



AGENDA
WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE
Tuesday, January 21, 2020, Chambers – 5:30PM

CALL TO ORDER: By Hon. Christopher Petrus, Chair

MEMBERS: Legislators Keith Batman, Elane Daly, Andy Dennison (Vice Chair), Ryan Foley, Ben Vitale, and Tucker Whitman

MINUTES TO APPROVE: November 7, November 14, & December 10, 2019

APPOINTMENTS: None

DEPARTMENT UPDATES FOR COMMITTEE:

- **Kelly Anderson (Real Property) –**
 - Processed 2,317 property transfers for 2,661 different parcels (6.7% of the properties in the county).
 - Upgraded department website and launched mobile device friendly tax map online app.
 - Provided Assessment Services to 4 towns within the County (Moravia, Niles, Owasco & Springport) under joint services agreements.
 - Successfully completed a revaluation project in the Town of Niles (1,261 parcels)
 - Deployed the use of mobile data collection tablets for use in the field to update assessment photos and records.
 - Began Data Collection in the Towns of Springport and Moravia in preparation for revaluation projects in 2021-22.
 - Worked with the County Treasurer’s office to facilitate the sale of 74 tax foreclosed parcels resulting in the collection of nearly \$1.2 million for the County to offset unpaid tax liens.
 - Generated tax bills for Town/County, City/County, Village and School purposes resulting in the levy of \$154.7 million in property taxes throughout the County.

Annual Revenue Generating Processes			
	Muni Count	Parcels	Dollars
2019 Assessment Rolls			
Tentative & Final Rolls	23	30,575	
2019 Town County Taxes			
Town/County Tax Rolls & Bills	24	39,707	\$ 60,472,993.61
2019 Village Taxes			
Village Tax Rolls & Bills	9	4,101	\$ 2,362,485.89
2019 School Taxes			
School Tax Rolls & Bills	10	40,660	\$ 91,860,511.79
2019 Tax Foreclosure/Auction			
Repurchases		31	\$ 297,594.55
Sold at Auction		43	\$ 895,925.00
Total Municipal Revenue			\$155,889,510.84

- **Jim Orman (Treasurer) –**
 - A. This year the accounting team conducted approximately **34,900** transactions. They also processed about **32,800** checks. Our payroll team has processed about **22,200** checks. Also, our accounting team has added three new personnel to replace others and this has greatly improved our efficiency and efforts. This has been accomplished under the direction of Mary Beth Leeson.
 - B. The tax collection team conducted over **24,900** transactions. Also, we have sent out second notices for tax liens owed for the fifth year in a row. This has reduced taxes in arrears owed. This has been done under the direction of Jennie Indelicato.
 - C. During 2009 we initiated efforts to have the County’s bond rating reviewed. The rating at that time was **Baa with a negative outlook**. Our rating was successfully upgraded and continues to be an **A1**. This has allowed the County to borrow monies at a reduced rate since then. Through 2018 these collective efforts have resulted in a total savings of over **\$1,900,000**.

D. Nine years ago we instituted organizational changes within our office that would affect the tax levy in a positive manner. These changes were completed with the assistance of Ways & Means and the full legislature. We re-organized within our office and effectively down-sized our office while increasing efficiency. I am pleased to report the cumulative savings over this period of time is now over \$1,200,000.

• **Lisa Lippoldt (Human Resources/Civil Service) –**

YEAR-TO-DATE COMBINED TRANSACTIONS: **3,767**

- County departments: **1,189** total transactions
- Schools, Towns, Villages, BOCES & Special Districts:

1,159	Schools
328	Towns
159	Villages
790	BOCES
87	CCC
33	Seymour Library
13	Soil & Water
8	Water & Sewer
2,577	Total Transactions

- Specific personnel action that was taken (year to date):

Transaction Type	No.
Permanent Appointments	581
Provisional Appointments	31
Contingent-Permanent Appointments	21
End of Probationary Period	125
Layoffs Due to Abolishment of Positions	0
Layoffs Due to Lack of Funds or Work	1
Promotions	64
Reinstatements	16
Removals	635
Resignations	203
Retirements	52
Seasonal Appointments	200
Temporary Appointments	66

- Exams administered & Application fees collected:

Exams Administered		Application Fees Collected:	
December Only	7	December Only	\$1,295
Year-to-Date	57	Year-to-Date	\$11,825

RESOLUTIONS:

WAYS & MEANS:

