS, the lowest responsible bid is from LaBella Associates in the amount of \$171,677.00; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Public Works Committee at its Meeting on May 23, 2023; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors awards a bid in the amount of \$171,677.00 to LaBella Associates for flood damage restoration work on County Road 150; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance is authorized and directed to establish Accounts for the revenue and expenses associated with the project and to work with the Highway Superintendent to document in-kind services provided as a part of the local match; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Manager is authorized and directed to execute a Contract with LaBella Associates for the project.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RECOMMENDS RECERTIFICATION OF AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT #8**

*\*\*Board to adopt after Public Hearing\*\**

WHEREAS, Seneca County Agricultural District #8, located in the towns of Seneca Falls, Fayette, Varick, and Romulus, was originally created in 1974 and was subsequently recertified with modification; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Agriculture Enhancement Board met on May 3, 2023, and recommended to the Seneca County Board of Supervisors recertification of Agricultural District #8 with modifications as reflected below, and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Planning Board met on May 11, 2023, and recommended to the Seneca County Board of Supervisors recertification of Agriculture District #8 with modifications as reflected below, and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors held a public hearing on June 13, 2023; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Agriculture & Environmental Affairs Committee on May 23, 2023; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors finds that there is no significant adverse environmental impact to the recertification of Agricultural District #8; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors request the New York State Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets to recertify Agricultural District #8, with inclusion of tax parcels:

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452289-07-1-15	452289-03-1-20.2	453600-03-1-22.1	453289-37-1-12.2
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452289-12-1-09.111	452289-03-2-02	453600-03-1-05	453289-38-2-40.12
452289-12-1-12.11	452289-03-2-03.1	453289-37-1-09	453289-38-2-45.212
452289-12-1-12.12	452289-03-2-03.211	453289-34-1-02.62	453289-24-1-06
452289-12-1-13	452289-03-2-07.1	453289-35-1-09	453289-37-1-03.2
452289-12-1-15	452289-07-1-01	453289-35-1-10	453289-37-1-08
452289-12-1-16.111	452289-07-1-01.1	453289-35-1-11.11	453289-37-1-09
452289-12-1-16.21	452289-08-1-11	453289-36-1-58	453289-37-1-10
452289-12-1-19.1	452289-08-1-18.111	453289-36-1-59	453289-37-1-11.2
452289-12-1-21	452289-11-1-13.11	453289-36-1-60.11	453289-37-1-12.12
452289-12-1-22	452289-25-1-20.2	453289-37-1-02.1	453289-37-1-12.2
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and removal of tax parcels below/next page:

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453089-01-1-11.4	452289-01-1-26	452289-04-1-46.1	453600-15-1-08.111
453089-01-1-17	452289-01-1-27.1	452289-04-1-46.2	453600-15-1-51
453089-01-1-11.32	452289-01-1-32.1	452289-04-1-48	453600-15-1-08.112
453089-01-1-11.8	452289-01-1-32.2	452289-04-1-49	453600-10-3-25.111
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453089-01-1-11	452289-01-1-38	452289-04-1-52	453600-10-2-18
453089-01-1-13	452289-03-2-54	452289-04-1-65	453600-10-2-21
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453089-01-1-11.1	452289-03-2-54.6	453600-15-1-15.111	453600-10-2-04.42
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453089-01-1-14.22	452289-04-1-01	453600-10-3-25.122	453600-15-1-08.7
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**AUTHORIZE RECLASSIFICATION OF SENIOR PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER TO  
SENIOR MENTAL HEALTH CLINICAL THERAPIST**

WHEREAS, the Mental Health Department and the Director of Community Services have identified the need to reclassify one full-time Senior Psychiatric Social Worker to one full time Senior Mental Health Clinical Therapist to assist with recruiting and hiring; and

WHEREAS, a Position Classification Questionnaire was submitted to the Personnel Officer who determined that the duties performed are the same as those performed by persons with the title of Senior Mental Health Clinical Therapist; and

WHEREAS, funding for the position is available in Account No. 104320-51100; and

WHEREAS, the position has been reviewed and approved by the Vacancy Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Human Resources & Government Operations Standing Committee reviewed and approved this resolution on May 23, 2023; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approves the reclassification of one full- time Senior Psychiatric Social to one full-time Senior Mental Health Clinical Therapist.



