



**MINUTES**  
**CAYUGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE**  
**Tuesday, July 25, 2023, 5:30PM**  
**Live Link:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pbp-a8aI7aU>

**CALL TO ORDER:** Hon. David Gould, Chair called the meeting to order at 5:30PM

**ROLL CALL:** Sheila Smith, Clerk of the Legislature, all legislators present except excused Daly and Petrus

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**MOMENT OF PRAYER:**

**DEATHS:** Our sincere condolences to the families and friends of:

- William C. Darmody, beloved father of Diann Ferris, Human Resources/Civil Service Director

**PUBLIC HEARING: Opened at 5:32PM** – Call 315-294-8051, if you wish to speak on the public hearing.

- To adopt a Local Law No. \_\_\_ to opt out of the exemption from taxation for certain renewable energy systems under Real Property Tax Law Section 487 for the County of Cayuga

**PROCLAMATIONS:** Attached

- Eileen O'Connor Day in Cayuga County- July 25th, 2023
- Diane Adsit Day in Cayuga County – July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- United Way Day of Caring in Cayuga County

**PRESENTATION:** None

**PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

**MINUTES TO APPROVE:** June 6 & June 27, 2023, Motion by Strong, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dennison, all in favor.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:** None

**CCC REPORT:** Dr. Durant

**DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

- Shereen Androsko, Operations Officer – Attached

**COMMITTEE REPORTS & INDIVIDUAL LEGISLATORS' REPORTS:**

**CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** David Gould

**CAYUGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE  
RESOLUTIONS 7-25-23**

**RESOLUTION NO. 307-23      7/25/23    LEG AUD Appoint 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 will become vacant on August 1, 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 Angela Skellington as County Auditor (06895-SYS), effective August 1, 2023, for the remainder of the January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 term; and be it further

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

RESOLVED, that the appointment be made in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulation.

Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 308-23      7-25-23                    HD Create-Fill PT Public Health Nurse at WICrev  
Authorizing the Cayuga County Legislature and the Public Health Director to create and fill a part-time Public Health Nurse position within the WIC Program.**

BY:     Elane Daly, Chairman of the Health & Human Service Committee

        Hans Pecher, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS the federally funded Women, Infant and Children's Program (WIC) identifies the positions and qualifications for the WIC program, which Cayuga County must be compliant with; and

WHEREAS the WIC department has had on-going vacant positions for nutrition work which can be performed by a public health nurse according to WIC regulations; and

WHEREAS, a part time, WIC Public Health Nurse will be able to support essential WIC Program nutrition education with participants on an as needed basis to support the program; and

WHEREAS the PT Public Health Nurse position is 100% reimbursed under the WIC grant; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Legislature is authorized to create the position of part-time Public Health Nurse, and that the position be placed in Part II of the Compensation plan at a pay rate of \$30.17-\$30.32 per hour; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Public Health Director be authorized and directed to fill the fully funded part-time Public Health Nurse at the WIC Program, and be it further

Resolved, that the position be filled, along with any fill behinds that may occur, in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations and the policies of the County of Cayuga; and be it further

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

Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 309-23**

**7/25/23**

**HD Fill WIC Nutritionist.rev2**

**Authorizing the Cayuga County Legislature and the Public Health Director to fill a WIC Nutritionist position.**

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

WHEREAS the federally funded Women, Infant and Children’s Program (WIC) identifies the positions and qualifications for the WIC program, which Cayuga County must be compliant with; and  
WHEREAS the WIC department has a vacant Nutritionist position, grade 17 in the CSEA Bargaining Unit (position control #007605) due to a resignation; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Director wishes to fill the vacant WIC-Nutritionist, which is a position that meets the WIC program requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Nutritionist position is 100% reimbursed under the WIC grant; and

WHEREAS, the Nutritionist position can be difficult to find qualified candidates in the current job market and therefore the Public Health Director plans on recruiting for the Nutritionist position and if that is not successful then to recruit for the position of Competent Professional Authority, with the intent that ultimately only one position will be filled; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Public Health Director be authorized and directed to fill the fully funded WIC- Nutritionist position at a grade 17 in the CSEA Bargaining Unit, and be it further

RESOLVED, that if after 4 weeks of advertising there are no qualified candidates for the Nutritionist position the Cayuga County Legislature is authorized to create the position of WIC- Competent Professional Authority (CPA) and that position be placed in the CSEA Bargaining Unit, at a grade of 17; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Public Health Director be authorized and directed to fill the fully funded WIC- Competent Professional Authority (CPA) grade 17 in the CSEA Bargaining Unit; and be it further

Resolved, that the position be filled as either a Nutritionist or a Competent Professional Authority, along with any fill behinds that may occur, in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations and the policies of the County of Cayuga; and be it further

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

Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 310-23**

**7-25-23**

**HD Outside Counsel Assistance rev1**

**Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature, the Public Health Director and the County Attorney’s Office to enter into a contract with Bond Schenck and King Law Firm for assistance on legal work.**

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

WHEREAS, the Health Department has an ongoing need for legal assistance with carrying out Board of Health orders, and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney’s office is not always available to assist in a timely manner with these orders; and

WHEREAS, Bond, Schenck and King Law Firm is able to assist the County in these legal matters for an hourly rate of \$295.00 for a partner working and \$185.00 for an associate working to provide legal assistance up to a total amount not to exceed \$10,000; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature, the Public Health Director and the County Attorney’s Office be authorized to enter into a contract with Bond Schenck and King Law Firm for assistance with agreed upon outstanding Board of Health orders and upon such form as may be approved by the County Attorney; and be it also

RESOLVED, that the Public Health Director be authorized to pay for these services from the following Health Department budget lines:

Professional Services.....A40104 54059

Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 311-23**

**7/25/23**

**HS Accept Non-Residential DV Funding**

**Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Commissioner of Social Services to Accept \$25,000 Funding from NYS OTDA and Enter Into a Contract with CAP**

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

WHEREAS, NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA) has advised Cayuga County Dept. of Social Services that their TANF SFY 2022-2023 Non-Residential Domestic Violence allocation is \$25,000; and

WHEREAS, this funding will be utilized to provide emergency services for TANF eligible victims of domestic violence and their families; and

WHEREAS, we have successfully contracted in the past with Community Action Programs Cayuga/Seneca (CAP) to implement this program; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature and the Commissioner of Social Services be authorized to accept \$25,000 in additional funding from NYS OTDA and enter into a contract with Community Action Programs Cayuga/Seneca (CAP) to provide Emergency DV Services from October 1, 2022, through September 30, 2023; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Finance Director be authorized and directed to make the necessary journal and accounting entries to the Social Services 2023 Budget as follows:

Increase Revenue Account A60100 44610 .....\$25,000

Increase Expenditure Account A60104 54059 .....\$25,000

and any other entries appropriate and necessary to implement this resolution.

Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 312-23**      **7/25/23**

**HS Child Welfare Placement Services 2023**

**Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Commissioner of Social Services to Contract with Multiple Service Agencies (Listed) for the Provision of Child Welfare Placement Services**

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

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services is required to provide appropriate “child placement services” for children placed in foster care and at times this includes placement in a residential treatment center (RTC); and

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services has successfully contracted with the listed agencies to provide these services in the past; and

WHEREAS, the RTC per diem rate schedule is established and set by NYS Department of Social Services; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature and the Commissioner of Social Services be authorized to enter into contracts for the time of July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2028 with the following agencies and any new providers that may come forward:

Cayuga Centers	Hillside Children’s Center
Children’s Home of Wyoming Conference	House of the Good Shepard
Elmcrest Children’s Center	Toomey Residential & Comm. Service
William George Agency	Lincoln Hall
Glove House	Catholic Charities of Chemung-Schuyler County
Catholic Charities of Onondaga County	Catholic Charities of Albany County

Family Focus  
and be it further

RESOLVED, that payment for these services at the current state approved rates be charged to account #A61234 54000, account #A61094 54000, and account #A61194 54000 of the Social Services Budget

Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 313-23**      **7/25/23**      **HS Contract CAP Rapid Re-housing Case Mgmt**

**Authorizing the Chairman of the Legislature and the Commissioner of Social Services to Contract with Community Action Programs Cayuga/Seneca (CAP) for Rapid Re-housing Case Management Services**

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

WHEREAS, the Department has available 100% funds to assist TANF families in moving to self-sufficiency; and

WHEREAS, the focus of this contract is our TANF caseload experiencing housing emergencies; and

WHEREAS, it is our hope, with this case management contract to determine service needs to enhance employability, overcome barriers to self-sufficiency and promote family stability including rapid housing; and

WHEREAS, since we will be focusing our efforts on TANF families, we can use our flexible fund allocation to cover the cost of this contract; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature and the Commissioner of Social Services be authorized to contract with the Community Action Programs Cayuga/Seneca (CAP) for the period 8/1/23 – 7/31/24 for the provision of Rapid Re-Housing Case Management Services for our TANF families at an annual cost of \$80,527.00; and be it further

RESOLVED, that expenses will be paid from account #A60604 54000 of the Department of Social Services’ Budget. This contract is 100% federally funded through Flexible Funds for Family Services (FFFS)

Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 314-23      7/25/23      HS Create-Fill Director of Fiscal Management (DSS)  
Authorizing the Legislature to create and the Commissioner of Social Services to fill a Director of Fiscal Management (DSS) position and abolish a Director of Administrative Services position in the Department of Social Services.**

