

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY SERVICES TO MAKE AN
EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF TWO LOW-BAND PAGING BASE
STATIONS WITH PHONES, WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM THE
RADIO PROJECT, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$28,700.00**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Morrow, who moved its adoption.

Upon the approval and recommendation of the Public Safety Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes Emergency Services to purchase two Low-Band Base Stations with receivers, in an amount not to exceed \$28,700.00, as an emergency purchase and not subject to procurement, with funds to come from the Radio Project.

This resolution was seconded by Supervisor Merrihew, and duly adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

AYES: 2584 votes
NOES: 0 votes
ABSENT: 259 votes (Boisen, Connell, Preston)

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASING AGENT TO GO TO BID
AND AWARD, FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES, FOR A TRANSMITTER
BUILDING ON LITTLE WHITEFACE MOUNTAIN, WITH FUNDS TO
COME FROM THE RADIO PROJECT**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Merrihew, who moved its adoption.

Upon the approval and recommendation of the Public Safety Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County Purchasing Agent to go to bid and award for a transmitter building on Little Whiteface Mountain, with funds to come from Radio Project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Chairman or County Manager to execute a contract for the same, upon the approval of the County Attorney.

This resolution was seconded by Supervisor Morrow, and duly adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

AYES: 2584 votes
NOES: 0 votes
ABSENT: 259 votes (Boisen, Connell, Preston)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Morency, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation and approval of the various Committees, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby amends the 2011 Essex County Budget as follows:

From the Public Safety Committee:

1. For the Emergency Services Department, to increase revenues and appropriations by \$4,500.00 for 2008 Homeland Security tennis grant funds, as follows:

REVENUES

Account Number	Account Name	Amount
449630	3645 Homeland Security	\$4,500.00

APPROPRIATIONS

Account Number	Account Name	Amount
36452-5260	Other Equipment	\$2,500.00
36454-5423	Telephone	500.00
36454-5487	Misc. Expenses	<u>1,500.00</u>
		\$4,500.00

2. For the Sheriff's Department, to increase revenues and appropriations by \$30,000.00 for federal grant received from the Byrne Grant to be used to purchase video teleconferencing equipment as follows:

REVENUES

Account Number	Account Name	Amount
3110.443893	Fed. Aide Byrne Grant	\$30,000.00

APPROPRIATIONS

Account Number	Account Name	Amount
31102.5260BNG	Sheriff Equipment	\$30,000.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this Board authorizes the Chairman and/or County Manager to execute a contract for the purchase of teleconferencing equipment using said funds from Byrne Grant, upon the approval of the County Attorney.

This resolution was seconded by Supervisor Blades, and duly adopted, upon a roll-call vote as follows:

AYES: 2584 votes
NOES: 0 votes
ABSENT: 259 votes (Boisen, Connell, Preston)

**RESOLUTION URGING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
AND FEMA TO RECONSIDER INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE FOR
THOSE WHO RECEIVED DAMAGE RESULTING FROM THE
RECENT FLOOD EVENTS**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisors Ferebee and Scozzafava, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, on or about April 26th, 2011, Essex County declared a state of emergency as a result of severe storms, flooding, tornadoes and straight-line winds; and

WHEREAS, the June 10, 2011, major disaster declaration FEMA-1993-DR authorized Public Assistance for 21 requested counties and Hazard Mitigation statewide and on June 29, 2011, a subsequent amendment authorized Public Assistance for two additional counties; and

WHEREAS, the damage to infrastructure was significant in each of the areas designated for Public Assistance, however, based on the results of the joint Individual Assistance Preliminary Damage Assessments, it had been determined that the damage to the residences as a result of this event was not of the severity and magnitude to warrant the designation of the Individual Assistance program under major disaster declaration, FEMA-1993-DR and the request for Individual Assistance was denied; and

WHEREAS, an appeal pursuant to 44 CFR §206.46, with additional information justifying the appeal may be submitted within thirty days of denial notification; and

BE IT RESOLVED that the Essex County Board of Supervisors strongly urges the President of the United States and FEMA to reconsider the Individual Assistance program relative to the disaster declared on April 26th, 2011, under major disaster declaration, FEMA-1993-CR and that provision can be made for individual property owners who were damaged as a result of the recent flood event; and

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution be sent to the President of the United State, Governor Andrew Cuomo, U.S. Department of Homeland Security (FEMA) and all those deemed necessary and proper.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS TO
AARON CONNORS OF THE TOWN OF BLACK BROOK FOR
OBTAINING THE EAGLE SCOUT AWARD**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Douglas, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Public Safety Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, Aaron Connors is a resident of the Town of Black Brook; and

WHEREAS, Aaron Connors is entitled to receive Scouting's highest honor, the rank of Eagle Scout; and

WHEREAS, to earn the rank of Eagle Scout you must earn a total of at least 21 badges, 12 of which are Eagle Merit Badges, you must spend 6 months as a youth leader in your troop demonstrating leadership and do service projects that would benefit your community, school or church; and

WHEREAS, being an Eagle Scout requires the scout to master scouting skills, outdoor knowledge, render leadership services, practice citizenship & ethical behavior of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Aaron Connors has more than fulfilled all of the necessary requirements to receive scouting's highest honor, Eagle Scout.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby extend their heartiest congratulations to Aaron Connors on a job well-done and for all of his accomplishments as a Boy Scout and for receiving the Eagle Scout Award; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Board of Supervisors, with a suitably embossed copy thereof to be forwarded to Aaron Connors.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF
DAVID W. CONNELL**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisors Douglas and Morrow, who moved its adoption.

Upon the approval and recommendation of the Economic Development Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, David W. Connell of Ballston Spa, New York, and formerly of AuSable Forks, passed away on June 29, 2011; and

WHEREAS, David W. Connell was born on July 29, 1949, the son of Leo P. and Anne (Schofield) Connell; and

WHEREAS, David W. Connell was a graduate of Keeseville Central School, class of 1967; and

WHEREAS, David W. Connell proudly served his country in the United States Army from 1968 to 1970; owned and operated 20 Main Tavern in AuSable Forks for 25 years; was an avid sports fan and New York Giants fan; and volunteered countless hours to AuSable Forks Fast Pitch Association for many years; and

WHEREAS, David W. Connell is survived by two sisters and their husbands, Kathleen and Jerry Proper, Mary Anne and James Goff; one brother and sister-in-law, Martin and Mary Connell; two nieces; three nephews and a special friend, Mary Claire Smythe; and

WHEREAS, David W. Connell was the cousin of Daniel Connell, Supervisor of the Town of Westport; and

WHEREAS, David W. Connell was a devoted and loving son, brother, uncle, cousin and friend who will be sorely missed but never forgotten.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors, its Clerk of the Board, County Manager and County Attorney hereby express and extend their deepest and most sincere sympathy and condolences to the family of David W. Connell; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Board of Supervisors, with a suitably embossed copy thereof to be forwarded to the Connell family.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION, AND
FUNDING IN THE FIRST INSTANCE 100% OF THE FEDERAL-AID
AND STATE "MARCHISELLI" PROGRAM-AID ELIGIBLE COSTS, OF
A TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL-AID PROJECT, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Canon, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Department of Public Works Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, a Project for the Bridge Repair: BIN 3302680 Tahawus Road (CR25) over Hudson River, P.I.N. 1759.26 (the "Project") is eligible for funding under Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs such program to be borne at the ratio of 80% Federal funds and 20% non-federal funds; and

WHEREAS, the County of Essex desires to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the non-federal share of the costs of Design and Right of Way Incidentals.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Essex County Board of Supervisors, duly convened does hereby

RESOLVE, that the Board hereby approved the above-subject project; and it is hereby further

RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County of Essex to pay in the first instance 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the cost of Design and Right of Way Incidentals work for the Project or portions thereof; and it is further

RESOLVED that the sum of \$171,000.00 (One hundred seventy one thousand dollars and no cents) is hereby appropriated from **H52454 5445** and made available to cover the cost of participation in the above phase of the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that in the event the full federal and non-federal share costs of the project exceeds the amount appropriated above, the Essex County Board of Supervisors shall convene as soon as possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the New York State Department of Transportation thereof; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors or DPW Superintendent of the County of Essex be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests for Federal Aid and/or Marchiselli Aid on behalf of the County of Essex with the New York State Department of Transportation in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and the municipality's first instance funding of project costs and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid and state-aid eligible Project costs and all Project costs within appropriations therefore that are not so eligible; and it is further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution take effect immediately.

This resolution was seconded by Supervisor Ferebee, and duly adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

AYES: 2584 votes
NOES: 0 votes
ABSENT: 259 votes (Boisen, Connell, Preston)

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION, AND
FUNDING IN THE FIRST INSTANCE 100% OF THE FEDERAL-AID
AND STATE "MARCHISELLI" PROGRAM-AID ELIGIBLE COSTS, OF
A TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL-AID PROJECT, AND
APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Moses, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Department of Public Works Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, a Project for the New Bridge Construction: Mountain View Drive Reber Culvert (CR14) over Cold Brook, P.I.N. 1759.25 (the "Project") is eligible for funding under Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs such program to be borne at the ratio of 80% Federal funds and 20% non-federal funds; and

WHEREAS, the County of Essex desires to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the non-federal share of the costs of Design and Right of Way Incidentals.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Essex County Board of Supervisors, duly convened does hereby

RESOLVE, that the Board hereby approved the above-subject project; and it is hereby further

RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County of Essex to pay in the first instance 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the cost of Design and Right of Way Incidentals work for the Project or portions thereof; and it is further

RESOLVED that the sum of \$268,000.00 (Two hundred sixty eight thousand dollars and no cents) (\$255,449.00 for Design and \$12,551 for Right of Way Incidentals) is hereby appropriated from **H52434 5445** and made available to cover the cost of participation in the above phase of the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that in the event the full federal and non-federal share costs of the project exceeds the amount appropriated above, the Essex County Board of Supervisors shall convene as soon as possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the New York State Department of Transportation thereof; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors or DPW Superintendent of the County of Essex be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests for Federal Aid and/or Marchiselli Aid on behalf of the County of Essex with the New York State Department of Transportation in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and the municipality's first instance funding of project costs and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid and state-aid eligible Project costs and all Project costs within appropriations therefore that are not so eligible; and it is further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution take effect immediately.

This resolution was seconded by Supervisor Merrihew, and duly adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

AYES: 2584 votes
NOES: 0 votes
ABSENT: 259 votes (Boisen, Connell, Preston)

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO SCALZO
CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITIONAL \$1,148.00, FOR ADDITIONAL
WORK ON THE NUTRITION BUILDING ROOF DUE TO
UNANTICIPATED STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS WITH THE EXISTING
SHEATHING, WITH FUNDS TO COME FROM THE RESERVE FUND**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Scozzafava, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Department of Public Works Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Chairman and/or County Manager to execute an amendment to the contract with Scalzo Construction to pay an additional \$1,148.00 for additional work on the Nutrition Building roof due to unanticipated structural problems with the existing sheathing, with funds to come from the Reserve Fund, upon the approval of the County Attorney.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor Dobie, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

AYES: 2584 votes
NOES: 0 votes
ABSENT: 259 votes (Boisen, Connell, Preston)

**RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF
JAMES R. LAVIGNE**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Scozzafava, who moved its adoption.

Upon the approval and recommendation of the Department of Public Works Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, James (Jim) R. LaVigne passed away on May 29, 2011 in Charlottesville, Virginia; and

WHEREAS, James (Jim) R. LaVigne was born in Morrisonville, New York on September 26, 1931, the son of Donald (Patrick) and Mildred (Duesberg) LaVigne; and

WHEREAS, James (Jim) R. LaVigne was a graduate of Mineville High School in 1949 and enlisted in the U.S. Air Force, making it his career; and

WHEREAS, James (Jim) R. LaVigne proudly served his country for 28 years, retiring with the rank of Chief Master Sergeant; served two tours of duty in Vietnam and was Sergeant Major at Mildenhall Air Force Base in England; and

WHEREAS, James (Jim) R. LaVigne was an avid sports fan and particularly enjoyed NASCAR, Premier League Soccer and NCAA Women's basketball; and

WHEREAS, James (Jim) R. LaVigne enjoyed entertaining family and friends at his home on Lake Monticello in Virginia, where he and his wife Carol lived since 1988; and

WHEREAS, James (Jim) R. LaVigne is survived by his wife, Carol (Brown) LaVigne; two sons, James LaVigne, Jr. and Anthony J. LaVigne and wife Martina; two grandchildren, Martin and Katherine; four brothers; Gary, Donald, Michael and Robert LaVigne; one sister; Sharyl Wood; and

WHEREAS, James (Jim) R. LaVigne was predeceased by his first wife Dorothy (Putnam) LaVigne; and

WHEREAS, James (Jim) R. LaVigne was the beloved father of Anthony J. LaVigne, Superintendent of Essex County Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, James (Jim) R. LaVigne was a devoted and loving son, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend who will be sorely missed but never forgotten.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors, its Clerk of the Board, County Manager and County Attorney hereby express and extend their deepest and most sincere sympathy and condolences to the family of James (Jim) R. LaVigne; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Board of Supervisors, with a suitably embossed copy thereof to be forwarded to the LaVigne family.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO
MICHAEL BRENISH
UPON HIS RETIREMENT FROM ESSEX COUNTY
INFORMATION SYSTEMS**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Scozzafava, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, Michael Brenish began employment with the County of Essex in 1984 and served as Information Systems Director and left Essex County in 1997 to care for his parents before returning in 2002; and

WHEREAS, Michael Brenish has graciously, competently and with professionalism performed his duties in Information Systems and has provided invaluable information and knowledge to Essex County; and

WHEREAS, the Essex County Board of Supervisors wishes to extend its deep and abiding appreciation to Michael Brenish for his dedication and service to Essex County.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors, its Clerk of the Board, County Manager and County Attorney hereby extend their most heartfelt appreciation to Michael Brenish for his dedication and service to Essex County and upon his retirement from Essex County Information Systems and wishes him continued success and best wishes in his future endeavors.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and duly adopted.

**RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION AND CONGRATULATIONS TO
THE SCHROON LAKE ASSOCIATION
ON THEIR 100TH ANNIVERSARY**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Moses, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, The Schroon Lake Association was founded in 1911, to protect Schroon Lake, the 4,126 acre lake which is surrounded by the Towns of Chester, Schroon and Horicon; and

WHEREAS, in 2006, The Schroon Lake Association, later joined by the East Shore Association, and with the help of many dedicated volunteers, developed the “Schroon Lake Management Master Plan”, a working document to provide guidance for the future care of the lake and its watershed; and

WHEREAS, 2011 marks the 100th Anniversary of The Schroon Lake Association.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby extends its most sincere congratulations to The Schroon Lake Association and the many leaders and volunteers on celebrating 100 years of service and dedication to the protection of Schroon Lake.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY OF
HONORABLE CHARLES P. GARVEY**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Scozzafava, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, Hon. Charles Patrick Garvey of Ticonderoga, New York passed away on July 12, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Hon. Charles Patrick Garvey was born on November 10, 1923, in Port Henry, New York, the son of Ella Ryan Garvey and Charles John Garvey; and

WHEREAS, Hon. Charles Patrick Garvey graduated from Mineville High School class of 1941; and

WHEREAS, Hon. Charles Patrick Garvey enlisted in the U.S. Army and became part of the Allied Expeditionary Force that landed on Normandy Beach three days following the D-Day invasion, and as a soldier in the 90th Infantry Division marched through France and into Belgium where he fought in the Battle of the Bulge. He was awarded the Purple Heart for injuries sustained during this battle; and

WHEREAS, Hon. Charles Patrick Garvey met his wife Jane Kinne while at Syracuse University and upon graduation from Syracuse in 1948, moved to Mineville, where he opened an insurance agency; and

WHEREAS, Hon. Charles Patrick Garvey enrolled in Albany Law School in 1958, was admitted to the New York State Bar in 1961, and began the private practice of law in Port Henry, New York; and

WHEREAS, in 1974, Hon. Charles Patrick Garvey was elected County, Surrogate and Family Court Judge for the County of Essex serving with the highest degree of distinction, integrity and intelligence until his retirement from the bench in 1991; and

WHEREAS, as jurist and practicing attorney, Judge Garvey was regarded amongst his peers as a consummate gentlemen both professionally and personally and was respected for his knowledge of the law and his fair interpretation and application of the law in his courtroom; and

WHEREAS, after retiring from the bench in 1991, Judge Garvey continued to practice law and served as a Judicial Hearing Officer for several years; and

WHEREAS, Judge Garvey has served the County of Essex with distinction and integrity throughout his career on the judicial bench exhibiting the highest degree of professionalism and knowledge of the law; and

WHEREAS, Judge Garvey was a distinguished and highly regarded resident of Ticonderoga and Essex County who has made valuable and lasting contributions to the people of his town and to the County and he will sorely missed; and

WHEREAS, Judge Garvey thoroughly enjoyed time spent with his family and friends, loved golf, Moriah football and his camp on Lincoln Pond; and

WHEREAS, Judge Garvey was a loving son, husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend who will be sorely missed but never forgotten.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors, its Clerk of the Board, County Manager and County Attorney, his friend, hereby express and extend their deepest and most sincere sympathy and condolences to the family of the Hon. Charles Patrick Garvey; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Board of Supervisors, with a suitably embossed copy thereof to be forwarded to the Garvey family.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY OF
JUDITH M. MEACHEM**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Scozzafava, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, with the approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, Judith M. Meachem of Mineville, New York passed away on July 8, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Judith M. Meachem is survived by her two sons, Jerry and Joseph Meachem, her daughter, JoAnn Lee; her mother Reatha Gromoshak and her husband Al Gromoshak; three sisters, Jean Bonito, Terry Manchester and Sandi Gromoshak; her brother Gary Gromoshak; three special grandchildren, Jesse and Meaghan Lee and Jasper Meachem; and

WHEREAS, Judith M. Meachem was the beloved mother of JoAnne Lee, an employee of the Essex County Department of Social Services; and