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZES CHANGING  
PSYCHIATRIC NURSE PRACTITIONER GRADE AND START RATE**

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution No. 26-23 there is a vacant Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner position in the Mental Health Department that has not been filled despite on-going recruiting efforts; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Officer has reviewed the job description and job evaluation questionnaire for this position ascertaining that it would be appropriate to change the grade from Management Grade 8 to Management Grade 10 to accurately reflect the duties and responsibilities of the position; and

WHEREAS, due to recruiting difficulties, the Personnel Officer recommends that the starting salary for the Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner position be at Management Grade 10, Step 10 at \$123,674 annually; and

WHEREAS, the position is sustainable through collection of medical fees; and

WHEREAS, there is sufficient funds within the 2023 FT Salary line 104320-51100 to cover this salary level due to the four month vacancy; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Vacancy Committee and Human Resources & Government Operations Standing Committee at their May 23, 2023, meeting; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approves the Grade and Step change for the Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner position in the Mental Health Department from Grade 8 to Grade 10 on the Management Salary Schedule; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors approve hiring above the start rate at Step 10 of the Management Salary Schedule; be it further

RESOLVED, that the Department of Finance 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 PUBLIC HEALTH SANITARIAN**

WHEREAS, the Health Department has received a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention sponsored grant from the NYS Department of Health (NYSDOH) in the amount of \$637,504 for the period of January 1, 2022, through November 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this funding is to support and strengthen the public health workforce and foundational capabilities including efforts to recruit and retain existing staff, as well as efforts to increase staffing levels within local health departments; and

WHEREAS, the workload of the Environmental Services division of the health department has been increasing steadily in recent years and it has become difficult for existing staff to meet these increasing demands; and

WHEREAS, the addition of a full-time Sanitarian would help to alleviate the workload of existing staff and would add to the capacity of the department meet current and future requirements of related to enforcing local and state health laws and Sanitary Codes; and

WHEREAS, 100% of this position will be funded through grant funding at least through November 30, 2027; and

WHEREAS, this position has been approved by the Vacancy Committee and Human Resources & Government Operations Standing Committee on May 23, 2022; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approves the creation of one full-time Public Health Sanitarian in the Public Health Department at CSEA Grade 8, Hire rate \$26.819 (\$52,297), contingent on approval of the department's grant budget by the NYS Department of Health; 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.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS APPROVES THE CREATION AND FILLING OF ONE (1) FULL-TIME GIS ANALYST POSITION IN THE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, the Director of Planning and Community Development has identified the need to create and fill one (1) full-time Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Analyst position; and

WHEREAS, the Director would like to abolish a vacant full-time Grant Management Specialist position within the department and allocate funds to the new position; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Director has reviewed the 2023 budget and there is sufficient funding in the 108020-51100 full time salaries account code; and

WHEREAS, this position has been reviewed and approved by the Vacancy Committee and the Human Resources & Government Operations Standing Committee on May 23, 2023; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approve the creation and filling of one (1) full-time GIS Analyst position at Management Grade 5, Hire Rate (\$61,457); be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors abolishes one (1) full-time Grant Management Specialist position in the Planning and Community Department; be it further

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

**SUPERVISORS APPROVES THE CREATION & FILLING OF ONE (1)  
FULL-TIME SOCIAL WELFARE EXAMINER POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Human Services has identified the need to create and fill one full-time Social Welfare Examiner position to help with SNAP and Medicaid Cases within the department; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance has reviewed the 2023 budget and there is sufficient funding in the 106010-51100 Full Time account code; and

WHEREAS, this position has been reviewed and approved by the Vacancy Committee and the Human Resources & Government Operations Standing Committee on May 23, 2023; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors approve the creation and filling of one (1) full-time Social Welfare Examiner position at Grade 4, Hire Rate (\$21,243/\$41,423) of the CSEA Bargaining Agreement; and be it further

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

**RESOLUTION CELEBRATING JULY 2023 AS SENECA COUNTY WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH**

WHEREAS, July 2023 is the 175th anniversary of the Seneca Falls Women's Rights Convention when Women's right to vote was first demanded, and