- 1-20-WM-1 Authorizing the Settlement of the Matter of Gen-West Associates, LLC vs. the Assessor for the City of Auburn; the Board of Assessment Review for the City of Auburn; and the City of Auburn (Index No. E2019-0747) and the Execution of a stipulation of Settlement
- 1-20-WM-2 Authorizing Correction of Tax Errors in the Town of Sennett
- 1-20-WM-3 Authorizing Correction of Tax Errors in the Town of Springport
- 1-20-WM-4 Resolution to delete unenforceable tax liens on Tax Map Number 75.00-1-1.-26 in the Town of Mentz
- 1-20-WM-5 Authorize the closing of two (2) Capital "H" projects and transfer of the balances to the proper accounts.
- 1-20-WM-6 Authorization to fill the Deputy HR Administrator position in Human Resources/Civil Service due to open, budgeted position
- 1-20-WM-7 Fixing Day and Notice of Public Hearing on a Local Law granting Partial Property Tax Exemption to certain seniors and persons with disabilities, setting income limits for the same; and repealing Local Laws No. 5 of 1982; No. 3 of 1989; No. 2 of 1990; No. 4 of 1998; No. 3 of 2002; and No. 2 of 2007
- 1-20-WM-8 To adopt Local Law _____ for the year 2020 providing an increase in the salaries of the part-time Elections Commissioners
- 1-20-WM-9 Authorizing the Chairman to sign contracts with certain agencies.
- 1-20-WM-10 Approving claims of the Clerk of Legislature Office and authorizing the County Treasurer to pay

TABLED LAST MONTH:

- 12-19-WM-11 **(TABLED)** Amending the Cayuga County Compensation Plan for Non-Bargaining Employees
- 12-19-WM-12 **(TABLED)** Adopting Market Adjustment Plan for Non-Bargaining Employees
- 12-19-WM-13 **(TABLED)** Fixing Day and Notice of Public Hearing on Local Law No. _____ for the year 2020 – providing an increase in salaries of certain local officials

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES:

- 1-20-HH-1 To authorize the Chairman of the County Legislature and the Director of the Office for the Aging to accept additional funding from the NYS Office for the Aging under the Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program of the Older Americans Act and amend the Office for the Aging 2020 budget
- 1-20-HH-2 Authorizing the Chairman of the County Legislature and the Director of the Office for the Aging to sign contracts with various annual subcontractors for Aging services utilizing appropriations approved in the Cayuga County budget for the year 2020.
- 1-20-HH-3 Authorizing the Public Health Director to accept the award of \$8,710 from New York State in relation to Article 6 State Aid Year 6 Performance Incentive Program activities completed by the Health Department
- 1-20-HH-4 Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Public Health Director to enter into contracts with Cayuga Medical Associates for tuberculosis consultation and care
- 1-20-HH-5 Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Public Health Director to enter into a contract with East Hill Family Medical, Inc. & Finger Lakes Community Health for the provision of STD Services

- 1-20-HH-6 Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Director of Community Services to enter into a contract with Booker T. Washington Community Center Inc.
- 1-20-HH-7 Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Director of Community Services to enter into a contract with Catholic Charities for provision of Homeless Coordinator Services
- 1-20-HH-8 Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Director of Community Services to enter into a contract with Catholic Charities to provide SSI Maximization for Safety Net Assistance (SNA) and Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)
- 1-20-HH-9 Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Director of Community Services to enter into contracts for Day Care Services
- 1-20-HH-10 Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Director of Community Services to enter into a contract with State of New York to accept 100% funded STEHP (Solutions To End Homelessness Program) Grant
- 1-20-HH-11 Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Director of Community Services to enter into a contract with ABC Cayuga Inc. for services at Play Space
- 1-20-HH-12 Authorizing the Director of Community Services to fill 1 part-time Case Work Aide position in the Children & Family Services Unit
- 1-20-HH-13 **(PULLED)** Authorizing the Director of Community Services to fill a Human Services Examiner position (100% funded) in the Medicaid Unit of Social Services
- 1-20-HH-14 Authorizing the Director of Community Services to fill 2 Sr. Account Clerk positions in the Child Support Unit of the Department of Social Services due to the reclassification of 2 Account Clerk positions by the Cayuga County Civil Service Commission
- 1-20-HH-15 Authorizing the Director of Community Services to fill a Caseworker vacancy in Child Welfare Unit
- 1-20-HH-16 Authorize the filling of one vacant full-time Health Home Care Management position at the Mental Home Care Management position at the Mental Health Center due to a resignation
- 1-20-HH-17 **(Revised)** Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Public Health Director to enter into a contract with Homsite Fund Inc. and to create and fill a sanitarian position to perform services under the grant
- 1-20-HH-18 Authorizing the Public Health Director to create and fill a Public Health Engineer position in the Health Department
- 1-20-HH-19 Authorize the Chair of the Cayuga County Legislature and the Director of Community Services to fill a vacant Community Mental Health Professional at the Mental Health Center

GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS:

- 1-20-GO-1 Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Commissioners of the Cayuga County Board of Elections to sign NTS Maintenance and Support
- 1-20-GO-2 Authorizes Cayuga County Veterans Services to fill a Part-Time Driver

PLANNING:

- 1-20-PL-1 A Resolution to increase State Support for Cornell Cooperative Extension County Associations in the State of New York

PUBLIC WORKS:

- 1-20-PW-1 Amending the 2020 County Budget to allow the court "tenant" work to be completed in the Historic Post Office with the cost to be reimbursed by the State of New York
- 1-20-PW-2 Authorizing the Buildings and Grounds Department to hire a full time Assistant Park Maintenance Supervisor

1-20-PW-3 Authorizing the establishment of Capital "H" Project 20-01 ("Weedsport Sennett Box Culvert") and authorizing the acceptance of construction bid for the replacement of a box culvert on Weedsport Sennett Rd.

