

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE
Monday, April 25, 2022 @ 10:00 a.m.

James Monty, Chairman
Thomas Scozzafava, Vice-Chairman

Chairman Monty called this Ways and Means meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with the following supervisors in attendance: Clayton Barber, Robin DeLoria, Stephanie DeZalia, Derek Doty, Shaun Gilliland, Charles Harrington, Roy Holzer, Ken Hughes, Steve McNally, Jim Monty, Tom Scozzafava, Michael Tyler, Davina Winemiller, Margaret Wood and Mark Wright. Noel Merrihew, Matthew Stanley and Joe Pete Wilson were excused.

Department heads present were: James Dougan, Judy Garrison, Daniel Palmer, Max Thwaites and David Reynolds. Dan Manning was excused.

News media: Tim Rowland - Sun News

Also present: William Tansey

MONTY: I will call this Ways & Means meeting to order. Please stand for the pledge. Thank you. Roll call Judy, please. Shaun, you want to address the board?

GILLILLAND: I was called this morning from the Lieutenant Governor's office, the Governor is going to be in Plattsburgh at the Town Hall tomorrow at 1:00, to give a budget briefing and they are looking for, if I can get names and numbers of supervisors I can get you on the list to reserve a seat there, anybody that is interested in going I will need to send that in an email. So people that would like to go let me know. I don't have the email yet, they are putting together an email to send out and a packet of information but it's at the Plattsburgh Town Hall, not the City Hall it's the Town Hall at 1:00 tomorrow, let me know. Thank you.

MONTY: Thank you Shaun. We have no guests, moving onto resolutions.

PUBLIC SAFETY
Monday, April 11, 2022
Chairman – S. McNally Vice-Chairman – I. Tyler

- 1. RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE WEEK OF APRIL 10-16, 2022, AS NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK. Tyler, Scozzafava**
- 2. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TWO, LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE (LPN) POSITIONS AND ONE, PER DIEM LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE (LPN) POSITION IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. Wright, Wood**
- 3. RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO THE ELIZABETHTOWN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL AND CHIEF NURSING OFFICER, JULIE TROMBLEE AND VICTORIA SAVAGE FOR YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE AND PARTNERSHIP WITH THE ESSEX COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. DeLoria, Winemiller**

4. RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS TO THE ESSEX COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND STAFF ON THEIR ACCREDITATION FROM THE NEW YORK STATE SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION. Tyler, unanimous

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Monday, April 11, 2022

Chairman – I. Tyler Vice-Chairman – R. Holzer

5. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN THE FORM OF SALES TAX ABATEMENT AUTHORIZED BY THE ESSEX COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH A PROJECT FOR THE PEAKS AT LAKE PLACID PROJECT IN THE TOWN OF NORTH ELBA. Holzer, Doty
6. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING AGENT TO AWARD A RFP IN THE AMOUNT \$44,708.00, TO GHB GEOSPACIAL FOR DIGITIZING THE BOUNDARIES FROM LOCAL ZONING, TOWN OVERLAYS AND SET UP A SYSTEM FOR DIGITIZING SEWER AND WATER DISTRICT BOUNDARIES, WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY GRANT. Scozzafava, DeLoria
7. RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS AND APPRECIATION TO LINDA GILLILLAND ON HER MANY YEARS OF SERVICE TO CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION. Harrington, unanimous
8. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A LETTER TO SENATORS STEFANIK, GILLIBRAND AND SCHUMER REQUESTING \$900,000.00 FOR BROADBAND EXPANSION IN ESSEX COUNTY. Hughes, Tyler
9. RESOLUTION RECOMMENDED BY THE LOW AND MODERATE INCOME HOUSING TASK FORCE - AUTHORIZING TO BEGIN THE APPLICATION PROCESS TO FORM A SOLE LAND BANK FOR ESSEX COUNTY. Barber, Hughes

HUMAN SERVICES

Monday, April 11, 2022

Chairman – JP. Wilson Vice-Chairman - C. Harrington

8. RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF APRIL AS CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH. DeZalia, unanimous
9. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH CIGNA/EVERNORTH FOR PATIENT FEE REIMBURSEMENT IN THE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT. Holzer, Hughes
10. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH INNOVATEL FOR A PSYCHIATRIC NURSE PRACTITIONER IN THE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT, AT A RATE OF \$139.00 AN HOUR. DeZalia, Wright

11. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT, INCREASING REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$187,910.00, 2021 CARRYOVER SAMHSA GRANT. Scozzafava, Tyler
12. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH COORDINATED CARE SERVICES, INC. AND BRIEF FOR IMPLEMENTING TRAUMA-RESPONSIVE PRACTICES, TRAINING AND CONSULTING IN THE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,000.00. Wright, Wood
13. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH GREAT RANGE FOR THE PLANNING AND COORDINATION OF THE 2022 SCHOOL COUNSELOR SUMMIT IN THE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,000.00. Harrington, Wood
14. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT INCREASING REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000.00, FROM OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH TO EXPAND MOBILE CRISIS SERVICES. Tyler, DeZalia
15. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH TRICARE FOR PATIENT FEE REIMBURSEMENT IN THE MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT. Wood, Wright
16. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT INCREASING REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$965,353.78, 2021 CARRY OVER DSRIP FUNDS. Tyler, Barber
17. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT INCREASING REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,131.12, 2021 CARRY OVER RECRUITMENT & RETENTION FUNDS. Scozzafava, Winemiller
18. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE OFFICE FOR THE AGING TO ACCEPT \$85,000.00, FROM NEW YORK STATE OFFICE FOR THE AGING TO PROVIDE SERVICES FOR UNMET NEEDS OF OLDER ADULTS WITH NO COUNTY MATCH, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING A BUDGET AMENDMENT INCREASING REVENUES AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SAME. Tyler, Scozzafava

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Monday, April 18, 2022

Chairman – R. DeLoria Vice-Chairman – C. Barber

19. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT TO LAKE PLACID MARATHON/INSPIRATION SPORTS, LLC FOR THE USE OF COUNTY ROADWAYS FOR THE 2022 LAKE PLACID MARATHON. Doty, Holzer
20. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING AGENT TO AWARD A PURCHASE ORDER TO RR CHARLEBOIS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$280,854.00, FOR A NEW

AND UNUSED 2023 WESTERN STAR TANDEM PLOW TRUCK IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM BUDGETED FUNDS AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAID PURCHASE ORDER. DeLoria, Holzer

- 21. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING AGENT TO AWARD A PURCHASE ORDER TO RR CHARLEBOIS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$154,530.00, FOR A NEW AND UNUSED 2023 WESTERN STAR TANDEM AXEL TRACTOR IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM BUDGETED FUNDS AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAID PURCHASE ORDER. DeLoria, Doty**
- 22. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH REAL CONSTRUCTION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$29,600.00, FOR LABOR AND EQUIPMENT NECESSARY FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF A SECTION OF COUNTY ROUTE 80, LAKE SHORE ROAD, LOCATED IN THE TOWN OF WESTPORT WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM BUDGETED FUNDS. Tyler, Doty**
- 23. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH REAL CONSTRUCTION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$33,100.00, FOR LABOR AND EQUIPMENT NECESSARY FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF A SECTION OF COUNTY ROUTE 47, PEARL STREET, LOCATED IN THE TOWN OF CROWN POINT WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM BUDGETED FUNDS. Harrington, Wright**
- 24. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY CHAIRMAN OR COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH REAL CONSTRUCTION IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$34,900.00, FOR LABOR AND EQUIPMENT NECESSARY FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF A SECTION OF COUNTY ROUTE 6, TRACY ROAD, LOCATED IN THE TOWN OF MORIAH WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM BUDGETED FUNDS. Scozzafava, Doty**
- 25. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PERMIT ALLOWING THE USE OF COUNTY ROADWAYS FOR THE WILMINGTON WHITEFACE 100K MOUNTAIN BIKE RACE TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, JUNE 4, 2022. Holzer, Wood**

PERSONNEL

Monday, April 18, 2022

Chairman – S. DeZalia Vice-Chairman – JP. Wilson

NO RESOLUTIONS

FINANCE/TAX REDUCTION/MANDATE RELIEF

Monday, April 18, 2022

Chairman – T. Scozzafava Vice-Chairman – N. Merrihew

- 26. RESOLUTION APPROVING AND RATIFYING THE CONTRACT WITH THE ESSEX COUNTY SHERIFF'S UNIT 6800-01 CHAPTER OF THE CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES' ASSOCIATION, INC. (CSEA) SUCH CONTRACT SHALL BE EFFECTIVE AS THE DATE OF THE SUCCESSFUL RATIFICATION OF THE PROPOSED TENTATIVE AGREEMENT BY BOTH PARTIES. THE RATIFICATION OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL SUPERSEDE THE PREVIOUSLY AGREED UPON SHERIFF'S UNIT CONTRACT LANGUAGE ADOPTED BY THE PARTIES IN DECEMBER OF CALENDAR YEAR 2021. IF EITHER PARTY FAILS TO ACHIEVE A SUCCESSFUL RATIFICATION, THE ALL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT RATIFIED IN DECEMBER OF 2021 SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT UNTIL MIDNIGHT DECEMBER 31, 2022. DeZalia, Tyler**
- 27. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE OF THE MAIL ROOM PETTY CASH ACCOUNT FROM \$50.00 TO \$1,000.00, TO COVER THE EXPENSE OF POSTAGE FOR THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS. Scozzafava, Barber**
- 28. RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING MAY 2, 2022, AS RAYMOND "BUZZY" WRIGHT DAY IN ESSEX COUNTY. Scozzafava, unanimous**
- 29. RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY OF RICHARD GARCIA. Barber, unanimous**
- 30. RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF A LETTER OF INTEREST TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE NORTHERN BORDER REGIONAL COMMISSION SEEKING FUNDING FOR BROADBAND EXPANSION IN ESSEX COUNTY. Holzer, Tyler – WITHDRAWN**

MONTY: Discussion?

HUGHES: After multiple attempts to contact the Department of the State via email and phone calls I was unable to seal the deal on that unfortunately so, there will be no letter of interest was submitted to Northern Borders Regional Commission for Broadband Expansion in Essex County.

MONTY: Was this the general number for the Department of State?

HUGHES: No, well I called Kyle Wilbur. If you go to the NYDS website, on the bottom there it was Mr. Wilbur. Mr. Wilbur and I played phone tag and he got back to me on Friday about 11:00 which was the deadline so I told him we would punt this year and consider next year. It was a Hail Mary at the end, it just didn't work out. It is not without trying.

MONTY: I understand and I applaud your efforts. I'm very dissatisfied with the Department of State, it's typical what's going on with our State Government where they are not responding to calls.

HUGHES: Well, I can say that I am pleased that we are looking at \$900,000 from the Federal Government so we'll go with that.

MONTY: Again, thank you Ken for the effort, much appreciated.

HUGHES: Of course.

SCOZZAFAVA: For the record, I agree with you Jim. Any Supervisors that ever had to work with the Department of State, they are the most dysfunctional department in New York State that exist next to Corrections.

MONTY: Hey, now Corrections is good.

SCOZZAFAVA: They are horrible.

HUGHES: So, I don't know the procedure if it needs to remain?

PALMER: You could move to withdraw the resolution.

HUGHES: Then I would move to withdraw the resolution.

MONTY: Motion to withdraw by Mr. Hughes, do we have a second? Ms. Wood. Discussion? No discussion, all in favor signify by saying aye, opposed – carried.

GARRISON: Under miscellaneous – a resolution authorizing the purchasing agent to purchase from sole source provider, Porter Nitrous Systems, a Nitronox Nitrous Oxide Field Unit on behalf of the Keene EMS, under intermunicipal agreement MISC-27-004, in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00, with budgeted funds.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING AGENT TO PURCHASE FROM SOLE SOURCE PROVIDER, PORTER NITROUS SYSTEMS, A NITRONOX NITROUS OXIDE FIELD UNIT ON BEHALF OF THE KEENE EMS, UNDER INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT MISC-27-004, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$7,500.00, WITH BUDGETED FUNDS. Holzer, Doty

MONTY: Discussion? I guess my question is, is this out of the EMS grant?

PALMER: Yes.

MONTY: Further discussion? All in favor signify by saying aye, opposed – carried.

GARRISON: And one more under miscellaneous, it's not on your listing but I did send everyone email last week, a resolution accepting the mortgage tax report.

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE MORTGAGE TAX REPORT. Scozzafava, Gilliland

MONTY: Resolutions from the floor?

GILLILLAND: I have a resolution. I was contacted by and through Mr. Monty, the Scout Master of Troop 70 in the Adirondack Council for a young man from Moriah, Kendrick Thomas Peters has completed all requirements for Eagle Scout and is going to be awarded Eagle Scout, he did his Eagle Scout project was pressure washing and staining the handicap ramp and porch at the Moriah Town Court House. So I'm asking for a resolution of congratulations to Kendrick Thomas Peters on receiving rank of Eagle Scout.

RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS TO KENDRICK THOMAS PETERS ON RECEIVING RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT. Scozzafava, unanimous

MONTY: That's Keith's son, right Tom?

SCOZZAFAVA: Yes and he did a great job.

MONTY: Anything else from the floor? I do have a resolution of condolence to the family of Wilma Crowningshield, a long time tax collector in the Town of Lewis as well as Clerk to the Supervisor for Mr. Glebus, she passed away recently.

RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY OF WILMA CROWINGSHIELD. Monty, unanimous

MONTY: Thank you. Dan, do you have anything?

PALMER: No.

MONTY: Shaun, anything else? I guess we have a Low to Moderate Income Housing at 11:00. I do want to remind Supervisors that I have eight that have responded to my request of an overview of your communities. In order for me to put together a picture of what I feel Essex County needs it's good because a lot of these that I received so far, lot of similarities but most importantly, there's a lot of differences which is good. I think in order to move forward in the land bank discussion this input will help us make that presentation. With that being said, we are adjourned. Thank you.

As there was no further discussion to come before this Ways & Means Committee it was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith Garrison, Clerk
Board of Supervisors