WHEREAS, July 2023 is the 100th anniversary of the proposal of the Equal Rights Amendment by Alice Paul in the First Presbyterian Church of Seneca Falls, and

WHEREAS, Seneca Falls is recognized throughout the nation and the world as the Birthplace of the Women's Rights Movement and the ERA, and

WHEREAS, Citizens from Seneca County were present in 1848 at the Wesleyan Chapel in Seneca Falls and other Seneca County sites associated with the Seneca Falls Women's Rights Convention and at the First Presbyterian Church in 1923 when the ERA was proposed, and

WHEREAS, the State of New York and the United States Government have recognized historic sites in Seneca Falls and Waterloo, by creating and funding a National Women's Rights Historic Park and a Heritage Preservation Center and District, and

WHEREAS, it is right and proper for the County of Seneca to celebrate the anniversaries of these events; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Human Resources and Government Operations Standing Committee at its Meeting on May 23, 2023; now therefore be it

RESOLVED The Month of July 2023 is declared to be celebrated as Women's History Month in Seneca County.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SUPPORT FORMATION OF LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO  
OPERATE AND MAINTAIN CAMP BABCOCK HOVEY IN THE TOWN OF OVID**

WHEREAS, Camp Babcock Hovey is located at 7294 County Road 132 in the Town of Ovid and is owned by the Seneca Waterways Council; and

WHEREAS, the property is currently for sale; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation may have interest in purchasing the property and entering into an Agreement with a Local Development Corporation for the operation and maintenance of said parcel; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors is interested in supporting this endeavor and protecting this significant property going forward; and

WHEREAS, the property has significant existing assets and future development potential; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Human Resources & Government Operations Standing Committee at its Meeting on May 23, 2023; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors supports exploring an Operating Agreement with the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to manage and operate Camp Babcock Hovey; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors will explore the formation of a Local Development Corporation to operate and maintain Camp Babcock Hovey; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors supports Seneca County being the principal member of the Local Development Corporation.

**PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF THE SERVICE OF SILAS  
HALSEY TO LODI AND SENECA COUNTY, NY**

WHEREAS, Silas Halsey came to this, the Land Between the Lakes in 1792 and building a farm from the wilderness, left a legacy of service as a public servant, he was truly a pillar in his community, a leader of men: and

WHEREAS, he held many first representative positions in government including; and

- One of the first Onondaga County Judges
- The First Seneca County Clerk
- First Supervisor for the town of Ovid, which included Lodi
- Held the position of Justice of the Peace
- Member of the NYS State Assembly
- Member to the NYS State Constitution Convention of 1801
- Member of the NYS Senate and

WHEREAS, Silas Halsey was the Republican Representative for this region to the 9th US Congress during the administration of Thomas Jefferson; and

WHEREAS, he was the head of a family of leaders, including 2 US Congressman and a Doctor ;and

WHEREAS, he was for forty years, a husband, father, farmer, miller, and practicing physician; and

WHEREAS, the William G. Pomeroy Foundation has chosen to honor Silas Halsey and grant to the town of Lodi this Historical Marker we dedicate this 3rd day of June, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the June 3, 2023 festivities planned by the Town of Lodi provides Seneca County residents and governance the opportunity to highlight and celebrate the legacy of Silas Halsey of Lodi; and

WHEREAS, the Human Resources and Government Operations Standing Committee reviewed and approved this Proclamation at their May 23, 2023 meeting; now, therefore be it

PROCLAIMED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors, on behalf of the residents of Seneca County, commends Silas Halsey and the town of Lodi on this day or dedication.

**SUPERVISORS APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR ENGINEERING AND GRANT WRITING SERVICES  
FOR SENECA COUNTY SEWER DISTRICTS ONE AND TWO**

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has authorized and directed the County Manager to execute and Agreement with the firm of Wendel WD Architecture, Engineering, Surveying & Landscape Architecture, PC for engineering services related to wastewater treatment upgrades Pursuant to Resolution 16-23; and

WHEREAS, Wendel has submitted a detailed proposal to accomplish the following tasks with a County District(s) cost of \$85,000:

- Updated Preliminary Engineering Reports (PER) for both Willard and Five Point
- Willard/DOCCS Cost Sharing Justification Report
- NYSERDA Flextech Report
- 2023 WQIP Application Package for Five Point WWTF UV System; and

WHEREAS, these services will be supported by an additional \$55,000 in funding from NYSERDA; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been reviewed and recommended for approval by the Water and Sewer Treatment, Management and Operations Committee at a Special Committee Meeting held on May 31, 2023; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors appropriates funding to support the Scope of Services outline herein by allocating \$42,500 in Capital Funds from Sewer District No. 1 and \$42,500 in Fund Balance from Sewer District No. 2; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes and directs the County Manager to authorize the Proposal from Wendel to undertake said services ; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance is authorized and directed to undertake any accounting and budget adjustments consistent with the intent of this Resolution.



**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SUPPORTS FUNDING APPLICATION TO  
NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION  
FOR WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT PROGRAM (WQIP)**

WHEREAS, the Water Quality Improvement Project (WQIP) Program is a competitive, reimbursement grant program that funds projects that directly improve water quality or aquatic habitat, promote flood risk reduction, restoration, and enhanced flood and climate resiliency, or protect a drinking water source; and

WHEREAS, the Water Quality Improvement Project (WQIP) grant application period is open through July 28, 2023; and

WHEREAS, improvements to the Five Points Wastewater Treatment are an eligible and appropriate candidate for said grant funding; and

WHEREAS, Wendel Engineers will assist with developing and submitting the WQIP Grant Request; and

WHEREAS, the Program requires a 25% Local Match; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been reviewed and recommended for approval by the Water and Sewer Treatment, Management and Operations Committee at a Special Committee Meeting held on May 31, 2023; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorizes the submission of a WQIP Grant Request to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and recognizes the need to provide a 25% Local Match; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County of Supervisors will refine and approve a final funding approach to plant upgrades upon Notice of the Grant Award.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACCEPTS PURCHASE OF SCBA FILLING STATION**

WHEREAS, the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services has awarded Seneca County \$110,600.00 for the FY20 Targeted Haz Mat Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services has approved an non-competitive procurement contract allowing Seneca County to purchase a Bauer model CFS5.53s SCBA filling station including installation from Breathing Air Resources, Fletch-Air Systems, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the entire purchase price, including installation, of \$23,758.00 will be funded by the FY20 Targeted Haz Mat Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 64-2023, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors accepted this grant funding; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Standing Committee on May 23, 2023; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize and direct the County Manager to sign any required documentation to purchase a Bour CFS5.53s SCBA Filling Station including installation from Breathing Air Resources, Fletch-Air Systems, Inc. using \$23,758.00 of FY20 funds; 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.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ACCEPTS  
FY2022-2023 HAZARADOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCY PREPARDOUS GRANT (HMEP)**

WHEREAS, the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services has awarded \$6,750.00 to Seneca County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 45-2023, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors authorized applying for this grant funding; and

WHEREAS, Seneca County is joined with Ontario, Wayne, and Yates Counties in a collaborative effort to provide a hazardous materials response and emergency rescue capability of Seneca County and the three adjoining counties; and

WHEREAS, this grant requires a \$1,687.50 local match that will be evenly distributed amongst the members of the collaborative. and the performance period ends on December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Standing Committee on May 23, 2023; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize and direct the County Manager to sign any required documentation to accept the FY2022-2023 HMEP grant proceeds for the enhancement of hazardous material response capabilities; 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.

**AUTHORIZE PURCHASE OF SIX BODY CAMERAS FOR  
SENECA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Sheriff's Office currently needs to replace six (6) body cameras that were purchased from Axon Enterprise, Inc; and

WHEREAS, the purchase of these cameras are an essential law enforcement tool in the continuation of assisting in situations that occur in the correction dept that could result in possible liability to the county in the performance of daily duties; and

WHEREAS, the purchase will be made for six body cameras from Axon Enterprises, Inc. 17800 N. 85th St., Scottsdale, Arizona, 85255 on a three year contract; and

WHEREAS, funds for the purchase would total \$8,657.79 for each year; and

WHEREAS, total cost over the life of the three year contract will be \$25,975.98, with all cameras under warranty; and

WHEREAS, the funding for the three year contract will be placed in the Sheriff's Office budget; and

WHEREAS, funding for this year payment is in the 2023 budget line 103150-52400; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Standing Committee reviewed and approved this resolution at their May 23, 2023 meeting; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorize and directs the County Manager to sign all necessary documents with Axon Enterprise, Inc for the purchase of six (6) body cameras.