1-20-PW-4 Authorization to accept bid for County Route 43c over Owasco Inlet Bridge Replacement Project

JUDICIAL & PUBLIC SAFETY:

1-20-JP-1 Authorizing the Sheriff's Office to set a fee schedule for the acquisition, amendment and transfer of New York State Pistol Permits

1-20-JP-2 Authorize the Sheriff to fill one vacant SRO position in the Cayuga County Sheriff's Office

1-20-JP-3 Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature to accept a grant from the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee

1-20-JP-4 Authorize the Sheriff to fill one Deputy Sheriff in the Law Enforcement Division of the Cayuga County Sheriff's Office

1-20-JP-5 Authorizing the Probation Department to enter into a contract with Cayuga Counseling to provide all pretrial release services

1-20-JP-6 Authorization to create and fill full-time Support Staff (Confidential Secretary to DA) position in the District Attorney's Office together with setting the salary

1-20-JP-7 **(Amended)** Authorization to create a full-time Assistant District Attorney position in the District Attorney's Office and setting the salary

1-20-JP-8 **(Revised)** Authorize the Deputy Sheriff's Police Association (DSPA) to enter a Memorandum of Agreement to staff Patrol Officers at School Districts to serve as School Resource Officers

EXECUTIVE SESSION: re: Employment history of a particular person

ADJOURNMENT: Tuesday, February 18, 2020

IF YOU HAVE A DISABILITY AND NEED ACCOMMODATIONS, PLEASE CALL THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE'S OFFICE AT 253-1308 AT LEAST 48 HOURS BEFORE THE SCHEDULED MEETING TO ADVISE WHAT ACCOMMODATIONS WILL BE NECESSARY.

1-20-WM-1

RESOLUTION NO. _____

1/30/20

COA Gen-West Article 7 Settlement 2020

Authorizing the Settlement of the Matter of Gen-West Associates, LLC vs. the Assessor for the City of Auburn; the Board of Assessment Review for the City of Auburn; and the City of Auburn (Index No., E2019-0747) and the Execution of a Stipulation of Settlement

By: Chair Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, Petitioner Gen-West Associates, LLC, commenced tax certiorari proceedings under New York State Real Property Tax Law, Article 7, for the 2019 assessment year, challenging the assessment on property it owns in the City of Auburn within Cayuga County, located at 101 Columbus Street, Auburn, known as Tax Map No. 115.73-1-25.112, and

WHEREAS, the City, County and School District duly and timely appeared in this proceeding; and

WHEREAS, the parties have since engaged in settlement discussions and have fully agreed to resolve their differences without further litigation as proposed and outlined in Stipulation of Settlement, which the County's Special Counsel, the County Attorney and attorneys for the City and School District believe is preferable to the risk and expense of a trial in this instance; and

WHEREAS, the parties have agreed to discontinue the proceedings, reduce the assessment to a value of 4,737,500 beginning in 2020, without refunds due for 2019; and

Original Assessment	Reduced Assessment	Difference	Assessment/Tax Years
\$5,375,000	\$4,737,500	\$637,500	2020/2021, 2021/2022, 2022/2023

WHEREAS, Real Property Tax Law Section 727 shall apply to this settlement, as well as the exceptions contained therein; and

WHEREAS, the City and School Attorneys have advised that the proposed settlement is acceptable to the City Council and Board of Education, respectively, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature as follows:

Section 1. The Cayuga County Legislature authorizes its Special Counsel to settle these tax assessment review proceedings.

Section 2. The Cayuga County Treasurer and Director of Real Property Tax Services shall cause the necessary entries to be made to tax and assessment records required to implement the intent of the Consent Judgment and Order of Consolidation once fully executed.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Ways & Means Committee

Christopher Petrus, Chair

Elane Daly

Ryan Foley

Tucker Whitman

Keith Batman

Andy Dennison

Benjamin Vitale

Co. Atty: _____

1-20-WM-2

RESOLUTION NO. _____

1/30/20

RPS tax correction Sennett

AUTHORIZING CORRECTION OF TAX ERRORS IN THE TOWN OF SENNETT

By: Christopher Petrus, Chair, Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, petitions for corrections have been received by the Director of Real Property Tax, from the Town to correct clerical errors or an error in essential fact as specified below, as existed on the 2020 County/Town Tax Rolls, and;

WHEREAS, the petitions for correction were received too late to make the necessary adjustments before the extension of taxes, and;

WHEREAS, the Director of Real Property Tax Services has reviewed the petitions and found them to be correct; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Real Property Tax Services under Real Property Tax Law 553-554 and 556A be authorized to make the change set forth hereafter; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a corrected tax statement shall be prepared, or a refund of any overpayment of taxes be made, as is applicable; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County/Town Tax Rolls shall be corrected as follows:

Town of Sennett: Tax Map # 95.00-2-32.118, this parcel should have:
The unpaid school tax line removed from the bill as it was paid at the school on time but not recorded.

