



**SPECIAL LEGISLATURE MEETING MINUTES  
CAYUGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

**Tuesday, June 6, 2023 at 5:30PM**

**Live Link:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tsHYAkHsGQc>

**CALL TO ORDER:** Hon. David Gould, Chair

**ROLL CALL:** Sheila Smith, Clerk of the Legislature

**EXCUSED:** Andy Dennison and Brian Muldrow, Tricia Kerr was remote

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**MOMENT OF PRAYER:**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Motion by Patti Ruffini to amend 2nd to last Resolved and take out Clerk of the Legislature and put in County Auditor, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Petrus, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 258-23 6/6/23 LEG AUD Fill County Auditor rev**

**Authorizing the appointment of the Cayuga County Auditor and Setting of the salary**

By: Hon. Hans Pecher, Chair Ways and Means Committee

WHEREAS, the Cayuga County Legislature adopted Local Law No 2 of 2019, amending Local Law 2 of 2009 – Establishing the Office of County Auditor for Cayuga County; and,

WHEREAS, the County Auditor position is critical to County operations and is responsible for auditing claims against the county and preparing and submitting warrants to the County Treasurer for payment; and,

WHEREAS, the Office of County Auditor become vacant on June 2, 2023, due to a resignation; and,

WHEREAS, this position has been budgeted for 2023; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Legislature hereby appoints Francis Mitchell as County Auditor (06895-SYS), for the remainder of the incumbent's term through December 31, 2023; and be it further

RESOLVED, the compensation for the position of *County Auditor* is \$32.00 per hour; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Resolution as amended by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Daly, all in favor

**RESOLUTION NO. 259-23 6/6/23 LEG COA-Auth Home Rule Req Supp Leg A7026/S6572 rev 2**

**AUTHORIZING HOME RULE REQUEST IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION A-7026/S 6572 AN ACT TO AMEND THE TAX LAW IN RELATION TO EXTENDING THE EXPIRATION OF THE AUTHORITY GRANTED TO THE COUNTY OF CAYUGA TO IMPOSE AN ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT OF SALES AND COMPENSATING USE TAXES AND ADOPTING AND CONFIRMING RESOLUTION NO 257-23.**

BY: Cayuga County Legislature

WHEREAS, Assembly Bill A7026 and Senate Bill S6572 have been introduced into the New York State Assembly and Senate, respectively, to amend the tax law in relation to extending the expiration of the authority granted to the County of Cayuga to impose and additional one percent of sales and compensating use taxes; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Article IX of the Constitution of the State of New York, it is necessary for this Legislature to enact a Home Rule Request for passage of this legislation; and

WHEREAS, by emergency action pursuant to Rules of Order-Cayuga County Legislature II-Meetings of the Legislature, Rule No. 11, and Local Law No. 2 of 2011, Resolution No 257-23, AUTHORIZING HOME RULE REQUEST IN SUPPORT OF LEGISLATION A-7026/S 6572 AN ACT TO AMEND THE TAX LAW IN RELATION TO EXTENDING THE EXPIRATION OF THE AUTHORITY GRANTED TO THE COUNTY OF CAYUGA TO IMPOSE AN ADDITIONAL ONE PERCENT OF SALES AND COMPENSATING USE TAXES, was adopted; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature desires to adopt and reconfirm the action of the authorization of Resolution No 257-23; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Legislature hereby validates, adopts, and confirms that actions set forth in Resolution No 257-23; and be it further.

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Legislature does hereby approve the adoption and passage of said Assembly Bill A7026 and Senate Bill S6572 entitled: "AN ACT to amend the tax law, in relation to extending the authorization of the county of Cayuga to impose an additional one percent of sales and compensating use taxes"

**Motion by Pecher, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Basile, all in favor**

**Motion by Basile to go into executive session at 5:41PM, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patti Ruffini, re: Contract negotiations, opposed Gould, Pecher, Strong, passed**

**Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Petrus to come back in at 5:45PM, all in favor**

**RESOLUTION NO. 260-23                      6/6/23                      LEG CSEA AGMT 2023-2025**  
**APPROVING THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION, INC. AND THE COUNTY OF CAYUGA FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2025 BY: Hon. Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways & Means Committee**

WHEREAS, Cayuga County and the Civil Service Employees Association (CSEA) are parties to a collective bargaining agreement governing the terms and conditions of employment for certain employees of the County; and WHEREAS, CSEA submitted terms for a successor agreement to its membership for consideration and the membership of CSEA approved and ratified the terms for a successor agreement on May 30, 2023, copy of Memorandum of Agreement dated May 10, 2023 is attached; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the mutual agreements reached between the County of Cayuga and the Cayuga County Unit of Cayuga Local 806, Civil Service Employees' Association, Inc., Local 1000, AFSCME, AFL-CIO; and

NOW THEREFORE in consideration of the mutual agreements reached between the County of Cayuga and the Cayuga County Unit of Cayuga Local 806, Civil Service Employees' Association, Inc., Local 1000, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, the Legislature of Cayuga County hereby

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Cayuga County Legislature and the Director of Human Resources are authorized and directed to take any and all appropriate actions to approve and implement said agreement for the period January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2025, by providing the necessary funding, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Director of Finance be and she is hereby authorized and directed to implement any necessary changes to implement the intent of this Resolution and Collective Bargaining Agreement; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**Motion by Basile, 2<sup>nd</sup> by McNabb-Coleman, all in favor**

**RESOLUTION NO. 261-23      6/6/23                      HD Amend Res 174-23**  
**Amending certified resolution 174-23 to reflect the correct salary range for Grade 5 Part IV of the Non-Bargaining Compensation Plan**

BY: Elane Daly, Chairman of the Health & Human Service Committee  
Hans Pecher, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, there exists a need to create and fill a Director of Health Education and Public Information position within the Health Department; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Director wishes to fill a Director of Health Education and Public Information position as per Part 4 of the compensation plan to accommodate public health education reporting, program and outreach requirements and manage increasing public information responsibilities, and this position is critical for maintaining the smooth and effective functioning of the Health Department, and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Director wishes to vacate a Supervising Public Health Administrator position upon creation of the director of Health Education and Public Information position within the Health Department; and

WHEREAS, the Human Resources Department has reviewed the position and the job duties and has determined that the position should be placed at Grade 5 of the Cayuga County Compensation Plan, Part IV, Non-bargaining with a starting hiring range of \$67,386 to \$77,700; and

WHEREAS, the newly created position is offset through grant funding and funded through the state aid reimbursement formula for local health departments; and

WHEREAS, there is funding in the Health Department 2023 budget; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED the Cayuga County Legislature is authorized to create the Director of Health Education and Public Information position in the Health Department; be it further;

RESOLVED, that the Public Health Director be authorized and directed to fill the Director of Health Education and Public Information position in the Health Department at Non Bargaining Grade 5 pursuant to Part IV of the Cayuga County Compensation Plan; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Part IV of the Cayuga County Compensation Plan be amended to include the Director of Health Education and Public Information position as part of the Health Department at a Grade 5; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Public Health Director be authorized and directed to vacate the Supervising Public Health Administrator position within the Health Department upon filling the Director of Health Education and Public Information; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Director of Health Education and Public Information position be filled in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations and the policies of the County of Cayuga along with any fill behinds that may occur; and be it further

RESOLVED, this authorization is valid through December 31, 2023 in accordance with policy resolution 307-20.

**Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nightengale, all in favor**

**Motion by Pecher, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Strong to go into Executive Session re: the employment history of a particular person/persons at 6:03PM**

**Motion by Basile to come out of Executive Session at 7:15Pm 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patti Ruffini, all in favor**

**Motion by Basile to adjourn at 6:15PM, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patti Ruffini, all in favor**

**ADJOURNMENT:** Tuesday, June 27, 2023 at 5:30PM