**APPOINTMENTS TO THE FIRE ADVISORY BOARD**

WHEREAS, pursuant to NYS County Law Chapter 11, Article 5, Section 225-A, Fire Training and Mutual Aid Programs, a county fire advisory board shall consist of not less than five nor more than twenty-one members, each of whom shall be appointed by the board of supervisors for a term of not to exceed one year, two years or three years; such terms of office need not be the same for all members; and

WHEREAS, this resolution was approved by the Public Safety Standing Committee on May 23, 2023; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors does hereby appoint the following persons to the Seneca County Fire Advisory Board for a one-year term to expire December 31, 2023.

Border City Fire Department: Nick Madia; (Kodi DiCicco, alternate)  
Canoga Fire Department: Nathan Peckham; (Dervin Zeiset, alternate)  
Clyde Fire Department: Joe Tavano, Jr.; (James Lee, alternate)  
Fayette Fire Department: Robert Halladay  
Interlaken Fire Department: James Borden, (Christopher Nelson, alternate)  
Junius Fire Department: John Meckley; (Kevin DeWaele, alternate)  
Lodi Fire Department: Dan Sabol; (Wayne Snyder, alternate)  
Romulus Fire Department: Stacey Bennett; (Robert Steele, alternate)  
Seneca Falls Fire Department: Allen Larsen; (Steven Farnsworth, alternate)  
Trumansburg Fire Department: John M. Keefe  
Ovid Fire Department: Alvin Deming, (Martin Brewer, alternate)  
Varick Fire Department: Miles Persing (Curt Karlsen, alternate)  
Waterloo Fire Department: Chief Steven Henninger; (Chief Shaw, alternate)  
North Seneca Ambulance: Russell Goodman, (John Hanson or Danielle Rey, alternates)  
South Seneca Ambulance: Nathan Miller

**AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF DISTRIBUTION #13 GRANT  
FROM NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Res No. 122-23 Seneca County accepted the Distribution #11 Grant from the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services, in the amount of \$138,642 to fund the costs of legal research and the cost of Assigned Counsel Panel Attorney's for Family Court; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Res No. 123-23 Seneca County accepted the Distribution #12 Grant from the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services, in the amount of \$69,321 to fund the increased salary and fringe benefits of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Assistant Public Defender; and

WHEREAS, Distribution #11 funding is set to expire on 12/31/2023 and the Distribution #12 funding is set to expire 12/31/2024 and Distribution #13 is offered to continue the funding of these costs; and

WHEREAS, the Distribution #13 grant is in the amount of \$69,321 for a three (3) year period beginning January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025 with no local match requirement; and

WHEREAS, this resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Standing Committee at its May 23, 2023 meeting; now therefore be it,

RESOLVED, that the Seneca County Board of Supervisors approves the acceptance of the three-year Distribution #13 contract in the amount of \$69,321 from the Office of Indigent Legal Services and authorizes and directs the County Manager to sign all necessary grant paperwork; and be it further,

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

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT WITH  
CENTER FOR GOVERNMENTAL RESEARCH (CGR) TO UNDERTAKE  
OPERATIONAL ANALYSIS AND SERVICE ALTERNATIVES FOR EMS DEPLOYMENT AND  
RESPONSE IN SENECA COUNTY**

WHEREAS, the focus of the project will be to assess and plan for Seneca County's ongoing role in assisting and coordinating EMS agencies, with the goal of providing long-term stable and efficient EMS services to the public; and

WHEREAS, the project will include examining the full scope of EMS delivery, from dispatch efficiency to workforce training to quality of care. Additionally, it will cover leadership, administrative and operational considerations, provide data and analysis that illustrates current conditions, identify areas for improvement, and provide a variety of options to enact change and rethink or restructure elements of service, going forward; and

WHEREAS, the final report will identify options to improve service and enhance EMS sustainability, quality, efficiency and affordability. Options will include potential costs, governance structures and other considerations for implementation; and