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Co. Atty: 

1-20-WM-3

RESOLUTION NO. _____

1/30/20

RPS tax correction Springport

AUTHORIZING CORRECTION OF TAX ERRORS IN THE TOWN OF SPRINGPORT

By: Christopher Petrus, Chair, Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, petitions for corrections have been received by the Director of Real Property Tax, from the Town to correct clerical errors or an error in essential fact as specified below, as existed on the 2020 County/Town Tax Rolls, and;

WHEREAS, the petitions for correction were received too late to make the necessary adjustments before the extension of taxes, and;

WHEREAS, the Director of Real Property Tax Services has reviewed the petitions and found them to be correct; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Real Property Tax Services under Real Property Tax Law 553-554 and 556A be authorized to make the change set forth hereafter; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a corrected tax statement shall be prepared, or a refund of any overpayment of taxes be made, as is applicable; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the County/Town Tax Rolls shall be corrected as follows:

Town of Springport: Tax Map # 141.13-2-1, this parcel should have: been tax exempt and amount of \$2,811.43 should be removed

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Co. Atty 

RESOLUTION TO DELETE UNENFORCEABLE TAX LIENS ON TAX MAP NUMBER 75.00-1-1.-26 IN THE TOWN OF MENTZ

By: Christopher Petrus, Chair, Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, the following lien is filed in the Cayuga County Clerk’s Office against property located in the Town of Mentz, identified as Tax Map # 75.00-1-1.-26 and assessed to Anthony Van Curen on the 2018 Tax Roll for said Town as follows; and

Tax Year	Base Tax	Interest	Total Amount
2018	\$161.58	\$22.62	\$184.20

WHEREAS, this parcel is a suffix and only pertains to the value of a building; and

WHEREAS, the structure that this parcel for which the taxes were assessed to and liens applicable to, is a small camper, which does not qualify the structure as real property per Real Property Tax Law Section 102, subsection 12.g making the liens unenforceable; and

WHEREAS, the parcel has been deleted from the assessment roll; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the lien for tax year 2018 filed in the Cayuga County Clerk’s Office under tax map number 75.00-1-1.-26 is deleted.

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Co. Atty:



1-20-WM-5

RESOLUTION NO. _____

1/30/20

TRE Close Capital Proj rev

Authorize the closing of two (2) Capital "H" projects and transfer of the balances to the proper accounts.

BY: Christopher Petrus, Chair, Ways and Means Committee

WHEREAS, there are presently two (2) Capital "H" Projects that have been designated as complete by this Committee; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Finance law directs that all unused funds connected to the Capital Projects to be returned to the source of funding, or be placed in a general capital account; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized to close the following Capital "H" Projects and transfer remaining balances as follows:

Project 18-03 Storm Sewers

Balance of \$360.91 – transfer as follows:

To the County's Building Capital Reserve\$360.91

Project 16-05 Parking Lot Resurfacing

Balance of \$-0-

And be it further

RESOLVED, that the Treasurer make the journal and accounting entries necessary to accomplish the foregoing.

Ways & Means Committee

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Co. Atty. 

1-20-WM-6

RESOLUTION NO. _____

1/30/2020

HR Fill Deputy HR Administrator Position rev

AUTHORIZATION TO FILL THE DEPUTY HR ADMINISTRATOR POSITION IN HUMAN RESOURCES/CIVIL SERVICE DUE TO OPEN, BUDGETED POSITION

BY: Hon. Christopher Petrus, Chair, Ways and Means Committee

WHEREAS, there is a current vacancy for a Full Time, Deputy Human Resources Administrator, (PC#006038, Grade 6) due to a resignation in 2019; and

WHEREAS, the position is necessary to assure the effective and efficient operation of the Human Resources and Civil Service department; and

WHEREAS, funding for position currently exists in the 2020 Human Resources and Civil Service budget; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Human Resources Administrator be authorized and directed to fill the Deputy Human Resources Administrator position at an annual salary of \$50,313 pursuant to Part IV of the Cayuga County Compensation Plan; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the appointment be made in accordance with the Civil Service Rules and Regulations, and the Policies of the County of Cayuga.

Ways & Means Committee

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Co. Atty: 

Authorization to Create/Fill

A copy of this completed form **MUST** be attached to ALL Civil Service MSD-426 forms when filling a position.

Date 12/19/2019

Authorization To: Fill Only

**** New Position Duties Statement (NPDS) - Short Form
REQUIRED IF the title exists within the department**

**** New Position Duties Statement (NPDS) - Long Form
REQUIRED IF the title does NOT exist within the department**

Do you anticipate this request to result in fill-behinds? No

Cayuga County Department Human Resources & Civil Service

Job Title Being Requested (Exact Civil Service Title) Deputy Human Resources Administrator