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

WHEREAS, there is a need for a Director of Fiscal Management position in the Department of Social Services; and  
WHEREAS, this position is responsible for the financial planning and accounting practices of the Department of Social Services including budgeting, claiming and the direct supervision of the DSS accounting unit staff; and  
WHEREAS, a New Position Duties Statement submitted to the Cayuga County Civil Service Commission was reviewed, and the Commission determined that the job responsibilities are in line with the job duties of Director of Fiscal Management in the competitive class, and classified it as such; and  
WHEREAS, funding for the newly created Director of Fiscal Management exists in the 2023 Department of Social Services budget line 60101 51001 with the abolishment of the Director of Administrative Services (PC#3902), position within the Department; NOW  
THEREFORE BE IT  
RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Legislature creates a Director of Fiscal Management (Grade XX of the Cayuga County Part IV Compensation Plan) position in the Accounting Unit of the Department of Social Services with the jurisdictional class allocation being Competitive; and be it further  
RESOLVED, that the Director of Administrative Services (PC#3902) be abolished with the filling of the Director of Fiscal Management position; and be it further  
RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Social Services fills the Director of Fiscal Management position, and any fill behinds in accordance with the Civil Service Rules and Regulations and the Policies of the County of Cayuga.  
Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 315-23      7/25/23      HS Fill 4 Clerk-Seasonal Positions-HEAP Unit  
Authorizing the Commissioner of Social Services to fill 4 Clerk (Seasonal) Positions in the HEAP Unit of the Department of Social Services.**

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

WHEREAS, the HEAP Program is a mandated program that provides support for the heating needs of clients meeting certain guidelines; and  
WHEREAS, there is a high volume of applications for assistance in the HEAP Unit and a need to review applications and issue payments in a timely manner; and  
WHEREAS, in the past, the Department of Social Services has hired 4 (Seasonal) HEAP Clerks (PC# 7766, 7767, 7768, 7769) for the winter/heating season to cover this need; and  
WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services is provided an annual HEAP allocation to cover the cost of the seasonal staff, which is federally reimbursed at 100 %; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT  
RESOLVED, that the Authorization to Fill is valid through December 31, 2023, per resolution No. 307-20; and be it further  
RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Social Services be authorized and directed to fill the 4 Clerk (Seasonal) Positions in the HEAP Unit of the Cayuga County Department of Social Services in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations and the policies of the County of Cayuga.  
Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 316-23      7/25/23      HS Fill Sr. Caseworker Adult Protective Services  
Authorizing the Commissioner of Social Services to Fill a Sr. Caseworker Vacancy in the Adult Protective Services Unit**

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

WHEREAS, there is a Sr. Caseworker vacancy in the Adult Protective Services Unit of Social Services (position # 2152) due to a retirement; and  
WHEREAS, the Department is required to be the safety net and provide adult protective services to those individuals unable to protect themselves; and  
WHEREAS, this position is responsible for supervising other caseworkers, as well as managing a caseload of open adult protective cases, which are mandated services; and  
WHEREAS, this position is critical to having adequate staff in the unit to manage the open adult protective cases and handle incoming referrals; and  
WHEREAS, sufficient funding exists in the Social Services Department's 2023 budget to support this position, and the position is reimbursed at 62% Federal and State; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT  
RESOLVED, that the Authorization to Fill is valid through December 31, 2023, per resolution No. 307-20; and be it further  
RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Social Services be authorized and directed to fill the vacated Sr. Caseworker position in the Adult Protective Services Unit, and any fill behind that may occur, in accordance with Civil Services Rules and Regulations and the policies of the County of Cayuga.  
Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 317-23**

**7/25/23**

**MH 2023 BUDADJ STATE AID**

**Amending the Mental Health 2023 Budget to adjust State Aid funding for Contract Agencies**

By: Elane Daly, Chair, Health and Human Services Committee, and  
Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways and Means Committee.

WHEREAS, the Cayuga County Mental Health Center receives 100 percent Federal and State Aid funding for programs to serve adults, children, and families with disability who reside in Cayuga County; and

WHEREAS, additional 2023 State Aid has been allocated to several contract agencies requiring adjustment to the County Budget for 2023; and

WHEREAS, these 100% State funds were not anticipated in the 2023 budget and it is now necessary to reflect those dollars to allow the County to make payments to those agencies; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the 2023 budget be modified as follows:

Increase	A43430 43495	State Aid - MH- Cayuga Counseling	Revenue by	\$2,202.00
Increase	A43434 54000	Contractual Expenses	Expense by	\$2,202.00
Increase	A43460 43497	State Aid - MH- Unity House	Revenue by	\$12,333.00
Increase	A43464 54000	Contractual Expenses	Expense by	\$12,333.00
Increase	A43410 43509	State Aid-MH-Nick's Ride	Revenue by	\$1,875.00
Increase	A43414 54000	Contractual Expenses	Expense by	\$1,875.00
Increase	A43450 43514	State Aid-MH-Liberty Resources	Revenue by	\$23,995.00
Increase	A43454 54000	Contractual Expenses	Expense by	\$23,995.00
Increase	A43470 43503	State Aid-MH-Cayuga Centers	Revenue by	\$7,348.00
Increase	A43474 54000	Contractual Expenses	Expense by	\$7,348.00
Increase	A43480 43504	State Aid-MH-Contact	Revenue by	\$1,060.00
Increase	A43484 54000	Contractual Expenses	Expense by	\$1,060.00
Increase	A43500 43492	State Aid-CHAD OASAS	Revenue by	\$13,324.00
Increase	A43504 54315	Contractual Expenses	Expense by	\$13,324.00
Increase	A43500 43501	State Aid - Unity House OASAS	Revenue by	\$11,059.00
Increase	A43504 54316	Contractual Expenses	Expense by	\$11,059.00

And be it further

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Finance Director be authorized to make the journal entries appropriate and necessary to implement this resolution.

Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 318-23      7/25/23      MH Accept OMH Funds DBT Cert**  
**Authorizing the Chair of the Cayuga County Legislature and the Director of Community Services to accept grant funding from OMH for dialectical behavioral therapy certification**

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

WHEREAS, the Cayuga County Community Mental Health Center was awarded grant funding from OMH in the amount of \$170,000 to be used for Sustaining Evidence-Based Practice for Children and Youth; and

WHEREAS, the CCCMHC has been committed to providing Dialectical Behavioral therapy to youth and families since 2016. Over the past 6 years, CCCMHC has provided intensive DBT training to 17 full-time staff social workers through Behavioral Tech, A Linehan Training Company; and

WHEREAS, the OMH funding will cover the cost of certification through DBT-LBC for the 17 intensively trained social workers who are currently providing DBT treatment to youth and families in Cayuga County; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the 2023 Mental Health budget in order to accept this funding; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance be authorized and directed to amend the 2023 Mental Health budget in the following manner and make the necessary journal and accounting entries to accept these funds:

Increase Revenue Account A43100 43508 State Aid-MH Grants by \$170,000

Increase Expense Account A43104 54015 Grant Expenditures by \$170,000

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Legislature and the Director of Community Services be authorized to enter into any contracts necessary to carry out the goals of described funding upon such forms as may be approved by the County Attorney.

Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 319-23      7/25/23      OFA Adjust Budget 23**  
**Authorization to adjust OFA budget due to unexpected changes in department needs**

BY: Elane Daly, Chair, Health & Human Services Committee, and  
Hans Pecher, Ways and Means Committee

WHEREAS, the Office for the Aging has had unexpected changes in expenses this year; and

WHEREAS, due to Federal Older Americans Act and NYS Office for the Aging funding there are available funds in certain budget lines that can be moved to cover these unforeseen expenses; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Office for the Aging be authorized to make changes in the following budget lines: additional funding from NYSOFA and the 2021 budget be modified as follows:

Decrease A67722-52100	Trackable Equipment	\$36,000
Increase A67724-54074	Department Expense	\$36,000
Decrease A67721-51001	Salaries FT	\$27,900
Decrease A67721 5801	Soc Sec	\$ 2,100
Increase A67724 54059	Professional Expense	\$30,000

And be it further

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Finance Department be authorized to make the journal entries appropriate and necessary to implement this resolution.

Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 320-23      7/25/23      OFA Fill Aging Services Asst**  
**Authorization to fill one (1) full-time Aging Services Assistant Position in the Office for the Aging due to a vacancy.**

BY: Elane Daly, Chair, Health & Human Services Committee, and  
Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways and Means Committee.

WHEREAS, there is one (1) vacant Aging Services Assistant funded position (PC#8944) in the Office for the Aging; and

WHEREAS, this skilled position is critical as the Office for the Aging is increasingly required to provide more complex data collection, information processing, intake, outreach, publicity, program monitoring, needs assessments, registries and many other tasks requiring significant technology knowledge and professional skill for a growing senior population, and;

WHEREAS, this position is budgeted annually with Older American Act and NYS Office for the Aging funding and exists in line A67721-51001 of the 2023 OFA budget; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of the Office for the Aging be authorized to fill one (1) full time position for an Aging Services Assistant; and be it further

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

Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 321-23 7/24/23**

**YB Execute Agreements**

**Authorize the Chair of the Cayuga County Legislature and Director of the Youth Bureau to Execute Agreements with Various Agencies to Provide Youth Development Services.**

By: Elane Daly, Chair, Health and Human Services Committee

Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways and Means Committee

WHEREAS, the County of Cayuga is eligible for Youth Development Delinquency funds from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services, and

WHEREAS, the Cayuga County Youth Bureau had approved the proposed services and budget for 2023 for the following agencies in the amounts stated contingent upon approval of funding from OOCFS; and

WHEREAS, the Youth Bureau has been notified that OCFS has authorized the funding and said monies have been received in the Cayuga County 2023 budget; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the County Legislature and Director of the Youth Bureau be and the same are hereby authorized to execute agreements with the agencies set forth below for the term January 1, 2023 through September 30, 2023 and upon such forms as may be approved by the County Attorney.