WHEREAS, the proposal from CGR is in the amount of \$48,000; and

WHEREAS, a request for funding to the ARPA Special Committee will be made to provide for the funding for this undertaking or alternatively funding will be secured from the County Contingency Account; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution has been reviewed and approved by the Public Safety Standing Committee at its Meeting on May 23, 2023; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors authorizes an Agreement with the Center for Governmental Research to undertake an Operational Analysis and Service Alternatives Study for EMS Deployment and Response in Seneca County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance is authorized to make any necessary accounting and budget adjustments consistent with the intent of this Resolution, including the allocation of either ARPA or Contingency Funds in an amount not to exceed \$48,000.

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**43. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**44. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT SENECA COUNTY LOCAL LAW 4 OF 2023 "PROVIDING A REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND AMBULANCE WORKERS PURSUANT TO SECTION 466-A OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW"**

*\*\*Board to consider adoption after Public Hearing\*\**

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors has previously supported and endorsed a change in the New York State Real Property Law § 466-a to provide a property tax exemption to volunteer firefighters and EMS/ambulance personnel residing in the county; and

WHEREAS, by legislation and amendments to the Real Property Tax Law, such a local property tax exemption is now authorized and may be adopted by local law in the county; and

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors finds and determines that attracting and retaining quality volunteer firefighters and emergency medical personnel is one of the most critical problems facing a number of communities in Seneca County and that maintaining effective emergency protection depends on the ability to train and retain volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors finds and determines that it is essential for the County and its municipalities to provide real property tax exemptions as an incentive to attract new volunteers and help combat a persistent and alarming decline in the number of volunteers serving as active responders to fire and medical emergencies. Unless recruits are found to replace retiring volunteers and seasoned members are encouraged to continue their volunteer service, the health and safety of citizens served by the volunteer firefighter and emergency medical personnel corps may be jeopardized; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors further finds and determines that real property tax exemptions are an appropriate way to recognize the personal sacrifices and dedication of these community-spirited men and women who unselfishly give their time and risk their safety to protect their neighbors without compensation; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was duly held on June 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the County Office Building, 1 DiPronio Dr, Waterloo, NY, and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed Local Law, or any part thereof; and

WHEREAS, that copies of the aforesaid Local Law #4 be laid upon the desks of each member of the County Board; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Seneca, after deliberation, finds it in the best interests of the County of Seneca to adopt said Local Law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Seneca hereby adopts Local Law No. 4 of the year 2023, "A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING A REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND AMBULANCE WORKERS PURSUANT TO SECTION 466-A OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW"; to read in substantially the following form:

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**A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING A REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS AND AMBULANCE WORKERS PURSUANT TO SECTION 466-A OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW**

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Seneca as follows:

SECTION 1. Legislative intent and purpose.

- (a) The Seneca County Board of Supervisors finds and determines that attracting and retaining quality volunteer firefighters and emergency medical personnel is one of the most critical problems facing a number of communities in Seneca County and that maintaining effective emergency protection depends on the ability to train and retain volunteers.
- (b) The Board of Supervisors finds and determines that it is essential for the County and its municipalities to provide real property tax exemptions as an incentive to attract new volunteers and help combat a persistent and alarming decline in the number of volunteers serving as active responders to fire and medical emergencies. Unless recruits are found to replace retiring volunteers and seasoned members are encouraged to continue their volunteer service, the health and safety of citizens served by the volunteer firefighter and emergency medical personnel corps may be jeopardized.
- (c) The Board of Supervisors further finds and determines that real property tax exemptions are an appropriate way to recognize the personal sacrifices and dedication of these community-spirited men and women who unselfishly give their time and risk their safety to protect their neighbors without compensation.
- (d) The purpose of this Local Law is to adopt the real property tax exemptions provided for volunteer firefighters and emergency medical personnel in accordance with Section 466-a of the Real Property Tax Law.

SECTION 2. Real Property Tax Exemption.

Real property owned by an enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service or such enrolled member and spouse residing in the County of Seneca shall be exempt from taxation to the extent of 10 percent of the assessed value of such property for County purposes, exclusive of special assessments.

SECTION 3. Qualifications and Certifications.