Position Control Number 006038-sys

Position Status Permanent

Position Designation Full-Time

Budget Account Number A14301-51001

Is a position being abolished to create the new position? No

Is the salary of requested position in the current comp plan? Yes

Comp Plan Requested IS IN Part IV

Part IV Grade 6

Minimum Salary (Part IV)	50313
Base/Current Salary (Part IV)	51935
Starting Salary for Position Requested	50313
Justification for Salary Requested	Based on budgeted comp plan for 2020 for this position
Does position include fringe benefits?	Yes
What is the justification for filling this position AND why is it important for your department?	In order to function effectively and in a timely manner to all liabilities, investigations, and outreach programs as well as new programs moving forward this position needs to be filled since current staff titles, other than HR Administrator cannot do the necessary functions of this position because they are beyond their job title duties and capabilities of the civil service realm into Human Resources.
How is this position funded?	Budget
Is this a reimbursed position?	No
What will the fiscal impact of filling this position in your budget this year and in future fiscal years?	It is already budgeted for this year and should continue to be in years to come. The cost is offset by the increased programs, training, and other upgrades to the department that can be made with no cost other than the additional staff member which should result in decrease liability for the County through timely investigations and HR staff available at all times.
Department Head	Lisa Lippoldt
Date	12/18/2019
Attestation	I am the department or agency head listed above authorized to submit by the appointing authority

(Section Break)

1-20-WM-7

RESOLUTION NO. _____ 1/30/2020 COA LL Income Limits Senior and Disabled Exemptions

FIXING DAY AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON A LOCAL LAW GRANTING PARTIAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION TO CERTAIN SENIORS AND DISABLED PERSONS, SETTING INCOME LIMITS FOR THE SAME; AND REPEALING LOCAL LAWS NO. 5 OF 1982; NO. 3 OF 1989; NO. 2 OF 1990; NO. 4 OF 1998; NO. 3 OF 2002; AND NO. 2 OF 2007

BY: Christopher Petrus, Chair, Ways & Means

WHEREAS, Local Law of 1966, adopted by the Cayuga County Legislature granted a partial real property tax exemption to certain senior citizens owning property in the county that qualified pursuant to Real Property Tax Law 467, which has been amended several times to adjust the maximum income eligibility (Local Laws No. 5 of 1982, No. 3 of 1989, No. 2 of 1990, No. 4 of 1998, No. 3 of 2002, and No. 2 of 2007) which shall now be repealed.

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 3 of 1998 was adopted by the County Legislature to grant a partial real property tax exemption to certain disabled property owners in the county that qualified pursuant to Real Property Tax Law 459-c, and

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 5 of 1998 was adopted by the County Legislature to allow certain unreimbursed medical and insurance expenses to be excluded from the maximum income limits set for both the Senior Citizen exemption (RPTL 467) and Disabled Persons exemption (RPTL 459-c), and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of this legislation to continue to provide a partial real property tax exemption to certain senior citizens and disabled persons in accordance with sections 467 and 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law respectively, and to continue allowing certain unreimbursed medical and insurance expenses to be excluded from the income limit calculation for these exemptions as provided for under RPTL 467(3), and

WHEREAS, it is also the intent of this legislation to increase the maximum income eligibility levels that would allow it to be distributed in a more fair and equitable manner; and

WHEREAS, there has been duly presented and introduced at a meeting of the Cayuga County Legislature held on January 30, 2020, a proposed local law entitled:

“A LOCAL LAW GRANTING PARTIAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION TO CERTAIN SENIORS AND DISABLED PERSONS, SETTING INCOME LIMITS FOR THE SAME; AND REPEALING LOCAL LAWS NO. 5 OF 1982; NO. 3 OF 1989; NO. 2 OF 1990; NO. 4 OF 1998; NO. 3 OF 2002; AND NO. 2 OF 2007”

Now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that a public hearing shall be held in connection with the proposed local law before the Cayuga County Legislature on Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. in the Sixth Floor Legislative Chambers, located at 160 Genesee St., Auburn, New York; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Cayuga County Legislature is directed to issue notice of the same as prescribed by, and in accordance with law.

Ways & Means Committee

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COUNTY OF CAYUGA

LOCAL LAW NO. ____ OF THE YEAR OF 2020

A LOCAL LAW GRANTING PARTIAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION TO CERTAIN SENIORS AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, SETTING INCOME LIMITS FOR THE SAME; AND REPEALING LOCAL LAWS NO. 5 OF 1982; NO. 3 OF 1989; NO. 2 OF 1990; NO. 4 OF 1998; NO. 3 OF 2002; AND NO. 2 OF 2007

Section 1. The intent of this local law is to continue to provide a real property tax exemption to certain senior citizens in accordance with Section 467 of Real Property Tax Law, and certain disabled persons in accordance with Section 459-c of Real Property Tax Law, and to increase the income limits to allow the exemptions to be distributed in a more fair and equitable manner. Local Law No. 5 of 1998 pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 467(1)(b) shall remain in effect allowing certain unreimbursed expenses to offset the income used to determine exemption eligibility.

Section 2. Effective January 1, 2021, Cayuga County shall grant a real property tax exemption to certain individuals sixty-five (65) years of age and over, in accordance with Section 467 (1)(b) of the Real Property Tax Law.

Section 3. Effective January 1, 2021, Cayuga County shall grant a real property tax exemption to certain persons with disabilities and limited incomes in accordance with Section 459-c of the Real Property Tax Law.

Section 4. Effective January 1, 2021, the maximum income eligibility level for the 467 and 459-c exemptions shall be as follows:

up to 29,000.00	= 50% of assessed value exempt
29,000.01 up to 29,999.99	= 45% of assessed value exempt
30,000.00 up to 30,999.99	= 40% of assessed value exempt
31,000.00 up to 31,999.99	= 35% of assessed value exempt
32,000.00 up to 32,899.99	= 30% of assessed value exempt
32,900.00 up to 33,799.99	= 25% of assessed value exempt
33,800.00 up to 34,699.99	= 20% of assessed value exempt
34,700.00 up to 35,599.99	= 15% of assessed value exempt
35,600.00 up to 36,499.99	= 10% of assessed value exempt
36,500.00 up to 37,399.99	= 5% of assessed value exempt

Section 5. All other provisions of Section 467 and 459-c of Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York shall be in effect for the purpose of County real property taxation in Cayuga County.

Section 6. Local Law No. 4 of 1968, Local Law No. 3 of 1998 and Local Law No. 5 of 1998 shall remain in effect except as amended here.

Section 7. Severability. If any provision of this Local Law shall be adjudged by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, then such adjudication, shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined in its operation to the particular provision directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered.

Section 8. In the event of a conflict or inconsistency between this Local Law and any previous Local Law or Resolution of the County Legislature, the terms of this local law shall govern.

Section 9. Repealing Local Law No. 5 of 1982; Local Law No. 3 of 1989; Local Law No. 2 of 1990; Local Law No. 4 of 1998; Local Law No. 3 of 2002; Local Law No. 2 of 2007, effective January 1, 2021.

Section 10. Effective Date. This Local Law shall take effect immediately.

1-20-WM-8

RESOLUTION NO. _____ 1/30/2020 COA LL Adopt Sal Inc BOE Commr

TO ADOPT LOCAL LAW ____ FOR THE YEAR 2020 PROVIDING AN INCREASE IN THE SALARIES OF THE PART-TIME ELECTIONS COMMISSIONERS

BY: Christopher Petrus, Chair, Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, there has been duly presented and introduced at a meeting of the Cayuga County Legislature held on December 12, 2019, a proposed local law entitled:

A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING AN INCREASE IN SALARIES OF PART-TIME ELECTIONS COMMISSIONERS

; and

WHEREAS, a resolution was duly adopted by the Cayuga County Legislature on December 12, 2019, directing that a public hearing be held by said Board on January 30, 2020, commencing at 6:00 p.m. at the 6th Floor Legislative Chambers, 160 Genesee Street, Auburn, New York 13021, to hear all interested parties on said proposed Local Law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to law and after proper notice having been given, the Cayuga County Legislature held a public hearing on said Local Law and finds that it is in the interest of the County to adopt said Local Law to adjust the salaries of the Elections Commissioners, effective January 1, 2020; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, Local Law No. ____ of 2020, entitled "A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING AN INCREASE IN SALARIES OF PART-TIME ELECTIONS COMMISSIONERS;" as so designated, be and the same is hereby enacted, waiving any and all defects and informalities in the adoption thereof, and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Local Law is subject to a permissive referendum and shall not become effective until 45 days after adoption and upon all legal requirements having been met; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to publish notice of the permissive referendum within ten (10) days of the adoption hereof, pursuant to County Law § 101(1).

Ways & Means Committee

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COUNTY OF CAYUGA

Local Law No. ____ for the Year 2020

**A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING AN INCREASE IN SALARIES
OF PART-TIME ELECTIONS COMMISSIONERS**

BE IT ENACTED by the County Legislature of Cayuga County, as follows:

SECTION 1. Legislative Findings:

1. The Cayuga County Legislature recognizes that due to multiple changes in elections laws and procedures the duties and responsibilities of elections commissioners has grown over the last several years.
2. Accordingly, the Cayuga County Legislature finds that it is in the interest of the County to adjust the salaries of the Elections Commissioners effective January 1, 2020.

SECTION 2. That effective January 1, 2020, the salaries of the Elections Commissioners (2) for the County of Cayuga shall be and are hereby established as follows:

Elections Commissioners (2)	\$ 25,000
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SECTION 4. That the within Local Law shall take effect 45 days after the adoption hereof and all legal requirements having been met.

1-20-WM-9

RESOLUTION NO. _____ 1/30/20

ADM Agency Contracts 2020

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACTS WITH CERTAIN AGENCIES.

By: Christopher Petrus, Ways & Means Committee.

WHEREAS, certain appropriations were approved in the County Budget adopted for 2020 for certain agencies, in return for which these agencies agree to perform certain services for the benefit of the County of Cayuga; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the County Legislature is hereby authorized and requested, subject to the approval of the County Attorney, to sign on behalf of the County, certain contracts and articles of agreement with the following agencies:

- ARISE CAYUGA/SENECA COUNTY - \$5,000.00 - A10144-54136
- CAYUGA COUNTY OFFICE OF TOURISM - \$609,254.00 – A64104-54000
- CAYUGA COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT - \$675,000.00. – A87304-54000
- CENTRAL NY REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD - \$35,000.00 – A80254-54000
- CENTRO - \$162,400.00 – A56304-54000
- NICK’S RIDE - \$25,000.00 – A10104-54130
- CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION ASSOCIATION - \$249,675.00 – A29804-54000
- CAYUGA COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITY SERVICE AGENCY - \$32,500.00. – A10104-54505
- LIBRARIES – A74104-54000

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| AURORA FREE LIBRARY - \$3,500.00 | POWERS LIBRARY - \$3,500.00 |
| FAIR HAVEN LIBRARY - \$3,500.00 | SEYMOUR LIBRARY - \$3,500.00 |
| HAZARD PUBLIC LIBRARY - \$3,500.00 | SPRINGPORT FREE LIBRARY - \$3,500.00 |
| STEWART B. LANG MEMORIAL LIBRARY - \$3,500.00 | WEEDSPORT LIBRARY - \$3,500.00 |
| PORT BYRON LIBRARY - \$3,500.00 | |

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1-20-WM-10

RESOLUTION NO. _____

1/30/20

AUD Audit January

Approving claims of the Clerk of the Legislature Office and authorizing the County Treasurer to pay

BY: Christopher Petrus, Chair, and Ways and Means Committee

WHEREAS, The Clerk of the Legislature has the following claims that must be approved by the Cayuga County Legislature

Legal Ads

Wayuga Newspapers - \$62.82

Citizen - \$79.49

Office Supplies

Staples - \$74.00

Dues

NYS Association of Clerks of County Legislative Boards - \$100.00

RESOLVED, that the Legislature has reviewed said claims and found the same to be lawful county charges; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to pay the above claims and charge the amounts to the Clerk of the Legislature budgeted accounts.

Ways & Means Committee

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1-20-HH-17

RESOLUTION NO. _____

1/30/20

HD Homsite Fund Inc. rev 3

Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Public Health Director to enter into a contract with Homsite Fund Inc. and to create and fill a sanitarian position to perform services under the grant.

BY: Elane Daly, Chair of the Health & Human Services Committee
Christopher Petrus, Chair of the Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, the Health Department has been awarded a grant through Homsite Fund Inc. for the period of January 1, 2020 to March 31, 2022 for the purpose of facilitating work plan goals identified in the newly funded Community Based Lead Poisoning Prevention Program window and door replacement initiative; and

WHEREAS, the Health Department desires to partner with Homsite Fund Inc. for the purpose of this subcontract; and

WHEREAS, as a condition of receiving the grant funding, the Public Health Department must provide a public health sanitarian to perform certain services under the subcontract;

WHEREAS, the grant may also fund some related education and equipment costs for Lead Poisoning Prevention work; and

WHEREAS, the subcontract is for an amount not to exceed \$180,000 for the performance of services under the subcontract, including without limitation, the hiring of a new full-time public health sanitarian position to carry out the goals of the grant; and

WHEREAS; the Public Health Sanitarian work under this grant will align with many of the New York State Department of Health requirements for Lead Poisoning Prevention and this additional position will assist the Cayuga County Health Department in achieving these mandates; and

WHEREAS, no local match is required under the terms of the grant;

WHEREAS, the Public Health Director would like to create and fill a Public Health Sanitarian position to fulfill the goals of the grant and the responsibilities of the subcontract; and

WHEREAS, the continuation of this Public Health Sanitarian position is dependent entirely upon grant funding being available and unless the grant is supplemented or extended, the public health sanitarian position will expire upon expiration of the grant; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature and the Public Health Director are hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Homsite Fund Inc. for the period of January 1, 2020 to March 31, 2022, upon such form as approved by the County Attorney and for the purpose of carrying out the goals of this Community Based Lead Poisoning Prevention Grant; be it further

RESOLVED, that the Health Department budget be amended to reflect this funding received; be it further

RESOLVED, that the Treasurer's office amend the Health Department Budget by creating a grant account for the purpose of tracking revenues and expenditures from this grant, and reimbursing the County for the salary of the Public Health Sanitarian; and

RESOLVED, that the Public Health Director be authorized and directed to create and fill the position of Public Health Sanitarian at a starting annual salary of \$52,815 in the Health Department in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations and the policies of the County of Cayuga with the proviso that the position will expire upon expiration of the grant referenced above.

Health & Human Services Committee

Elane Daly, Chair

Michael Didio

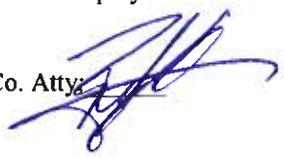
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1-20-JP-7

RESOLUTION NO. _____

1/30/20

DA Create New FT ADA Position

AUTHORIZATION TO CREATE A FULL-TIME ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY POSITION IN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE SETTING THE SALARY (2/3)

BY: Andy Dennison, Chair, Judicial & Public Safety Committee
Chris Petrus, Chair, Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, New York State's Criminal Justice "Reform" Acts (Bail, Discovery, and Speedy Trial) took effect January 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the new statutes created significant additional burdens substantially increasing the workload and shortening the time frame for required actions by the District Attorney's Office; and

WHEREAS, the prosecution is now required to complete their discovery obligations within fifteen calendar days of the defendant's arraignment, and obligation is to provide absolutely everything (akin to what was required prior to trial, months after any arrests); and the sanction will be dismissal if not done; and

WHEREAS, the District Attorney has demonstrated a need for additional legal assistance in handling the increased workload in accordance with the new statutes to avoid dismissals and other unacceptable ramifications and the State has failed to fund this new mandate; and

WHEREAS, the Cayuga County Legislature is desirous of providing the District Attorney with adequate resources to prosecute crime in Cayuga County and protect its Citizens; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that a full-time Assistant District Attorney position is hereby created in the District Attorney's Office at Grade 9 at a minimum salary of \$63,968 and shall be placed in Part IV of the Compensation Plan; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the amount of \$65,000 transferred from the Contingency Account (A10164-54000) to the Full-Time Salary, District Attorney budget line (A11651-51001) and associated fringe benefit lines as determined by the Cayuga County Treasurer; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the foregoing be accomplished in accordance with Cayuga County Civil Service Rules and Regulations and the policies of the County of Cayuga; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to make such necessary journal entries to accomplish the foregoing.

Judicial & Public Safety

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Authorization to Create/Fill

A copy of this completed form MUST be attached to ALL Civil Service MSD-426 forms when filling a position.

Date	1/1/2020
Authorization To:	Create and Fill **
<i>** New Position Duties Statement (NPDS) - Short Form REQUIRED IF the title exists within the department</i>	
<i>** New Position Duties Statement (NPDS) - Long Form REQUIRED IF the title does NOT exist within the department</i>	
Do you anticipate this request to result in fill-behinds?	No
Cayuga County Department	District Attorney
Job Title Being Requested (Exact Civil Service Title)	Assistant District Attorney
Position Status	Permanent
Position Designation	Full-Time
Budget Account Number	A1165
Is a position being abolished to create the new position?	No
Is the salary of requested position in the current comp plan?	Yes
Comp Plan Requested IS IN	Part IV
Part IV Grade	9
Minimum Salary (Part IV)	63,968
Base/Current Salary (Part IV)	63,968 (Note: 1% increase per year for each year of relevant experience)
Starting Salary for Position Requested	63,968 (Note: 1% increase per year for each year of relevant experience)
Justification for Salary Requested	The justification for salary requested is to seek and hire experienced prosecutorial attorneys.
Does position include fringe benefits?	Yes

What is the justification for filling this position AND why is it important for your department?

The recently enacted New York State Criminal Justice "Reforms" (to Bail, Discovery, and Speedy Trial) will take effect on January 1, 2020. The new statutes will create new burdens significantly increasing the workloads and shortening the timelines impacting the functions of the District Attorney's Office. The prosecution shall be required to perform complete their discovery obligations as soon as practicable, but not later than fifteen calendar days after the defendant's arraignment, and the new obligation is to provide absolutely everything (akin to what was required prior to trial, months after any arrests). The District Attorney has demonstrated a need for additional legal assistance in handling the increased workload in accordance with the new statutes to avoid dismissals and other unacceptable ramifications and the State has failed to fund this new mandate.

How is this position funded?

Budget

Is this a reimbursed position?

No

What will the fiscal impact of filling this position in your budget this year and in future fiscal years?

The new position will increase our budget beginning in January 2020. However, we have recently established a Revenue Account for our online Ticket Reduction Program fees. The expected Revenue is approximately \$7,000 per month (\$84,000 annually).

Department Head

Jon E. Budelmann

Date

1/1/2020

Attestation

I have been directed to submit on behalf of the authorized department or agency head

Name of Person Submitting on Behalf of Department or Agency Head

Jeannette McCormick

Title of Person Submitting on Behalf of Department or Agency Head

Executive Assistant to DA

CHL:apcldi Approved (Section 87(2)(b))

1-20-JP-8

RESOLUTION NO. _____

1/30/2020

SHR DSPA SRO AGREEMENT

Authorizing the Chair of the Cayuga County Legislature to sign a Memorandum of Agreement with the Deputy Sheriff's Police Association to staff Special Patrol Officers at School Districts to serve as School Resource Officers

By: Mr. Andrew Dennison, Chair, Judicial & Public Safety Committee
Mr. Christopher Petrus, Chair, Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, the New York State General Municipal Law, section 209-V, authorizes the employment of retired former members of Police or Sheriff's Departments, State Police, and retired former Corrections, Parole, and Probation Officers by a Police or Law Enforcement agency of a political subdivision for the purpose of protecting property and persons on publicly owned property as Special Patrol Officers; and

WHEREAS, the County of Cayuga and the Cayuga County Sheriff would like to create the position of Special Patrol Officer within the Cayuga County Sheriff's Office to provide security services to area school districts within Cayuga County that would like to contract with the County for said services; and

WHEREAS, members negotiating on behalf of the County of Cayuga and the Deputy Sheriff's Police Association, the bargaining unit representing the Road Patrol Division within the Cayuga County Sheriff's Office, did reach a tentative Memorandum of Agreement on January 6th, 2020 that would authorize the creation of said position; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County of Cayuga approves the tentative Memorandum of Agreement between the County of Cayuga and the Deputy Sheriff's Police Association and further authorizes the Chair of the Cayuga County Legislature to sign the same.

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