WHEREAS, Judith M. Meachem enjoyed her cat Mugsy, shopping, being outside and many trips to Akwesane with close friends, Harold and Kay; and

WHEREAS, Judith M. Meachem was a loving daughter, mother, grandmother, sister and friend who will be sorely missed but never forgotten.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors, its Clerk of the Board, County Manager and County Attorney, hereby express and extend their deepest and most sincere sympathy and condolences to the family of the Judith M. Meachem; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Board of Supervisors, with a suitably embossed copy thereof to be forwarded to the Meachem family.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2011-2012 NORTH COUNTRY
COMMUNITY COLLEGE OPERATING BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT
OF \$13,193,000.00 AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF
\$1,190,000.00 IN THE 2012 ESSEX COUNTY BUDGET AS ESSEX
COUNTY'S SPONSOR SHARE (\$1,140,000.00 OPERATING AND
\$50,000.00 CAPITAL FUND ACCOUNT)**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisors Morency and Politi, who moved its adoption.

Upon the approval and recommendations of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, North Country Community College has filed its tentative operating and capital budgets for the 2011-2012 year with the Clerk of this Board; and

WHEREAS, the tentative operating budget is in the total amount of \$13,193,000.00 and seeks a sponsor contribution from Essex County in the amount of \$1,190,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the tentative budget is in the amount of \$1,140,000.00 operating and \$50,000.00 capital fund account; and

WHEREAS, on July 18, 2011, this Board of Supervisors, pursuant to due notice, conducted a public hearing on the tentative operating and capital budgets.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Essex County Board of Supervisors, after due consideration, hereby approves the 2011-2012 North Country Community College operating budget in the total amount of \$13,193,000.00 and authorizes the appropriation of \$1,140,000.00 in the 2012 Essex County Budget as Essex County's share of the sponsor-paid portion of such budget to be allocated therein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Essex County Board of Supervisors, after due consideration, hereby approves the 2011-2012 North Country Community College capital budget in the total amount of \$1,140,000.00 and authorizes the expenditure of \$50,000.00 from the 2012 Essex County Budget as Essex County's share of the sponsor-paid portion of such budget to be allocated therein.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisors Malaney and Merrihew, and adopted, upon a roll-call vote as follows:

AYES: 2431 votes
NOES: 153 votes (Hatch)
ABSENT: 259 votes (Boisen, Connell, Preston)

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF ELECTIONS TO
TRAIN AND HIRE, ON AN AS NEEDED BASIS, COUNTY
EMPLOYEES FOR THE UPCOMING 2011 ELECTION**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Morrow, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Board of Election to train and hire, on an as needed basis, Essex County employees for the upcoming 2011 election.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor Moses, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

AYES: 2233 votes
NOES: 351 votes (Scozzafava)
ABSENT: 259 votes (Boisen, Connell, Preston)

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE
SALE OF A SURPLUS 30-YARD DUMP TRAILER AND
HYDRAULIC POST DRIVER TOWARD THE PURCHASE OF TWO
LOADERS, WITH THE REMAINING FUNDS TO COME FROM THE
ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Ferebee, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Department of Public Works to purchase two loaders at a cost of \$12,384.00, with funds to come from the sale of a surplus 30-yard dump trailer and hydraulic post driver in the amount of \$7,000.00 and the balance of \$5,384.00 to come from the Road Machinery Account.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor Morency, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

AYES: 2584 votes
NOES: 0 votes
ABSENT: 259 votes (Boisen, Connell, Preston)

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION, AND FUNDING IN THE FIRST INSTANCE 100% OF THE FEDERAL-AID AND STATE "MARCHISELLI" PROGRAM-AID ELIGIBLE COSTS, OF A TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL-AID PROJECT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Malaney, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Ways and Means Committee of this body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, a Project for the Bridge Repair: BIN 3302520 Elk Drive over LaChute River, P.I.N. 1757.60 (the "Project") is eligible for funding under Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs such program to be borne at the ratio of 80% Federal funds and 20% non-federal funds; and

WHEREAS, the County of Essex desires to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the non-federal share of the costs of Design and Right of Way Incidentals.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Essex County Board of Supervisors, duly convened does hereby

RESOLVE, that the Board hereby approved the above-subject project; and it is hereby further

RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County of Essex to pay in the first instance 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the cost of Design and Right of Way Incidentals work for the Project or portions thereof; and it is further

RESOLVED that the sum of \$297,500.00 (Two hundred ninety-seven thousand five hundred dollars and no cents) is hereby appropriated from **H52444 5445** and made available to cover the cost of participation in the Design phase of the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that in the event the full federal and non-federal share costs of the project exceeds the amount appropriated above, the Essex County Board of Supervisors shall convene as soon as possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the New York State Department of Transportation thereof; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors or DPW Superintendent of the County of Essex be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests for Federal Aid and/or Marchiselli Aid on behalf of the County of Essex with the New York State Department of Transportation in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and the municipality's first instance funding of project costs and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid and state-aid eligible Project costs and all Project costs within appropriations therefore that are not so eligible; and it is further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution take effect immediately.

This resolution was seconded by Supervisor Morency, and duly adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

AYES: 2584 votes
NOES: 0 votes
ABSENT: 259 votes (Boisen, Connell, Preston)

**RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF
MAURICE W. "MOE" MACDOUGAL**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Hatch, who moved its adoption.

Upon the approval and recommendation of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, Maurice W. "Moe" MacDougal of Willsboro, New York passed away on July 16, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Maurice W. "Moe" MacDougal was born in Elizabethtown, New York on March 4, 1935, the son of Roy and Orma (Covey) MacDougal; and

WHEREAS, Maurice W. "Moe" MacDougal was a graduate of Willsboro Central School, class of 1952; and

WHEREAS, Maurice W. "Moe" MacDougal retired from Canadian Pacific Rail formerly known as the Delaware & Hudson Rail after 43 years; was an Essex County voting machine custodian for many years; President of the Board of Education at Willsboro Central School for 12 years; Vice President of North Country Mustang Club and a member, with lifelong friend, Jack Williams, of the dance band The Coachmen for almost thirty years; and

WHEREAS, Maurice W. "Moe" MacDougal enjoyed working on the Mustangs, watching cooking shows, trying recipes for himself and his wife, watching his favorite baseball team, the New York Yankees and NASCAR; and

WHEREAS, Maurice W. "Moe" MacDougal had a great sense of humor and showed tremendous courage and strength through his long illness; and

WHEREAS, Maurice W. "Moe" MacDougal is survived by his wife of 53 years, Frances (Bayless) MacDougall; three sons, Craig and Peggy MacDougal, Eric MacDougal and Darin and Angela MacDougal; one daughter, Christel MacDougal and her fiancé, Tom Sherman; and

WHEREAS, Maurice W. "Moe" MacDougal is also survived by a very special granddaughter, Angell MacDougal and her friend, Josh Murphy; and grandchildren, Kristina Macchiaroli and husband Mike, Kelly McElroy, Scott Hamblin and Michael MacDougal and Mathew and Allison Sherman; great-grandchildren, Jared Stevens, Jacob Lopez and Ryan McElroy; one brother-in-law, William Bayless and his wife Evelyn; and several nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Maurice W. "Moe" MacDougal was a devoted and loving son, husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother, uncle, and friend who will be sorely missed but never forgotten.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors, its Clerk of the Board, County Manager and County Attorney hereby express and extend their deepest and most sincere sympathy and condolences to the family of Maurice W. "Moe" MacDougal ; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Board of Supervisors, with a suitably embossed copy thereof to be forwarded to the MacDougal family.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**RESOLUTION SETTING THE 2011 RATE FOR ELECTION
INSPECTORS AT \$11.00 PER HOUR, CHAIR FEE AT \$25.00,
TRAINING AT \$30.00 FOR THE CLASS AND THE STANDARD
MILEAGE RATE**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Morrow, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the 2011 rates for Election Inspectors at \$11.00 per hour, Chair fee at \$25.00, training at \$30.00 for the class and the standard mileage rate for travel.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor Blades, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

AYES: 2584 votes
NOES: 0 votes
ABSENT: 259 votes (Boisen, Connell, Preston)

**RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE TO THE FAMILY OF
BLANCHE MCCASLAND**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Politi, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation and approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, Blanche McCasland of Lake Placid, New York passed away on June 26, 2011, at the age of 105; and

WHEREAS, Blanche McCasland was born on March 1, 1906, the daughter of Leon and Essie (Lawrence) Tousley; and

WHEREAS, Blanche McCasland was valedictorian of the Class of 1923 and was the oldest Lake Placid High School alum; and

WHEREAS, Blanche McCasland worked many years at the Lake Placid Club and for the Lake Placid Chamber of Commerce; was very active with the Lake Placid Senior Citizens and, at one point, was Senior Citizen of the Year; and

WHEREAS, Blanche McCasland was a former member of the Order of the Eastern Star and the American Legion Women's Auxiliary; and

WHEREAS, Blanche McCasland enjoyed rides in the car, fishing and fond memories of racing trotter and pacer horses. She had the privilege of meeting five U.S. Presidents and, last year, recited the Gettysburg Address from memory in front of two of her great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Blanche McCasland is survived by her sister, Leona Williams; her daughter Catherine Nugent; three sons, James McCasland, Norman McCasland and his wife Linda, and Edward McCasland and his wife Kay; 12 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and great-great-grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Blanche McCasland was a loving daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and friend who will be sorely missed but never forgotten.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors, its Clerk of the Board, County Manager and County Attorney, hereby express and extend their deepest and most sincere sympathy and condolences to the family of the Blanche McCasland; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Board of Supervisors, with a suitably embossed copy thereof to be forwarded to the McCasland family.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**RESOLUTION OF CONGRATULATIONS TO
THE CHILSON VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY ON THE
CELEBRATION OF THEIR 50TH ANNIVERSARY**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Malaney, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation and approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, the Chilson Volunteer Fire Company is celebrating 50 years of volunteer service.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby expresses its deep appreciation to the Chilson Volunteer Fire Company for its exemplary service and congratulates it upon its 50th anniversary of voluntary service.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and duly adopted.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF UP TO \$15,000.00
TO THE NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES AS
HOST COUNTY FOR THE 2011 FALL CONFERENCE TO BE
HELD IN LAKE PLACID, NEW YORK, SUCH FUNDS TO BE
APPROPRIATED FROM THE CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Canon, who moved its adoption.

Upon the recommendation and approval of the Ways and Means Committee of this Body, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, Essex County will be the host county of the New York State Association of Counties Fall Conference to be held in Lake Placid, New York; and

WHEREAS, a payment to NYSAC of up to \$15,000.00 as host County for the NYSAC Conference, with such funds to come from Contingency Account #19904-5487 into Board of Supervisors Account #10104-5487.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Essex County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes a payment of up to \$15,000.00 to NYSAC as host county for the NYSAC Fall Conference, with such funds appropriated from the Contingency Account #19904-5487 to Board of Supervisors Account #10104-5487.

This resolution was duly seconded by Supervisor Morency, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

AYES: 2584 votes
NOES: 0 votes
ABSENT: 259 votes (Boisen, Connell, Preston)

**RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF
LAWRENCE D. BLISS**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Moses, who moved its adoption.

Upon the passage of a motion to consider from the floor, and it appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, Lawrence D. Bliss passed away at his home in Willsboro, New York on July 27, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence D. Bliss was born in Keene Valley, New York on November 30, 1946, the son of Lawrence M. and Dorothy (DeZalia) Bliss; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence D. Bliss was a graduate of Willsboro Central School and, in 1964, enlisted in the U.S. Army stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina and in Germany; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence D. Bliss received an associate's degree from Clinton Community College, joined the New York State Police in 1968 and retired as an investigator in 1998. After retirement, he worked Court Security at the Essex County Courthouse and as a private investigator for both the Essex County Public Defender and the Essex County District Attorney; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence D. Bliss was a civil war buff, enjoyed planting flowers, mowing his lawn, hunting, watching and attending Duke basketball games, taking family trips and especially spending time and eating ice cream with granddaughter, Alex; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence D. Bliss is survived by his parents; former wife and life-long companion, Polly Bliss; three daughters, Laura Bliss, Sarah Bliss and Melanie Bliss-Hall; two grandchildren, Alexandra Bliss and Michael Carson III; a sister Sheila Borden and several nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Lawrence D. Bliss was a devoted and loving son, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend who will be sorely missed but never forgotten.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors, its Clerk of the Board, County Manager and County Attorney hereby express and extend their deepest and most sincere sympathy and condolences to the family of Lawrence D. Bliss; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Board of Supervisors, with a suitably embossed copy thereof to be forwarded to the Bliss family.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR BROKER SERVICES RELATIVE TO THE POTENTIAL SALE OF THE HORACE NYE NURSING HOME WITH MARCUS & MILLICHAP FOR \$4.5 MILLION WITH A COMMISSION OF 3.25% TO INCLUDE TERMS AND CONDITIONS AS APPROVED AND RECOMMENDED BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Morency, who moved its adoption.

Upon the passage of a motion to consider from the floor, and the same appearing proper and necessary.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors authorizes a contract for broker services relative to the potential sale of the Horace Nye Home with Marcus & Millichap for \$4.5 million, with a commission of 3.25% to include terms and conditions as approved and recommended by the County Attorney and further authorizes the Essex County Chairman and/or County Manager to execute listing contract.

This resolution was seconded by Supervisor Merrihew, and **tabled** upon a motion by Supervisor Canon, seconded by Supervisor Blades and a roll-call vote on the table as follows:

AYES: 1833 votes (Morrow, Kosmider, Merrihew, Blades, Montgomery-Corey, Canon, Politi, Moses, Malaney, Hatch)
NOES: 751 votes (Douglas, Ferebee, Scozzafava, Dobie, Morency)
ABSENT: 259 votes (Boisen, Connell, Preston)

**RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY OF
DENNIS AUBIN**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Merrihew, who moved its adoption.

Upon the passage of a motion to consider from the floor, and it appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, Dennis Aubin of Lewis, New York passed away peacefully among his family and friends at his home on July 31, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Aubin was born in Elizabethtown, New York on August 16, 1962, the son of Claud and Sonja (Cassavaugh) Aubin; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Aubin was the Elizabethtown Highway Superintendent for 20 years having served in that capacity with the highest degree of professionalism, competence and integrity; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as Town of Elizabethtown Highway Superintendent, he made valuable and lasting contributions to the people of Elizabethtown; and

WHEREAS, Dennis enjoyed NASCAR, hunting and fishing and spending time on his property while building his home with his friend, Todd Stevens; and

WHEREAS, Dennis is survived by his parents; two brothers and their wives, Wesley and Karen of Lewis, Leslie and Linnie of Huntington, Vermont; twin sister Denise of Westport; companion Pam Crowningshield McGrath and her two children; three nieces; one nephew; and special friends, Ron and Suzie Dubay and their family and Loren Henrichs; and

WHEREAS, Dennis Aubin was a loving son, brother, uncle and friend who will be sorely missed but never forgotten.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors, its Clerk of the Board, County Manager and County Attorney hereby express and extend their deepest and most sincere sympathy and condolences to the family of Dennis Aubin ; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution be spread upon the minutes of this Board of Supervisors, with a suitably embossed copy thereof to be forwarded to the Aubin family.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO THE LISTING OF THE
LOCAL POST OFFICES LOCATED AT NEW RUSSIA, NORTH
HUDSON, MORIAH CENTER, SCHROON LAKE AND KEENE
VALLEY ON THE POST OFFICE CLOSURE LIST**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Merrihew, who moved its adoption.

Upon the passage of a motion to consider from the floor, and it appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, the local post offices serving New Russia, North Hudson, Moriah Center, Schroon Lake and Keene Valley offer and provide to residents in these extremely rural areas vital post office and mail services which are vital to their good health, welfare and businesses; and

WHEREAS, the closure of these local post offices will severely effect the ability of individuals and businesses in these towns to conveniently send and receive mail and obtain other services offered by the post office; and

WHEREAS, if these post offices are allowed to close, the elderly, infirm and those who do not drive will be severely inconvenienced and all others will be required to drive long distances in order to send and receive mail and receive post office services.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors is strongly opposed to the listing of the local post offices located at New Russia, North Hudson, Moriah Center, Schroon Lake and Keene Valley on the post office closure list.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to John E. Potter, Postmaster General and Chief Executive Officer of the United State Postal Service and Louis J. Giuliano, Chairman of the Board of Governors, Senator Charles Schumer, Senator Kirsten Gillibrand, Congressman William Owens and Congressman Chris Gibson.

This resolution was unanimously seconded and adopted.

**RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TO THE COMMISSIONERS
OF THE ESSEX COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS THAT THEY
SECURE THEIR OWN POST OFFICE BOX AND ADDRESS TO
INSURE SECURITY AND A PROPER CHAIN OF CUSTODY
FOR ALL IMPORTANT BOARD OF ELECTIONS MAIL**

The following resolution was offered by Supervisor Montgomery-Corey, who moved its adoption.

Upon the passage of a motion to consider from the floor, and it appearing proper and necessary.

WHEREAS, the Board of Elections receives absentee ballots, applications for absentee ballots and other highly sensitive and important election documents through the mail; and

WHEREAS, the present system for collection and distribution of the mail within Essex County is not secure enough to protect the delivery and receipt of these highly sensitive documents to the Board of Elections; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that in order to preserve security of these documents and to preserve the chain of custody in the event that that chain is called into question or disputed, it is necessary that a separate post office box be secured by the Board of Elections for receipt of mail; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Essex County Board of Supervisors recommends to the Commissioners of the Essex County Board of Elections that they secure their own post office box and address to insure security and a proper chain of custody for important Board of Elections mail.

The resolution was seconded by Supervisor Morrow, and adopted upon a roll-call vote as follows:

AYES: 2103 votes
NOES: 481 votes (Ferebee, Blades, Canon, Morency, Hatch)
ABSENT: 259 votes (Boisen, Connell, Preston)