Such exemption shall only be granted to an enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance services if:

- (a) the applicant resides in the County of Seneca and is a member of an incorporated volunteer fire company or fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service which provides service within a village, town, or school district partially or wholly within Seneca County.
- (b) the real property which is the subject of such exemption is the primary residence of the applicant.
- (c) the real property is used exclusively for residential purposes; provided however, that in the event any portion of such property is not used exclusively for the applicant's residence but is used for other purposes, such portion shall be subject to taxation and the remaining portion only shall be entitled to the exemption provided by this Local Law.
- (d) the applicant has obtained and presented to the assessor responsible for the jurisdiction of the real property for which the exemption is requested a certification in a prescribed form, (NYS RP-466-a-vol, or successor) issued by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company or fire department indicating that the applicant has been an enrolled member of such incorporated volunteer fire company or fire department for at least two years or the applicant has been certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated voluntary ambulance service as an enrolled member of such incorporated voluntary ambulance service for at least two years.

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**SECTION 4. Continuation of eligibility requirements.**

The applicant shall maintain continual eligibility for the exemption in accordance with General Municipal Law Section 217 requirements for the Service Award Program by annual re-certification and presentation to the appropriate tax assessor on or before taxable status date for each year the exemption is requested.

Eligibility is based on the Service Award Program noted above, which defines active service as the accrual of a total of fifty (50) points during each anniversary year in accordance with the following:

(a) One point shall be granted to a volunteer firefighter or member of a volunteer ambulance corps for each of the following activities performed:

- i. Participation in a single training session.
- ii. Participation in a single drill.
- iii. Completion of a single work night.
- iv. Completion of each year of service.
- v. Election or appointment to a position within the volunteer company, including as a delegate to a firefighter's convention.
- vi. Teaching a public education fire prevention class without compensation to a school, non-profit, or civics organization.
- vii. Attendance at a single official meeting of a volunteer company.
- viii. Participation in a single response and/or standby.
- ix. Volunteers either temporarily and totally, or partially and permanently disabled, as certified by the workers compensation board, during the course of service or while actively engaged in providing line of duty services, shall receive five (5) points for each full month of disability.
- x. Volunteers whose continuous service is interrupted by up to four years of full-time active military duty are eligible for fifty (50) points each full year, prorated for service less than a year.

(b) At the start of a new anniversary year, the total number of points accumulated by each individual shall return to zero.

(c) A fifty (50) point total must be accumulated by the end of each year of service to remain eligible for the ten percent (10%) reduction of county, town, village, and school real property taxes.

**SECTION 5. Twenty-year active members.**

Any enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service who accrues more than twenty years of total active service, as defined in Section 4 hereof, and is so certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service, shall be granted the ten percent exemption as authorized by this section for the remainder of his or her life as long as his or her primary residence is located within the County of Seneca.

**SECTION 6. Un-remarried Surviving Spouses of Volunteers killed in the line of duty.**

An un-remarried spouse of a volunteer firefighters or volunteer ambulance workers killed in the line of duty may receive the real property tax exemption if:

- a) Such un-remarried spouse is certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service as an un-remarried spouse of an enrolled member of such incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated volunteer ambulance service who was killed in the line of duty; and

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- b) Such deceased volunteer had been an enrolled member for at least five years; and
- c) Such deceased volunteer had been receiving the exemption prior to his or her death.

**SECTION 7. Un-remarried Surviving Spouses of Volunteers with at least Twenty Years of Service.**

An un-remarried spouse of a volunteer firefighters or volunteer ambulance workers with twenty years of service may receive the real property tax exemption if:

- (a) Such un-remarried spouse is certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated voluntary ambulance service as an un-remarried spouse of an enrolled member of such incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated volunteer ambulance service who was killed in the line of duty.
- (b) Such deceased volunteer had been an enrolled member for at least twenty years.
- (c) Such deceased volunteer and un-remarried spouse had been receiving the exemption of such property prior to the death of such volunteer.

**SECTION 8. Application process.**

- A. Applications for such exemption, including department certification, shall be filed with the assessor of the village or town on or before the taxable status date on a form as prescribed by the New York State Commissioner for the Office of Real Property Tax Services. ((NYS RP-466-a-vol, or successor)
- B. The assessor of the village or town shall have the duty and responsibility of procuring and filing a copy of such certification prior to granting the exemption provided for by this Local Law.