Meridian, Ira, Cato (MIC) Summer Program: \$7,735

Perform 4 Purpose: \$4,262

Auburn Music Boosters: \$12,000

REV Theatre: \$6,000

Booker T. Washington Center: Summer Camp Program: \$14,000

Cayuga County Youth Bureau: \$10,000

Booker T. Washington Center: Sports and Education: \$7,000

Auburn YMCA Sports and Education: \$7,513

Salvation Army Sports and Education: \$5,000

**RESOLUTION NO. 322-23 7/25/23**

**HS Authorize DSS to contract for Legal Services**

**Authorize the Commissioner of Cayuga County Social Services to enter into contracts for the provision of legal services**

By: Hon. Elane Daly, Chair of the Health and Human Services Committee

Hon. Hans Pecher, Chair of the Ways and Means Committee

WHEREAS, pursuant to § 397 of the Social Services Law, the Cayuga County Department of Social Services (the "Department") is responsible for investigating complaints of child abuse and neglect, safeguard the child's welfare and stabilize the family wherever possible and bring such cases as deemed necessary before the family court for adjudication and to institute proceedings in a court of competent jurisdiction against a parent or adult for neglect or abuse of a child and is also responsible for voluntary placements, foster care review, and extensions of placements (collectively, "family court matters"); and

WHEREAS, under Section 454 of the Federal Social Security Act, Section 111 (h), 352, and 352 (a) of the Social Services Law of the State of New York, and the rules and regulations promulgated by the NY State Department of Social Services; the Department is responsible through its Child Support Enforcement Unit for the establishment of paternity, locating of absent parents, and the enforcement and collection of support from legally responsible relatives for persons applying for or receiving Aid to Dependent Children (hereinafter collectively referred to as "child support matters"); and

WHEREAS, the Department has heretofore hired attorneys who were employees of the Department who were responsible for appearing in family court and support court on behalf of the Department and represented the Department in the above referenced proceedings; and

WHEREAS, the Department recently has experienced the departure of all of its employed attorneys through resignations and it is necessary and essential for the Department to obtain legal representation in connection with such matters; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Family Court Act § 535, the Legislature is authorized to designate counsel for the Social Services Commissioner, and by authorizing the Commissioner to fill her vacant positions, and to enter into such contracts deemed necessary, the provisions of § 535 are hereby satisfied;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** as follows:

Section 1. That the Cayuga County Legislature hereby authorizes the Commissioner of Social Services to enter into such agreements with legal firms, individual attorneys, or the County Attorney's Office to ensure competent representation in the following areas: (i) Child Protective matters (ii) Child Support matters; (iii) Medicaid matters; (iv) TANF, SNAP, or other Public Assistance matters; (v) Guardianship and Adult Protective Services; (vi) Social Services specific contracts, including, but not limited to Foster Care agreements, Residential, Transitional, and Domestic Violence Housing.

Section 2. That the Chair of the Cayuga County Legislature, along with the Commissioner of Social Services be and the same are hereby authorized to make, execute, seal and deliver such documents, agreements and instruments as may be necessary to fulfill the intent of this resolution.

Section 3. That the Department of Finance is hereby authorized and directed to make such journal entries as may be necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution, including the transfer of funds from account A61004 54000 Medicaid to account A60104 54059 Professional Services to pay for services provided through contractual agreements.

Section 4. That the within Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Basile, all in favor.



**RESOLUTION NO. 323-23            7-25-23            BOE increase in Cybersecurity Grant**  
**Accepting and budgeting increase in NYS Cybersecurity grant for BOE**

BY: Mr. Christopher Petrus, Chair, Government Operations Committee

Mr. Hans-Peter Pecher, Chair, Ways and Means Committee

WHEREAS the NYS BOE has notified the Cayuga County BOE of an increase in the NYS Cybersecurity Grant (BOE01-C004236-1110000) of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000); and

WHEREAS, no additional contract or acceptance is needed to receive the funds; and

WHEREAS, the expenditure of the additional funds will be at the direction and within the IT software budget expenditure line; Now therefore be it:

RESOLVED that budget lines be adjusted to receive and expend these funds:

Increase BOE revenue line A14500-43052 Cybersecurity Grant    \$ 30,000

Increase IT expenditure line Software A16104-5401                \$ 30,000

RESOLVED, that the Director of Finance make the necessary accounting entries.

Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by McNabb-Coleman, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 324-23            7/25/23            CCC Budget 2023-2024 rev 2**  
**Approving 2023-2024 Budget for Cayuga Community College**

BY: Hon. Christopher Petrus, Chairperson, Government Operations Committee

Hon. Hans Pecher, Chairperson, Ways and Means Committee

WHEREAS, Cayuga Community College has presented its Budget for the 2023-2024 academic year (September 1, 2023 - August 31, 2024) to the Cayuga Community College Board of Trustees and the Budget for the 2023-2024 academic year was approved by the Cayuga Community College Board of Trustees on June 22, 2023; and,

WHEREAS Cayuga Community College presented its Budget for the 2023-2024 academic year at the Government Operations Committee meeting held on July 12, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, the Government Operations Committee recommends approval and adoption of the Cayuga Community College 2023-2024 Budget for the 2023-2024 academic year, which Budget totals \$26,250,000.00; and,

WHEREAS, Cayuga County's share, as sponsor of the College, in said Budget is the amount

of \$3,169,175.00; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the said 2023-2024 Budget of Cayuga Community College is hereby approved in accord with a 2023-2024 and the Cayuga County contribution of \$3,169,175.00 is approved.

Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by McNabb-Coleman, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 325-23            7/25/23            CCC faculty association agreement 2023-27 rev**  
**Approving the collective bargaining agreement between the Cayuga Community College Faculty Association and the Cayuga Community College for the period September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027**

By: Hon. Christopher Petrus, Chair Government Operations Committee

Hon. Hans Petcher, Chair Ways and Means Committee

WHEREAS, the Cayuga Community College and the Cayuga Community College Faculty Association are parties to a Collective Bargaining Agreement governing terms and conditions of employment for certain employees of the Community College; and,

WHEREAS, Cayuga Community College Faculty Association submitted terms for a successor agreement to its membership for consideration; and,

WHEREAS, the membership of Cayuga Community College Faculty Association approved and ratified the terms for a successor agreement on June 15, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, Cayuga Community College submitted terms for a successor agreement to its Board of Trustees for consideration; and

WHEREAS, the Cayuga Community College Board of Trustees approved and ratified the terms for a successor agreement on June 22, 2023; and,

WHEREAS, both the Cayuga Community College Faculty Association and the Cayuga Community College Board of Trustees recommend that the Cayuga County Legislature approve the terms for a successor agreement, a copy of the Tentative Agreement between the parties is attached; now be it

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Legislature hereby approves the terms and conditions of the Tentative Agreement by and between Cayuga Community College Faculty Association and the Cayuga Community College Board of Trustees; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Legislature is hereby authorized and directed to take any and all appropriate actions to approve and implement said agreement for the period September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2027; be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by McNabb-Coleman, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 326-23            7-25-23 PB S-F TRAIL AWARD**

**Awarding the contract for grant funded engineering & design services for the Sterling-Fair Haven Community Connection Trail Feasibility Study**

Hon. Robert Shea, Chair, Planning and Economic Development Committee

Hon. Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, Cayuga County submitted a grant application to New York State Department of State Local Waterfront Revitalization Program to hire a consultant to conduct a feasibility study for completion of the pedestrian/bicycle trail along West Bay Road, known locally as the Sterling-Fair Haven Community Connection Trail (the Project); and

WHEREAS, Cayuga County Resolutions 240-22 and 419-22 authorized the submittal of the grant application, acceptance of the award should it be funded, authorization of the Chair to sign all documents related to the grant program, and establish revenue and expense accounts for the Project; and

WHEREAS, Cayuga County was awarded the requested funding from New York State for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Planning & Economic Development released a Request for Proposals for the consultant work to conduct the feasibility study for the Sterling-Fair Haven Community Connection Trail on April 28, 2023; and

WHEREAS, six proposals were received on May 31, 2023 and evaluated by three members of the County Department of Planning & Economic Development staff, concluding that the proposal from Colliers Engineering & Design, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Surveying, CT P.C. not to exceed \$125,000 was the most responsive to the County's needs, and is within the grant-funded Project budget; and

WHEREAS, the Cayuga County wishes to support the Project by authorizing the award of the consultant contract;

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

1. That the Chair of the Legislature is hereby authorized and directed to award the consultant contract for the Sterling-Fair Haven Community Connection Trail Feasibility Study to Colliers Engineering & Design, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Surveying, CT P.C.; and
2. That the Chair of the Cayuga County Legislature be authorized and directed to sign any documents appropriate and necessary to implement this resolution, upon approval as to form by the County Attorney's Office; and
3. That the Cayuga County Finance Director is hereby authorized and directed to make the journal and accounting entries necessary to accomplish the foregoing; and be it further,
4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion by Basile, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 327-23            7-25-23            PB Planner Vacancy Fill July 2023**

**Authorization to fill a Planner Position on or after July 25, 2023 due to resignation of the incumbent planner**

BY: Hon. Robert Shea, Chair, Planning & Economic Development Committee

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

WHEREAS, a Planner in the Planning Department (position control #002359, Grade 23), with a FY23 Step 2 base wage of \$62,374.00 has submitted their resignation effective July 14, 2023; and

WHEREAS, this Planner position is currently engaged in a range of ongoing projects, including municipal land use plans and community development planning with Cayuga County Towns and Villages; and

WHEREAS, all department staff responsible for planning functions are fully engaged in and committed to current and future projects, programs and responsibilities and cannot be reassigned to cover the scope of work and ongoing responsibilities of the Planner position being vacated in the long term; and

WHEREAS, the funds for the Planner position are in the Planning Department adopted FY23 budget; and

WHEREAS, providing the authorization to fill the Planner position on or after July 25, 2023 will allow the department to engage in the civil service and administrative process required to fill the position, including canvassing eligible lists, interviewing candidates, and final hiring, such that an entry-level planner can be trained and oriented to departmental programs and projects without losing the time needed to assess, prepare and deliver on open and pending projects; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Planning be hereby authorized and directed to fill the position of Planner (position control #07377, Grade 23), on or after July 25, 2023, with a probationary salary of \$59,661.00, followed by a Step 1 starting salary of \$60,011.00; and be it further

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

Motion by Basile, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 328-23**                      **7/25/23**                      **HWY Parts Budget Amend v2**

**Authorization to amend DM parts budget.**

BY: Andy Dennison, Chairman of the Public Works Committee  
Hans Pecher, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, \$7,000.00 was budgeted in revenue account DM51300 42666—Highway DM Sale of Scrap which currently has a balance of \$17,793.00; and

WHEREAS, unexpected repairs are needed to highway equipment that is not in the current replacement schedule; now therefore be it RESOLVED, that the following budget amendment be made to spend the unanticipated revenue to support the additional increase in repair costs:

Increase DM 51304 54021    Expense: \$10,000.00  
Increase DM 51300 42666    Revenue: \$10,000.00

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Finance Director is authorized and directed to make the necessary journal and accounting entries required to implement the intent of this resolution.

Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Basile, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 329-23**                      **7/25/23**                      **HWY Create-Fill Highway Supervisor rev**  
**Authorization to create & fill Highway Supervisor position in the County Highway Department**

BY: Andy Dennison, Chairman of the Public Works Committee  
Hans Pecher, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, the Highway Department has a Working Foreman Position filled (Position Control No. 2397) at a Grade 17 Salary Probation \$26.29 per hour and Step 4 \$29.27 per hour; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for a higher level position in the Highway Department due to a retirement; and

WHEREAS, this position is responsible for inspecting roads and documenting on the computer any road and and/or pavement quality issues, unusual problems connected with construction or maintenance project and oversight of employees; and

WHEREAS, the services provided by the Highway department will be best provided by a Highway Supervisor into the future; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Highway Superintendent be authorized to create and fill a Highway Supervisor at a Grade 3 of the Cayuga County Compensation Plan, Part IV, Non-bargaining Management along with any backfills; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the vacated position (Working Foreperson, Control No. 2397) in the Highway Department will be unfunded and abolished; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Highway Supervisor position be filled, in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations and the policies of the County of Cayuga; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Finance Department hereby be authorized and directed to make the relevant transfers to make the journal and accounting entries required to implement the intent of this resolution; 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 Basile, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 330-23**                      **7/25/23**                      **HWY Driveway Permit Fee**  
**Authorizing the Highway Department to set a fee schedule for new driveway installation.**

BY: Andy Dennison, Chairman of the Public Works Committee  
Hans Pecher, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Highway Department to install new driveways to ensure proper drainage and placement; and

WHEREAS, Resolution #131-21 authorized a fee schedule to ease the burden on the taxpayer and eliminate inefficiencies,

WHEREAS, pipe and stone prices have increased therefore we propose the following schedule:

Pipe size	Per foot installed
12"	\$ 14.50
15"	\$ 16.25
18"	\$ 20.50
24"	\$ 27.50
30"	\$ 38.25
36"	\$ 47.00

Now therefore be it;

RESOLVED the Cayuga County Legislature hereby set the following fees for new driveway installations and authorize the Cayuga County Highway Department to collect the fees.

Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Basile, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 331-23      7/25/23      HWY Fill Medium 8000**  
**Authorization to fill Motor Equipment Operator Medium position in the County Highway Department**

BY:     Andy Dennison, Chairman of the Public Works Committee  
         Hans Pecher, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, there is a need to fill a Motor Equipment Operator Medium position in the Highway Department; and  
WHEREAS, this position is responsible for various tasks in the construction, repair and maintenance of roads, in addition to other tasks as assigned; and  
WHEREAS, the Motor Equipment Operator Medium; position control number 8000 has been budgeted for the entire 2023 budget year; now therefore be it  
RESOLVED, that the Highway Superintendent is hereby authorized to fill the Motor Equipment Operator Medium position; position control number 8000 along with any backfills, in accordance with the Civil Service Rules and Regulations and the Policies of the County of Cayuga.  
Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Basile, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 332-23      7/25/23      HWY Fill Medium 8045**  
**Authorization to fill Motor Equipment Operator Medium position in the County Highway Department**

BY:     Andy Dennison, Chairman of the Public Works Committee  
         Hans Pecher, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, there is a need to fill a Motor Equipment Operator Medium position in the Highway Department; and  
WHEREAS, this position is responsible for various tasks in the construction, repair and maintenance of roads, in addition to other tasks as assigned; and  
WHEREAS, the Motor Equipment Operator Medium; position control number 8045 has been budgeted for the entire 2023 budget year; now therefore be it  
RESOLVED, that the Highway Superintendent is hereby authorized to fill the Motor Equipment Operator Medium position; position control number 8045 along with any backfills, in accordance with the Civil Service Rules and Regulations and the Policies of the County of Cayuga.  
Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Basile, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 333-23      7/25/23      PT Accept Programming Grant**  
**Resolution to accept a grant from the Fred L. Emerson Foundation in support of public programming at Emerson Park for 2023**

BY:     Hon Andrew Dennison, Chair, Public Works Committee  
         Hon Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways & Means Committee.

WHEREAS, the Cayuga County Parks & Trails Department has applied for and received a grant from the Fred L. Emerson Foundation for \$40,000 to support public programming at Emerson Park for 2023, and  
WHEREAS, Cayuga County, the Parks & Trails Department and the Cayuga County Parks Commission would like to thank the Fred L. Emerson Foundation for the continued support of the efforts to enhance programing at Emerson Park, therefore be it  
RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Finance Director is directed to amend the following budget accounts to expend the grant award on public programming:

		<u>Increase</u>
Emerson Park Revenue Account	A71104-42705	\$40,000
Emerson Park Professional Services	A71104 54059	\$40,000

;and be it further  
RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Finance Director is authorized to make any further journal and accounting entries necessary to implement the intent of this resolution.  
Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Basile, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 334-23      7/25/23      PT Auth Agreement Civic Rec rev**  
**Authorization to enter into an addendum to the current contract with Civic Rec to provide facility reservation services for the Parks & Trails Department**

BY:     Hon Andrew Dennison, Chair, Public Works Committee  
         Hon Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways & Means Committee.

WHEREAS, the Cayuga County Parks & Trails Department provides facilities to the public for private rentals, and  
WHEREAS, the existing reservation system is no longer compatible with our IT infrastructure due to obsolescence, and  
WHEREAS, Civic Rec provides a system that integrates with the current Cayuga County website infrastructure, and  
WHEREAS, the costs of the design, implementation, and maintenance is \$8,588.00 for Year 1 (software implementation and annual fee) and then a \$6,300.00 annual recurring cost, which can be covered by the current professional services budget, and  
WHEREAS, the improved system will allow for a more secure and user friendly interface for the public to utilize Parks Department facilities; therefore be it  
RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Parks and Trails Department is authorized to implement the transition to Civic Rec, and be it further,  
RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Legislature is authorized to execute an addendum or document necessary to implement the intent of this resolution, upon approval of the Cayuga County Attorney's office approval.  
Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Basile, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 335-23**

7/25/23

**PT Auth Fisher DOT Design****Authorization to enter into contract with Fisher Associates for design services for the Parks & Trails Department as required by the NYS DOT**

BY: Hon Andrew Dennison, Chair, Public Works Committee

Hon Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways &amp; Means Committee

WHEREAS, the Cayuga County Parks & Trails Department is establishing a new access point at Emerson Park on Whitebridge Rd in the Town of Fleming for access to rented boat slips and emergency services vessels, and

WHEREAS, the New York State Department of Transportation requires engineering documentation for access the NYS Highway 437, and

WHEREAS, Fisher Associates has provided Cayuga County with a quote for \$4,860 in additional services beyond the scope of their current contract for design of the area of the park accessed by the proposed roadway, and

WHEREAS, the costs of the required engineering documents can be covered by the current professional services budget; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Parks and Trails Department is authorized to accept the proposal from Fisher Associates in accordance with the Cayuga County Purchasing Policy, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Legislature is authorized to execute any agreements necessary to implement the intent of this resolution upon approval of the Cayuga County Attorney's office.

Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Basile, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 336-23**

7/25/23

**PT Auth FOES Amendment****Authorizing an amendment to the Friends of Emerson Park Agreement with Cayuga County to solicit sponsorships.**

BY: Hon Andrew Dennison, Chair, Public Works Committee

Hon Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways &amp; Means Committee.

WHEREAS, the Cayuga County has entered into an agreement with The Friends of Emerson Park, a 501-c3 entity dedicated to supporting programming and further development of Emerson Park, and

WHEREAS, the Friends of Emerson Park would like to assist with the solicitation of sponsorship for further improvements to Emerson Park under the direction of and in coordination with the Parks & Trails Department staff and the Cayuga County Parks Commission, and

WHEREAS, the current agreement does not specifically include sponsorship solicitation;

therefore be it,

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Parks & Trails Department in coordination with the Friends of Emerson Park under the advisement of the Cayuga County Attorney's office will draft the necessary amendment to the existing agreement to allow the Friends of Emerson to solicit sponsorships in support of further development of programming and facilities at Emerson Park; and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Legislature is authorized to execute any agreements necessary to implement the intent of this resolution upon approval of the Cayuga County Attorney's office.

Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Basile, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 337-23**

7/25/23

**BLD Upgrade HPO Fire Alarm System for Elevator****Authorizing the Cayuga County Buildings and Grounds Department to Upgrade the Fire Alarm System in the Historic Post Office (HPO) and Authorize the Chair of the Legislature to enter into a contract for said upgrade.**

By: Andrew Dennison, Chair, Public Works

Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways and Means

WHEREAS, last year the County Legislature approved Resolutions 96-22 and 190-22 to authorize depositing ARPA funds in the amount of \$225,000 into Historic Post Office Budget Line A16234-54012 to upgrade the elevator in the Historic Post Office; and

WHEREAS, the latest elevator building code requires increased sensors in the proximity of the elevator so the system can communicate with the elevator preventing the door from opening on a floor that is filled with smoke; and

WHEREAS, the latest elevator building code also requires a "fire hat" light in the elevator that comes on when the system senses fire or smoke in the elevator control room or in the elevator shaft; and

WHEREAS, the current fire alarm system in the building is outdated and cannot be upgraded to allow the system to meet the current code requirements; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds did not anticipate replacing the entire system at a state bid cost of \$33,121.88 (from Syracuse Time and Alarm Co. Inc.) when proposing a budget for the project; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds currently only has \$9,500.00 remaining from the initial \$225,000.00 that can be used for the necessary upgrade to the fire alarm system resulting in a shortage of \$23,621.88; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 368-22 only authorizes transfers up to \$15,000 without a resolution; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Legislature hereby authorizes the following transfers within the Building and Grounds Budget to allow the upgrade to the fire alarm system to take place:

1. Transfer \$15,000.00 From COB A16204-54012 to HPO A16234-54012

2. Transfer \$8,621.88 From COB A16204-54059 to HPO A16234-54012 and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Budget Director and the Finance Department are hereby authorized and directed to approve the budget transfers; and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Legislature is hereby authorized and directed to enter into any agreement necessary with Syracuse Time and Alarm Co. Inc., to implement to the intent of this resolution; and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Buildings and Grounds is hereby authorized and directed to process a purchase order to allow this project to proceed.

Motion by Calarco, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Basile, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 338-23**

7/25/23

DA GIVE Grant 2023 rev 1

**Authorizing the District Attorney's Office to accept funding through the 2023-2024 Gun Involved Violence Elimination Initiative (GIVE) Grant from the Division of Criminal Justice Services and amend the 2023 District Attorney's Office Budget to accept the funding**

BY: Hon. Mark D. Strong, Chairman, Judicial & Public Safety; and  
Hon. Hans-Peter Pecher, Chairman, Ways and Means

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) approved the 2023-2024 Gun Involved Violence Elimination Initiative Funding Plan submitted by the Cayuga County District Attorney's office for salary expenses related to the implementation of the Gun Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) grant; and

WHEREAS, the District Attorney's Office has been awarded grant funding in the amount of \$110,854 from the NY State Department of Criminal Justice Services for the 2023-2024 Gun Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) Initiative; and

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature and the District Attorney be authorized to sign the necessary documentation to accept the GIVE funding; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2023 Cayuga County District Attorney's Budget be amended to increase revenue A11650 43390 by \$110,854; and be it further

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

Motion by Basile, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patti Ruffini, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 339-23**

7/25/23

EMO Fill 2 PT Dpty Fire and 1 Fire/EMS Positions

**Authorizing the Emergency Services Director to fill Two (2) Part-time Deputy Fire Coordinators and One (1) Deputy Fire/EMS Coordinator**

BY: Mark Strong, Chairman of the Judicial and Public Safety Committee  
Hans Pecher, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, the Deputy Fire and Fire/EMS Coordinators are responsible for managing resources, conducting meetings, leading trainings, and responding to critical emergency calls throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, there are 3 current vacancies within the County creating shortages where existing Staff must cover more than one Battalion; and

WHEREAS, this is a Non-Competitive, part-time, stipend based position; and

WHEREAS, it is anticipated that the filling of the vacant Part-time Deputy Fire Coordinator- Fire/EMS positions will occur by advertising the position externally through fire departments in Cayuga County by Human Resources; and

WHEREAS, these positions are critical to the efficiency of the Office of Emergency Services; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Emergency Services currently has budgeted vacancies within the Office of Emergency Services Salary Account (A36401-51001) for the 2023 budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Director of the Office of Emergency Services is authorized to fill the three (3) vacant positions of Part-time Deputy Fire - Fire/EMS Coordinator, in accordance with the provisions of Civil Service Law, and the policies of County of Cayuga.

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

Motion by Basile, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patti Ruffini, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 340-23**

7/25/23

SHR Fill Deputy Sheriff Patrol Position

**Authorizing the Sheriff to fill one vacant Deputy Sheriff Position in the Patrol Division of the Cayuga County Sheriff's Office**

By: Mark Strong, Chair, Judicial & Public Safety Committee  
Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, a vacancy in the Cayuga County Sheriff's Office Patrol Division occurred as a result of Resolution number 391-22 which authorized to fill one Deputy Sheriff Sergeant position and if applicable, any resulting backfills, and

WHEREAS, said resolution expired in March of 2023 with one Deputy Sheriff position still vacant, and

WHEREAS, this position is clearly designated and accepted in the 2023 Cayuga County Sheriff's Sheriff Budget Line- Salaries Full Time (A31101-51001); now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Sheriff be hereby authorized and directed to fill one Deputy Sheriff position (Position Control No. 001872-SYS); and be it further

RESOLVED, the employees hired will be placed at the appropriate step within the Cayuga County Deputy Sheriff's Police Association Compensation Plan for 2023-2026; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this position be filled in accordance with the Civil Service Rules and Regulations and the Policies of the County of Cayuga, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Authorization to Fill for these positions be valid through December 25, 2023

Motion by Basile, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patti Ruffini, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 341-23            7/25/2023            SHR GIVE Grant accept funding**  
**Authorizing the Sheriff's Office to accept funding through the GIVE Grant from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services and amend the 2023 Sheriff's Grants and overtime budget to accept the funding.**

By:     Hon. Mark Strong,, Chair, Judicial & Public Safety Committee  
       Hon. Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office has been awarded grant funding in the amount of \$36,524.00 from the NY State Department of Criminal Justice Services for the 2023-2024 Gun Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) Initiative; and  
WHEREAS, all equipment for operations through the Grant will require no match of funding by the County and will be 100% funded by the NY Ste Division of Criminal Justice Services; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature and the Sheriff be authorized to sign the necessary documentation to accept the GIVE funding; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2023 Cayuga County Sheriff's Grant Budget be amended to increase revenue A31100 43390 by \$36,524.00 and increase overtime A31101 51003 by \$36,524.00; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Finance Department is authorized to make the journal and accounting entries required to implement the intent of this resolution.

Motion by Basile, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patti Ruffini, all in favor.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 342-23    7/25/23            SHR SAFERWATCH Contract**  
**Authorizing the Chair of the Cayuga County Legislature and the Cayuga County Sheriff to enter into a contract with Saferwatch to provide a mobile information sharing platform to allow for real-time communication between our county departments and the public we serve.**

By:     Hon. Mark Strong,, Chair, Judicial & Public Safety Committee  
       Hon. Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office, Mental Health, and Information Technology Departments has been exploring technology that could be utilized to push outbound alerts and mass notifications from the county as well as receive inbound alerts and intelligence related to criminal activity or threatening behavior from and to the public we serve; and

WHEREAS, after exploring options to meet this need, a Mobile Application provided by Saferwatch was identified as the best solution to meet this need when analyzing the functionality of the technology and cost; and

WHEREAS, the Saferwatch application provides additional panic alerts and system capabilities that would allow our schools and other locations throughout the county to provide immediate real time information including videos, photos, and tips during a critical incident to our law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, Saferwatch, being a sole source provider, can provide said services and technology countywide and beyond for \$20,000.00 per year for a three year term; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature and the Sheriff be authorized to sign the necessary documentation to enter into a contract with Saferwatch to provide a Mobile Application to push outbound alerts and mass notifications from the county as well as receive inbound alerts and intelligence related to criminal activity or threatening behavior from and to the public we serve for a three year term with a yearly cost each year of \$20,000.00; and be it further

RESOLVED, funding from the Sheriff's telephone revenue account be utilized to pay for the Saferwatch technology in year one; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Finance Department is authorized to make the journal and accounting entries required to implement the intent of this resolution.

**RESOLUTION NO. 343-23                            7/25/23                            SHR Adjust SPO Salary Port Byron**  
**Authorize a salary adjustment for the Special Patrol Officer (SPO) position within the Port Byron School District.**

By:     Mark Strong, Chair, Judicial & Public Safety Committee  
       Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, Cayuga County contracts with the Port Byron School District to provide a full time SPO within the district that is employed by and works at the direction of the Cayuga County Sheriff; and

WHEREAS, the services provided by the position of the SPO are critical for maintaining the safety and security of those in the Port Byron School District; and

WHEREAS, this position is fully funded by the Port Byron School District; and

WHEREAS, this position is currently designated in the 2023 Cayuga County Sheriff's Full Time Salaries Operating budget line – Salaries Full Time (A31101 51001); now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the hourly rate for this position be raised by \$1.00 / hour with an adjustment to \$30.00 / hour and updated in Part II of the Cayuga County Compensation Plan for 2023 and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Finance Director be authorized to make the journal and accounting entries appropriate and necessary to implement this resolution

Motion by Basile, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patti Ruffini, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 344-23      7/25/23      SHR Special Patrol Officer Weedsport**  
**Authorizing the Cayuga County Legislature and Cayuga County Sheriff to enter into a contract with the Weedsport Central School District to provide a full time Special Patrol Officer employed by the Sheriff's Office to the Weedsport Central School District to provide School Resource Officer Services and creating and filling one Special Patrol Officer Position for said purpose.**

By:      Mark Strong, Chair, Judicial & Public Safety Committee  
            Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, the Weedsport Central School District has requested from the Cayuga County Sheriff's Office assignment of a Special Patrol Officer (SPO) in their school district; and  
WHEREAS, the Weedsport Central School District and Cayuga County Sheriff believe there is a critical need for this position for the safety and security of the student body of their district; and  
WHEREAS, it would be to the mutual advantage of the Weedsport Central School District and Cayuga County Sheriff's Office to enter into an agreement whereby the Sheriff establishes the Special Patrol Officer (SPO) position in order to provide security at the Weedsport Central School District; and  
WHEREAS, the Cayuga County Sheriff seeks to create one Special Patrol Officer non-bargaining position at an hourly rate of \$30.00 per Part II of the Cayuga County Compensation Plan; and  
WHEREAS, the Weedsport Central School District agrees to reimburse the County of Cayuga for all contractual salary, fringe benefits, and equipment costs related to the position for the duration of the contracted years; and  
WHEREAS, the funding of the Special Patrol Officer, has been designated in the Cayuga County Sheriff's A31101-51001 (Salaries-Full Time) and the revenue line for reimbursement of salary and equipment in A31100-42262 (Sheriff's SRO); now therefore be it  
RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Cayuga County Legislature and the Cayuga County Sheriff be authorized to create the Special Patrol Officer position; and  
RESOLVED, that the Special Patrol Officer position will be set at an hourly rate of \$30.00 per Part II of the Cayuga County Compensation Plan; and  
RESOLVED, the Sheriff of Cayuga County be hereby authorized and directed to fill the newly created position of Special Patrol Officer in accordance with the Civil Service Rules and Regulations and the Policies of Cayuga County; and  
RESOLVED, that the budget for the Sheriff's Office be amended as follows:

Increase Expense    (A31101-51001):	\$28,000
Increase Revenue    (A31100-42262):	\$28,000

And be it further;

RESOLVED, that a 15% administration charge be added to the monthly invoice for services rendered by the Special Patrol Officer at the Weedsport Central School District; and be it further  
RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Cayuga County Legislature and the Cayuga County Sheriff be authorized to execute the necessary documents to enter into a five year agreement with the Weedsport Central School District to provide the position and services of Special Patrol Officer, with full reimbursement of cost being paid by the Weedsport Central School District the County of Cayuga, subject to the County Attorney's Office approval as to form; and  
RESOLVED, that this authorization to fill will no longer be valid after January 25, 2024; and  
RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Finance Director be authorized to make all journal and accounting entries appropriate and necessary to implement this resolution  
Motion by Basile, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patti Ruffini, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 345-23      7/25/23      PRO GIVE Grant**  
**Authorizing the Probation Dept. to accept funding through the GIVE Grant from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services and amend the 2023 probation budget to accept the funding.**

By:      Hon. Mark Strong,, Chair, Judicial & Public Safety Committee  
            Hon. Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, the Probation Dept. has been awarded grant funding in the amount of \$102,000.00 from the NY State Department of Criminal Justice Services for the 2023-2024 Gun Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) Initiative; and  
WHEREAS, all expenses for operations through the Grant will require no match of funding by the County and will be 100% funded by the NY State Division of Criminal Justice Services; now therefore be it  
RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature and the Director of Probation be authorized to sign the necessary documentation to accept the GIVE funding; and be it further  
RESOLVED, that the 2023 Probation Dept. Budget be amended to establish revenue account A31400 43390 to accept \$102,000.00; and be it further  
RESOLVED, that the Finance Department is authorized to make the journal and accounting entries required to implement the intent of this resolution.  
Motion by Basile, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Patti Ruffini, all in favor.

**McNabb-Coleman called a Democratic caucus at 6:32PM**

**Out of caucus at 6:41PM**



**RESOLUTION NO. 346-23      7/25/23      LEG LT Police AGMT 2023-2026**  
**Approving the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Cayuga County Lieutenants Police Association, Council 82, Local 9810 And the County of Cayuga for the Period of January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2026**

BY: Hon. Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways & Means Committee

WHEREAS, Cayuga County and the Cayuga County Lieutenants Police Association, Council 82, Local 9810 (“Lieutenants”) are parties to a collective bargaining agreement (formerly DSPA) governing the terms and conditions of employment for certain employees of the County; and,

WHEREAS, the County of Cayuga negotiating team, the Cayuga County Sheriff, and the Lieutenants negotiating team have agreed on a new four (4) year Collective Bargaining Agreement (Memorandum of Agreement detailing the revised terms attached) for the period January 1, 2023- December 31, 2026, subject to approval by the Cayuga County Legislature; and,

WHEREAS, Lieutenants submitted terms for an agreement to its membership for consideration and the membership of Lieutenants approved and ratified the terms for a successor agreement on July 13, 2023, copy of Memorandum of Agreement dated July 13, 2023 is attached; and,

WHEREAS, in consideration of the mutual agreements reached between the County of Cayuga and the Cayuga County Lieutenants Police Association, Council 82, Local 9810; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that a new four (4) year Collective Bargaining Agreement, term January 1, 2023 – December 31, 2026, between the County of Cayuga and the Lieutenants is hereby ratified and approved by the Cayuga County Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Cayuga County Legislature, the Cayuga County Sheriff, 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, 2026, 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 Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nightengale, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO.347-23      7/25/23      LEG Update Investment Policy**  
**UPDATING THE CAYUGA COUNTY INVESTMENT POLICY**

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to *Section 212 of County Law and Section 10 of the General Municipal Law*; the County Legislature is charged with authorizing the depositories, and the maximum amounts for such depositories, for the deposit of county funds; and

WHEREAS, the charge of the Legislature as representatives of the county’s population shall determine, and to what extent, that the best interests of the taxpayers is best served by the highest interest rates possible versus providing local depositories with sufficient capital enabling local borrowing and lending to individuals and businesses within the communities represented. Further, such charge is defined as: NY Gen. Mun. Law § 10 (2)(a)(i) The governing board of every local government **shall designate** one or more banks or trust companies for the deposit of public funds, the disposition of which is not otherwise provided for by law, received by the chief fiscal officer or any other officer authorized by law to make deposits. **Such designation shall be by resolution of the governing board** or, in the case of a city, such other body as may be authorized or required by law to designate depositories. **Such resolution shall specify the maximum amount which may be kept on deposit at any time in each such bank or trust company.** Such designations and amounts may be changed at any time by further resolution.

(ii) The governing board of a local government that has designated one or more banks or trust companies for the deposit of public funds pursuant to subparagraph (i) of this paragraph **may, in its discretion, authorize the designated bank or trust company to arrange for the redeposit of the local government's funds in one or more banking institutions** ...

WHEREAS, the Cayuga County Legislature has heretofore authorized resolutions updating the Cayuga County Investment Policy to set forth the authorized depositories, maximum amounts held, and compliance with collateralization, reinvestment, internal controls, and other such pursuant to law and finds that the approach allows for a more thorough and thoughtful adherence to the charge given by the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, upon the recommendation of the County Treasurer, the Legislature finds that adding “NY Class” to its authorized depositories and amending the maximums; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the attached CAYUGA COUNTY INVESTMENT POLICY, specifically amending:

- The designation of depositories and corresponding maximum amounts to be held
- The requirement that that Investment Policy “*Policy shall be reviewed annually by the Finance Department, Revisions must be in Resolution*” be amended to read “*Policy to be reviewed annually by the Cayuga County Legislature.*”

is hereby updated and approved, effective as of the date of this resolution.

Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 348-23      7/25/23      LEG Voter Identification rev3**

**Resolution urging the New York State Legislature and Governor Kathy Hochul to draft and enact legislation regarding a voter's identification process**

By:      Hon. Mark Strong  
          Hon. Lydia Patti Ruffini

WHEREAS, this county was formed on the principles of democracy and our forefathers fought for our right to elect our representation; and,

WHEREAS, the majority of the states in the U.S. require a voter's identification to increase the public's confidence and ensure a fair election process; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Elections may not get notification of a voter registering in another location or of a death of a registered voter; and,

WHEREAS, in an economy where the Board of Elections may not have sufficient funding or staffing to purge voters rolls of individuals who no longer live in each election district or county, as required; and,

WHEREAS, in a day and age where the ability to work does not necessarily need to be where you live, this allows for more individuals to be transient in nature and the addition of voter's identification will assist in keeping all voter rolls current; and,

WHEREAS, in the State of New York the requirement is to compare the signature on file, this doesn't necessarily help maintain current voter registration, as name and address changes are not necessarily communicated in the current process, also this would assist in the purging of the roles of individuals who are no longer active voters in that county; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Legislature calls on the Governor to draft and enact legislation to allow for a voter identification process to assist with maintaining voter's registration rolls; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this Resolution to Governor Hochul, Senator John Mannion (50<sup>th</sup> District); Senator Peter Oberbacker (51<sup>st</sup> District); Senator Pamela Helming (54<sup>th</sup> District); Assemblyman John Lemondes (126<sup>th</sup> District); and Assemblyman Brian Manktelow (130<sup>th</sup> District) and all others deemed necessary and proper.

**Motion by Patti Ruffini, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Strong. Discussion. Pecher calls the question, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Didio, all in favor except Calarco and Kerr. Resolution passed by majority vote; Ayes – Basile, Dennison, Patti Ruffini, Shea, Pecher, Strong, Didio, and Gould; Noes – McNabb-Coleman, Nightengale, Kerr, Calarco, and Muldrow; Excused – Daly and Petrus; 499/281/103.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 349-23      7/25/23      LEG Appts July 2023**

**Authorizing appointments to the various Boards and Agencies**

BY:      Cayuga County Legislature

WHEREAS, the Legislature is authorized under various state statutes, county laws, and other authorities to appoint members to various committees, board, agencies, and other organizations; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature has completed due diligence in consideration of the hereinafter listed person(s); now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, following person(s) are hereby appointed to the corresponding positions for the term(s) listed:

**Traffic Safety Board**

Amanda Casselman, PO Box 396, Union Springs, NY 13160, Term – 8/1/23 to 8/1/26

Gregory Gilfus, 46 North Street, Auburn, NY 13021, Term – 8/1/23 to 8/1/26

Stuart Peenstra, 7445 County House Rd, Auburn, NY 13021, Term – 7/1/23 to 7/1/26

James Russell, 1551 Clark Street Rd, Auburn, NY 13021, Term – 8/1/23 to 8/1/26

Matthew Sloan, 22 Second Ave. Auburn, NY 13021, Term – 8/1/23 to 8/1/26

and be it further

RESOLVED, this resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pecher, all in favor.

**RESOLUTION NO. 350-23**

**7/25/23**

**LEG Auth CDBG Pub Hearing Aug 22 2023**

**Resolution authorizing a public hearing on Cayuga County application for Community Development Block Grant Economic Development Funds and setting the date and time for same**

By: Cayuga County Legislature

WHEREAS, Cayuga County intends to apply for Three Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000.00) in economic development grant funds through the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG Grant Application) on behalf of Currier Plastics, Inc., to support the purchase of injection molding and blow molding equipment and the opening of new product lines at Currier in support of Currier's continued expansion in the healthcare market and making use of Currier's recently acquired seventy-five thousand square foot advanced manufacturing facility at 2150 Cranebrook Drive, Auburn, NY, resulting in the retention of two hundred and two (202) current employees and the creation of twenty-five (25) new, full time equivalent employees (the Project); and

WHEREAS, a Cayuga County application for CDBG economic development grant funds requires the County Legislature to inform the general public regarding its application for, and the intended use of, CDBG grant funds, by holding a Public Hearing, allowing for citizen feedback on the community and economic development needs of the County and the proposed project; and

WHEREAS, the Cayuga County Legislature supports the Currier Plastics expansion project and the economic opportunity and job creation related to the Project, Now, Therefore Be It

RESOLVED, that the Cayuga County Department of Planning & Economic Development is hereby authorized to submit a Pre-Application for CDBG economic development grant funds for the Project for consideration by NYS Homes and Community Renewal (NYSHCR) and, if formal invitation to submit a full application is extended to Cayuga County by NYSHCR, the department is authorized to submit a full application and the Chair of the Legislature is authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to finalize and submit such pre-submission and full application; and be it further

RESOLVED, that a Public Hearing shall be held concerning a Cayuga County application for economic development grant funds through the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG Grant Application) on behalf of Currier Plastics, Inc. (Currier), in support of Currier's plans to equip their 75,000 square foot facility located in the Town of Aurelius at 2150 Cranebrook Drive, Auburn, NY 13021, resulting in the retention of two hundred and two (202) current employees and the creation of twenty-five (25) new, full time equivalent employees (the Project), with such Public Hearing held before the Cayuga County Legislature, on August 22, 2023, commencing at 5:30 P.M., at a meeting held in the Chambers of the Cayuga County Legislature, County Office Building, 160 Genesee Street, Auburn, New York and electronically broadcast live via YouTube at the following address: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L1GNUMJkYY>, with members of the public directed to call in at 315-294-8051 to comment, to hear all interested parties on said proposed Project; and be it further

RESOLVED, the Clerk of the Cayuga County Legislature is hereby directed to give due legal notice of said public hearing as provided by statute.

Motion by Dennison, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Pecher, all in favor.

**Public Hearing closed at 7:21PM**

**RESOLUTION NO. 351-23 7/25/23 COA LL ADOPT Opt Out RPTL §487**

**Adopting a local law to opt out of the exemption from taxation for certain renewable energy systems under Real Property Tax Law Section 487 for the County of Cayuga**

BY: Hans Pecher, Chair, Ways & Means

**WHEREAS**, Local Law No. 5 for the year 2023 was presented to the Cayuga County Legislature on June 27, 2023; and,

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to law and after proper notice being duly given, the County Legislature held a public hearing on said Local Law No. 5 for 2023 on July 25, 2023 at 5:30 P.M.; now, therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that Local Law No. 5 of 2023, entitled “**A LOCAL LAW TO OPT OUT OF THE EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION FOR CERTAIN RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEMS UNDER REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW SECTION 487 FOR THE COUNTY OF CAYUGA**” 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 the Clerk of the Cayuga County Legislature is directed to publish notice of the adoption of Local Law No. \_\_ of 2023 in the official newspapers of Cayuga County, one time per week for each of two weeks, the first publication to be within ten (10) days of its effective date.

**STATE OF NEW YORK**

**COUNTY OF CAYUGA**

**LOCAL LAW NO. 5 FOR THE YEAR 2023**

**A LOCAL LAW TO OPT OUT OF THE EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION FOR CERTAIN RENEWABLE ENERGY SYSTEMS UNDER REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW**

**SECTION 487 FOR THE COUNTY OF CAYUGA**

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

**SECTION 1. Legislative Findings**

- A. Real Property Tax Law (RPTL) § 487(2) provides that a solar or wind energy system or farm waste energy system (i.e., anaerobic digester) that began construction on or after January 1, 2018 and before December 31, 2030 shall be exempt from real property taxation to the extent of any increase in the value thereof by reason of the inclusion of such solar or wind energy system, or farm waste energy system.
- B. RPTL § 487(8) further provides that a county may by local law provide that no exemption under § 487 shall be applicable within its jurisdiction with respect to any solar or wind energy system or farm waste energy system which began construction subsequent to January 1, 1991, or the effective date of such local law, whichever is later.
- C. The Cayuga County Legislature finds that it is in the public interest to take the necessary steps to “opt out” of the above described real property tax exemption pursuant to the authority of RPTL § 487(8).

**SECTION 2. Exemption Under RPTL § 487 No Longer Available**

Upon the effective date of this local law, no exemption under RPTL § 487 shall be applicable to County real property taxes imposed within the jurisdiction of Cayuga County with respect to any solar or wind energy system or farm waste energy system which began construction subsequent the effective date hereof.

Pursuant to RPTL § 487(8)(b), construction of a solar or wind energy system or a farm waste energy system shall be deemed to have begun upon the full execution of a contract or interconnection agreement with a utility; provided however, that if such contract or interconnection agreement requires a deposit to be made, then construction shall be deemed to have begun when the contract or interconnection agreement is fully executed and the deposit is made.

The owner or developer of such a system shall provide written notification to the appropriate local jurisdiction or jurisdictions upon execution of the contract or the interconnection agreement.

**SECTION 3. Effective Date:**

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Secretary of State and shall be applicable to all assessment rolls prepared pursuant to the first taxable status date occurring on or after the effective date of this Local Law.

Motion by Nightengale, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Muldrow, all in favor.

**Motion by Dennison to adjourn at 7:22PM, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Calarco, all in favor.**

**CAYUGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

*160 Genesee Street*

*Auburn, New York 13021*

**PROCLAMATION**

***Eileen O'Connor Day in Cayuga County***

***July 25, 2023***

**WHEREAS**, in our democratic society it is an important civic responsibility and a great honor for any governmental body to grant public recognition, admiration and gratitude to these very citizens who have helped to build this community, ensured its public safety, and influenced the future of its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, Eileen O'Connor, PE is an unwaveringly dedicated and esteemed civil servant for Cayuga County serving as the Director of Environmental Health Services for 30 years; and

**WHEREAS**, Eileen O'Connor, PE is a true public health professional working to protect health and prevent disease for all county residents in an equitable manner through her leadership, technical expertise, analysis and comprehension of formidable regulations with pragmatic implementation, while maintaining respect and compassion toward all; and

**WHEREAS**, Eileen O'Connor, PE, amongst her varied duties, has always been a staunch advocate for protection of our waterbodies, in particular the protection of Owasco Lake which provides water to over half the county population; and

**WHEREAS**, in the course of her employment, Eileen O'Connor PE, has also ben integrally involved in public health response to emergencies to help address human needs and provide technical expertise to cease the continuance of said emergencies such as the underground water contamination by volatile organic chemicals, identification of cyanotoxins in Owasco Lake, response to COVID-19 pandemic; and

**WHEREAS**, Eileen O'Connor, PE's knowledge, professionalism and collegiality are an example to all and will be most sincerely missed by her colleagues and the community upon her retirement from service at Cayuga County; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED** that I, David S. Gould, Chairman of the Cayuga County Legislature, and fellow Legislators do hereby proclaim our gratitude and urge the residents of our County to join with us in recognizing **Eileen O'Connor Day, July 25, 2023**.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF I HAVE  
HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND  
CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE COUNTY  
OF CAYUGA TO BE AFFIXED ON  
THIS TWENTY-FIFTH DAY OF JULY  
2023**

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**DAVID S. GOULD, CHIAR  
CAYUGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

**CAYUGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE**  
*160 Genesee Street*  
*Auburn, New York 13021*  
**PROCLAMATION**  
**On the Occasion of Retirement**  
*DIANE M. ADSIT*

**On this 25<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2023 in Cayuga County**

**WHEREAS**, in our democratic society it is an important civic responsibility and a great honor for any governmental body to grant public recognition, admiration, and gratitude to these very citizens who have helped to build this community, ensured its public safety, and influenced the future of its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, we are here today to express special recognition to Diane M. Adsit and to honor her for her distinguished thirty-four year career with the Cayuga County District Attorney's Office; and

**WHEREAS**, Diane began her career on May 1, 1989 as Cayuga County's first STOP DWI Prosecutor under District Attorney Paul A. Carbonaro; and

**WHEREAS**, Diane continued her career with District Attorney James B. Vargason from January 1, 1992 – December 31, 2007; District Attorney Jon E. Budelmann from January 1, 2008 – December 31, 2021; and District Attorney Brittany Grome Antonacci from January 1, 2022 – May 6, 2023; and

**WHEREAS**, Diane worked continually for the betterment of the Citizens of Cayuga County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cayuga County Legislature wishes to express its sincere appreciation to Diane for her commitment to the rights and protection of victims of crime; and

**WHEREAS**, this proclamation is presented to Diane to serve as a reminder that although she is retiring, she will always be remembered as a valued employee whose hard work and dedication made a difference in the lives of those we serve; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED** that I, David S. Gould, Chairman of the Cayuga County Legislature, and fellow Legislators do hereby present this Proclamation to Diane M. Adsit as a testimonial to the faithful and dedicated services which she has performed for the past thirty-four years, and we urge the residents of our County to join us in recognizing Diane with our gratitude and best wishes for continued success and happiness in the future.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF I HAVE  
HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND  
CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE COUNTY  
OF CAYUGA TO BE AFFIXED ON  
THIS 25TH DAY OF JULY, 2023**

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**DAVID S. GOULD, CHAIRMAN  
CAYUGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

**CAYUGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE**  
*160 Genesee Street*  
*Auburn, New York 13021*

**PROCLAMATION**

**UNITED WAY DAY OF CARING in CAYUGA COUNTY**  
**Thursday, August 3, 2022**

**WHEREAS**, the United Way of Cayuga County is once again bringing the community together for the 3rd Annual Day of Caring where volunteers tackle either a half-day or day-long project to further the missions and program opportunities of Cayuga County nonprofits and community centers in the villages of Fair Haven, Weedsport, Union Springs, Poplar Ridge, Aurora, and the City of Auburn; and

**WHEREAS**, fourteen projects have been registered between the American Red Cross, Hillside Family Agencies, Fair Haven Public Library, Catholic Charities of the Finger Lakes, Camp Caspar Gregory, Transportation Project of Cayuga County, Unity House of Cayuga County, Chapel House Homeless Shelter, New York StateWide Senior Action Council, Southern Cayuga Instant Aid, Healing H'Arts Equestrian Center, The Salvation Army, ARISE, and City of Auburn Youth Recreation Summer Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the United Way of Cayuga County and American Red Cross have partnered to host their Second Annual Day of Caring Blood Drive at Cayuga Community College between 11am – 4pm to help meet the critical blood need our community and nation are facing; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 150 volunteers from across Cayuga County and our local businesses are coming together to tackle projects ranging from landscaping, book review and removal, building a pergola, deep cleaning vehicles, repairing outdoor stairs, filling giveaway bags for an upcoming event, installing a fence, food preparation, assembling an accessibility ramp, and park clean up; and

**WHEREAS**, the United Way of Cayuga County is launching the 6th Annual Countywide Personal Care Drive on August 3rd with community drop-off sites available in the villages Fair Haven, Cato, Port Byron, Weedsport, Union Springs, Aurora, King Ferry, Moravia, as well as the City of Auburn through Tuesday, October 10th to collect hygiene items for distribution to Cayuga County soup kitchens, pantries, and homeless shelters in partnership the Food Providers Network; and

**WHEREAS**, the 3rd Annual Day of Caring and 6th Annual Countywide Personal Care Drive are tangible examples of the United Way of Cayuga County's mission to 'Mobilize the Caring Power of our Community' through the donation of time, talents, hygiene items, and dollars; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED** that I, David Gould, Chairman of the Cayuga County Legislature, and fellow legislators do hereby proclaim **Thursday, August 3, 2023** to be **United Way Day of Caring in Cayuga County** and urge all Cayuga County residents, businesses, and organizations to lend a hand and help a neighbor.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF I HAVE  
HEREUNTO SET MY HAND AND  
CAUSED THE SEAL OF THE COUNTY  
OF CAYUGA TO BE AFFIXED ON  
THIS THIRD DAY OF AUGUST 2023**

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**DAVID S. GOULD, CHAIR**  
**CAYUGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

## Operations Officer Report

Cayuga County Legislature – July 25, 2023

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June 1-July 25, 2023

### **I. County Operational Responsibilities**

- **New Hires**
  - Assistance to new hires: Director of Purchasing, Stop DWI Coordinator and Grant Manager
  
- **Collaboration work with HR:**
  - Continue to work with HR, Director of Finance, and IT Director on potential solutions for improving the employee onboarding/off boarding process and streamlining, standardizing, and updating the payroll process.
  - Assisting with the review and updating of employee job descriptions with relevant Department Heads.
  - Collaborating with HR and Building and Grounds on employee parking concerns and improvement on same
  
- **Policy/Plan Review:**
  - Continue to work on updating policies in collaboration with Department Heads and other members of management. Recent policies completed, Vehicle Policy, PIO Policy and Policy for the Resolution Process. Working with Director of Finance, Budget Director, and the Director of Purchasing on updating the County Procurement Card Policy
  - Corporate Compliance Plan:
    - Finalized three Compliance Procedures with the Covered Departments at meeting on 7/12:
      - Auditing and Monitoring
      - Billing Errors, Overpayments, and Self-Disclosure,
      - Reporting and Investigation of Compliance Concerns.
      - Working on completing the annual Work Plan in collaboration with each Covered Departments and standardizing content of the employee training
      - Next meeting September 13<sup>th</sup>.
  - County Emergency Action Plan:
    - Work group continues work to finalize the plan. Currently in progress.
  
- **Leadership meetings:**
  - Attended weekly as scheduled by Chairman of the Legislature



- **Safety Committee:**
  - July Quarterly meeting scheduled 7/27

## **II. Legislative Support**

- **Legislative Committee Meetings-** attend monthly.
- **Full Legislative Meetings-** attend monthly.
- **Small Business Grant Committee**
  - Round 2 completed and successful. 8 Awardees notified and waiting for requested information to be returned for their award disbursements.
  - Report drafted for Legislature meeting 7-25
  - Finalizing the one-time reporting requirements for awardees of Round 1 to be disseminated – reporting will be an electronic submission.
- **Cayuga County Business Steering Committee meetings.**
  - Facilitate monthly meetings for the group designated by the Chairman that collaborates on County preparedness for the entrance of Micron. - Meeting held on June 26<sup>th</sup>. Next meeting scheduled for August 28<sup>th</sup>.
  - Continue to participate in the monthly Micron updates through the NYS Board of Realtors meetings as provided by County Executive, Ryan McMahon
- **Building Renovation Project Committee:**
  - A member of the committee – Committee meeting held 7/13
  - In collaboration with Gary Duckett, several meetings held with Department Heads to review draft of space allocation plans received from the architect to ensure accuracy with spatial needs.
  - Consistent communication with architect to remain on schedule.
  - Consistent updates provided to the Building Renovation Project Committee
  - Biweekly meetings scheduled and held with the architect for updates - 6/21, 7/11 and 7/25.
- **HPO Building - Courts Renovation**
  - Part of a committee including city staff, Gary Duckett and Architect (hired by the city).
  - RFP Process completed by the city. Architect chosen and hired.
  - Kick off meeting held with architect on 7/19.

### III. **Employee Relations**

- **Individual Department Meetings:**
  - Meetings with Stop DWI Coordinator
  - Consistent communication and meetings with new Director of Purchasing
  - Periodic meetings held with Youth Bureau Director
  - Grant Manager
  - DSS Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner related to legal employee vacancies.
  - OFA – parking and fiscal vacancy
- **Department Head meetings:**
  - Facilitate monthly meetings- 6/28 and 7/26
  - Organize agenda and topic for roundtable discussions. 6/28 discussion on the contract process, 7/26 discussion planned on new employee orientation and budget preparation process, 8/30 DREAMS project update and plans moving forward involving departments.
- **Employee Recognition Program:**
  - Cayuga Gold Award presented 6/29 to the COB Security Staff
  - Meetings held regarding adding wellness to the program.
  - Wellness provider information session tentatively scheduled for 7/27 for County employees and plans being discussed for an employee health fair in October.
  - Working with health consortium to gain support for the Cayuga Gold wellness programs.
- **Adhoc:**
  - Provide daily departmental support as needed to Department Heads and/or staff.

### IV. **Financial Functions:**

- Working with and assisting the new Director of Purchasing while transitioning into position.
- Sourcewell webinar 7/20
- **2023 Shared Services Plan**
  - Notices to municipalities by Sarah Blowers for meetings scheduled on 8/9 and 9/12
- **Finance Department:**
  - Participation in meetings pertaining to departmental vacancies.
  - Year End Financial Audit Exit meeting attended with Drescher & Malecki on 7-11-2023