**SECTION 9. No diminution of current benefits.**

No applicant who is a volunteer firefighter or volunteer ambulance worker who by reason of such status is receiving any benefit under the provisions of law on the effective date of this Local Law shall suffer any diminution of such benefit because of the provisions of this Local Law.

**SECTION 10. Effective Date.**

This local law shall take effect upon its filing with the Secretary of State and shall apply to taxable status dates occurring on or after such date

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**B. A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT SENECA COUNTY LOCAL LAW 5 OF 2023: "A LOCAL LAW AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO ENTER INTO LEASE AGREEMENTS FOR REAL PROPERTY FOR COUNTY PURPOSES FOR A TERM IN EXCESS OF FIVE (5) YEARS"**

*\*\*Board to consider adoption after Public Hearing\*\**

WHEREAS, the Seneca County Board of Supervisors has determined that circumstances may arise the warrant to lease of real property, either for the direct county purposes, or to lease out county owned real property that is not in the immediate needs of the county, but may have such need in the future, for a lease term in excess of five (5) years; and

WHEREAS County Law § 215 would act to limit any such real property lease to a term of no more than five (5) years; and

WHEREAS, a local law, duly enacted by the Board of Supervisors, would provide the authority to enter into real property leases in excess of a five (5) year term; and

WHEREAS, due to the nature of such extended terms, to provide for deliberation and consensus, a two-thirds majority vote of the Board of Supervisors would be necessary to enter into a lease in excess of five (5) years, and that no term of lease shall be allowed to extend more than twenty (20) years; and

WHEREAS the adoption of such a local law is subject to permissive referendum before it can be made effective; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing was duly held on June 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at the County Office Building, 1 DiPronio Dr, Waterloo, NY, and all parties in attendance were permitted an opportunity to speak on behalf of or in opposition to said proposed Local Law, or any part thereof; and

WHEREAS, that copies of the aforesaid Local Law #5 be laid upon the desks of each member of the County Board; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Seneca, after deliberation, finds it in the best interests of the County of Seneca to adopt said Local Law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Seneca hereby adopts Local Law No. 4 of the year 2023, "A LOCAL LAW AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO ENTER INTO LEASE AGREEMENTS FOR REAL PROPERTY FOR COUNTY PURPOSES FOR A TERM IN EXCESS OF FIVE (5) YEARS"; to read in substantially the following form: that Local Law 5 of 2023, attached hereto and titled:

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**A LOCAL LAW AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO ENTER INTO LEASE AGREEMENTS  
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BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Seneca as follows:

SECTION 1. Legislative intent and purpose.

- (a) The Seneca County Board of Supervisors finds and determines from time to time the need arises to lease office or other real estate properties to provide for the needs of the County not otherwise met by existing space or potential purchase of such space.
- (b) Similarly, there may be a determination that certain real property is not currently required for the immediate needs of the County, but such need could arise in the future, making sale of such property not in the best interest of the County.
- (c) Provisions of County Law § 215 would otherwise limit the lease of such properties to no more than five (5) years.
- (d) That by adoption of this local law, the Board would be able to make a determination that such real property leases, in excess of five (5) years, could be determined to be in the best interest of the County and its residents.

SECTION 2. Process.

- a) The guidelines of Seneca County Policy 401.100, "*Land and Building Development*" shall apply to the identification of any property proposed for lease or to be leased.
- b) Upon a report and recommendation made to the Board pursuant to the above policy, that a proposed real property lease in excess of five (5) years, and with a specific proposed term, the Board shall make such final determination of the need and circumstances of the lease and proposed terms.
- c) Any such lease must be made for fair and adequate consideration.
- d) Due to the nature and circumstances of such a determination, the decision to proceed to a lease with a term in excess of five (5) years shall be made only with the approval of a two-thirds majority vote by the Board.
- e) Under no circumstances may a lease of real property be entered into for a term in excess of twenty (20) years.

SECTION 3. Effective Date.

This local law shall take effect upon its filing with the Secretary of State, subject to permissive referendum.

**45. SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY**