

**REGULAR SESSION  
FIRST DAY**

**Wednesday, December 2, 2020**

This monthly Board Meeting was streamed via Facebook Live.

The Board Chair called the Board to order, the roll was called and the following Representatives were found to be present:

Frazier via zoom, Farwell via zoom, Brockway via zoom, Stammel via zoom, Kennedy in Board Chambers, Bliss via zoom, Marietta via zoom, McCarty via zoom, Wilber via zoom, Oliver via zoom, Martini via zoom, Lapin via zoom and Basile via zoom.

Also present: County Attorney, Ellen Coccoma via zoom, County Treasurer, Allen Ruffles via zoom

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board Chair Bliss requested that given the State of Emergency and the Governor's Executive Orders, there be a motion to suspend the Rules of Order as follows: Rule 22 of the Rules of Order be suspended to omit Privilege of the Floor as it is not possible to provide this opportunity given the State of Emergency and the Governor's executive orders and Rule 26 of the Rules of Order be suspended to allow late resolutions to also be transmitted to Board members by email or by utilizing screen sharing video application at the Board meeting. Representative Wilber moved approval. Seconded, Martini. Oral vote. Total: 6,228. Ayes: 5,694; Vacant: 534- District 6. Motion carried.

The minutes of November 4, 2020 were approved.

The following communication was read and ordered filed:

A letter received asking the Board to reject the sanctuary proposal

Under Special Presentations, Acting SUNY Oneonta President, Dennis Craig, gave a presentation on SUNY Oneonta's reopening plan in response to COVID.

The reports of the Standing Committees were given and ordered filed.

Personnel Officer, Penney Gentile joined the meeting via zoom during Standing Committee reports.

The reports of the Special Committees were given and ordered filed.

Representative Kennedy gave a report of the Land Bank Board  
Representative Marietta gave a report of the Otsego Now Board  
Representative Marietta gave a report of the Cornell Cooperative  
Extension

The Administration Committee offered the following reports for approval:

**PETITION - SUPERVISOR - LAURENS CONSOLIDATED HEALTH DISTRICT**

To the Board of Representatives of Otsego County:

I, the undersigned, Supervisor of the Town of Laurens do respectfully petition that there be levied and assessed against the taxable property of the said Town of Laurens the sum of \$0.00 for the following purposes:

For the purpose of defraying the expenses for 2021 of the Consolidated Health District, which district includes the incorporated Village of Laurens all in accordance with the Budget for 2021 adopted by the Laurens Consolidated Health District Board.

When the sum of \$0.00 has been collected, the same shall be paid to the Otsego County Treasurer and by him paid to the President of said Consolidated Health District or his successor in office.

Dated: November 11, 2020

DEAN BUCCHERI, Supervisor  
Town of Laurens, New York

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**PETITION - SUPERVISOR - MORRIS CONSOLIDATED HEALTH DISTRICT**

To the Board of Representatives of Otsego County:

I, the undersigned, Supervisor of the Town of Morris do respectfully petition that there be levied and assessed against the taxable property of the said Town of Morris the sum of \$0.00 for the following purposes:

For the purpose of defraying the expenses for 2021 of the Consolidated Health District, which district includes the incorporated Village of Morris all in accordance with the Budget for 2021 adopted by the Morris Consolidated Health District Board.

When the sum of \$0.00 has been collected, the same shall be paid to the Otsego County Treasurer and by him paid to the President of said Consolidated Health District or his successor in office.

Dated: November 11, 2020

LYNN A. JOY, Supervisor  
Town of Morris, New York

**TOTAL 2020 ELECTION EXPENSE FOR 2021 TAX ROLL**

The Administration Committee reports that in accordance with Section 233-a of County Law and Section 93 of the Election Law the following expenditures be charged against the various tax districts, as follows:

Tax District	Total No. of Machines	# Insp. for class. Each	First Election	Second Election	Third Election	General Election	Inspector Class	Custodian	Total Election	MACHINE MAINTENANCE
			Expense	Expense	Expense	Expense	Expense	Expense	Expense (including machine maint)	
Oneonta City	3	41	4,284.82	0.00	0.00	12,251.32	1,025.00	223.28	20,784.42	3000.00
Burlington	1	7	750.80	0.00	0.00	1,793.91	175.00	27.92	3,747.63	1000.00
Butternuts	1	9	1,020.32	0.00	0.00	3,072.54	225.00	55.84	5,373.70	1000.00
Cherry Valley	1	8	750.44	0.00	0.00	1,875.55	200.00	27.92	3,853.91	1000.00
Decatur	1	5	908.52	0.00	0.00	1,700.67	125.00	27.92	3,762.11	1000.00
Edmeston	1	5	751.92	0.00	0.00	1,722.47	125.00	27.92	3,627.31	1000.00
Exeter	1	4	909.60	0.00	0.00	1,708.15	100.00	27.92	3,745.67	1000.00
Hartwick	1	16	998.84	0.00	0.00	3,078.26	400.00	55.84	5,532.94	1000.00
Laurens	1	10	1,156.64	0.00	0.00	3,238.26	250.00	55.84	5,700.74	1000.00
Maryland	1	10	1,179.68	0.00	0.00	3,072.26	250.00	55.84	5,557.78	1000.00
Middlefield	1	20	1,156.32	0.00	0.00	3,240.78	500.00	55.84	5,952.94	1000.00
Milford	1	13	1,156.92	0.00	0.00	3,249.54	325.00	55.84	5,787.30	1000.00
Morris	1	6	753.04	0.00	0.00	1,720.75	150.00	27.92	3,651.71	1000.00
New Lisbon	1	8	751.04	0.00	0.00	1,873.87	200.00	27.92	3,852.83	1000.00
Oneonta	2	29	2,773.28	0.00	0.00	6,216.52	725.00	111.68	11,826.48	2000.00
Otego	1	15	1,157.64	0.00	0.00	3,168.22	375.00	55.84	5,756.70	1000.00
Otsego	2	34	2,314.84	0.00	0.00	5,445.77	850.00	83.76	10,694.37	2000.00
Pittsfield	1	5	750.08	0.00	0.00	1,712.91	125.00	27.92	3,615.91	1000.00
Plainfield	1	5	750.16	0.00	0.00	1,710.23	125.00	27.92	3,613.31	1000.00
Richfield	1	13	1,234.64	0.00	0.00	3,238.82	325.00	55.84	5,854.30	1000.00
Roseboom	1	6	1,095.08	0.00	0.00	1,707.35	150.00	27.92	3,980.35	1000.00
Springfield	1	7	911.16	0.00	0.00	1,714.71	175.00	27.92	3,828.79	1000.00
Unadilla	1	17	1,722.08	0.00	0.00	4,450.69	425.00	83.76	7,681.53	1000.00
Westford	1	6	910.12	0.00	0.00	1,709.95	150.00	27.92	3,797.99	1000.00
Worcester	1	12	1,238.48	0.00	0.00	4,506.49	300.00	83.76	7,128.73	1000.00
<b>Totals:</b>	29	311	\$31,386.46	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$79,179.99	\$7,775.00	\$1,368.00	\$148,709.45	29000.00

## SOLID WASTE EXPENSE FOR 2021 TAX ROLL

TAX DISTRICT	TOTAL NUMBER OF UNITS	TOTAL AMOUNT	NO. OF PARCELS
Oneonta City	7,293.09	\$182,327.25	3054
Burlington	579.62	\$14,490.50	535
Butternuts	1,024.72	\$25,618.00	924
Cherry Valley	752.19	\$18,804.75	613
Decatur	212.50	\$5,312.50	205
Edmeston	1,152.28	\$28,807.00	840
Exeter	541.14	\$13,528.50	512
Hartwick	2,042.71	\$51,067.75	1033
Laurens	1,306.22	\$32,655.50	980
Maryland	1,096.50	\$27,412.50	942
Middlefield	1,248.18	\$31,204.50	1068
Milford	1,883.47	\$47,086.75	1430
Morris	967.24	\$24,181.00	778
New Lisbon	596.00	\$14,900.00	569
Oneonta	5,055.64	\$126,391.00	1855
Otego	1,537.53	\$38,438.25	1177
Otsego	4,162.17	\$104,054.25	2011
Pittsfield	663.40	\$16,585.00	629
Plainfield	448.86	\$11,221.50	427
Richfield	1,879.85	\$46,996.25	1183
Roseboom	451.70	\$11,292.50	427
Springfield	851.17	\$21,279.25	710
Unadilla	2,354.12	\$58,853.00	1778
Westford	508.00	\$12,700.00	495
Worcester	1,350.76	\$33,769.00	1121
<b>Totals:</b>	39,959.06	\$998,976.50	25296

**MORTGAGE TAX DISTRIBUTION - 2020**

The Administration Committee presents the following report of Mortgage Tax Distribution made in accordance with reports of the County Clerk and County Treasurer and in compliance with the provisions of law. The committee has reconciled the distribution of Mortgage Tax from April 1, 2020 through September 30, 2020 as follows:

Tax District	Amount Allocated To Tax District	Amount Apportioned To Villages	Amount Apportioned To City and Towns
Oneonta City	53,455.94		53,455.94
Burlington	8,185.71		8,185.71
Butternuts	15,160.13	1,180.84	13,979.29
Cherry Valley	12,992.94	1,799.87	11,193.07
Decatur	1,999.34		1,999.34
Edmeston	11,648.29		11,648.29
Exeter	5,621.86		5,621.86
Hartwick	27,918.53		27,918.53
Laurens	22,417.54	587.50	21,830.04
Maryland	5,076.04		5,076.04
Middlefield	33,039.74	1,812.62	31,227.12
Milford	28,016.73	1,075.55	26,941.18
Morris	9,105.10	1,015.64	8,089.46
New Lisbon	5,479.12		5,479.12
Oneonta Town	60,042.28		60,042.28
Otego	17,140.64	2,513.84	14,626.80
Otsego	74,670.01	15,369.74	59,300.27
Pittsfield	3,657.20		3,657.20
Plainfield	3,171.34		3,171.34
Richfield	18,059.52	2,929.11	15,130.41
Roseboom	6,454.50		6,454.50
Springfield	10,619.72		10,619.72
Unadilla	25,306.53	2,975.74	22,330.79
Westford	2,159.93		2,159.93
Worcester	12,280.55		12,280.55
<b>Totals</b>	<b>473,679.23</b>	<b>31,260.45</b>	<b>442,418.78</b>

Dated: November 25, 2020

The Administration Committee offers the following resolution and moves its adoption:

RESOLVED, that this Board issues its warrant to the County Treasurer for the distribution of the amount in his hands in accordance with the foregoing report.

Representative Kennedy moved to adopt all the foregoing reports as presented. Seconded, Brockway. Oral vote. Total: 6,228. Ayes: 5,694; Vacant: 534- District 6. Adopted.

Representative Lapin moved to dispense with the reading of all reports and resolutions. Seconded, Oliver. Oral vote. Total: 6,228. Ayes: 5,694; Vacant: 534- District 6. Motion carried.

Board Chair Bliss asked if any representative wished to remove a resolution(s) from the consent agenda so it can be acted upon separately.

Representative Kennedy removed resolutions 349, 350, 356 and Local Law D. Representative Oliver removed resolution 362.

Board Chair Bliss declared a break at 11:50.

The meeting reconvened at 11:59.

Board Chair Bliss called for action on the consent agenda, excluding Resolution Nos. 349, 350, 356, 362 and Local Law D. Representative Marietta moved to act upon the consent agenda, Resolution Nos. 351-355, 357-361, 363-364.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 351-20201202

#### RESOLUTION – AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD TO TO SIGN THREE YEAR EXTENSION OF INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENT WITH THE GREATER MOHAWK VALLEY LANDBANK

KENNEDY, MARIETTA, MCCARTY, FRAZIER, MARTINI

WHEREAS, by Resolution 291-20161005 the County of Otsego agreed to the creation of and participation in the Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank; in October 2016 the County signed an Intermunicipal Agreement (IMA) appointing board members, approving the articles of incorporation and establishing the Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank; and

WHEREAS, the Administration Committee reviewed and approved a proposed 3 year extension of the IMA and recommends that the County continue its participation in the Mohawk Valley Landbank; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is hereby authorized to sign an extension of the above referenced Intermunicipal Agreement which will continue

the participation of the County of Otsego in the Greater Mohawk Valley Landbank for a three year period.

RESOLUTION NO. 352-20201202

RESOLUTION – APPROVING AGREEMENTS FOR CONTROL OF SNOW AND ICE ON COUNTY ROADS WITH THE TOWNS OF PLAINFIELD, EXETER, DECATUR PURSUANT TO HIGHWAY LAW SECTION 135A

OBERACKER, MCCARTY, FRAZIER, FARWELL, WILBER

WHEREAS, Section 135A of the Highway Law provides that the Board of Representatives of any County may appropriate such sums it deems proper for the control of snow and ice on County roads, and

WHEREAS, the work necessary for such control of snow and ice within the boundaries of a County may be delegated by the County to a municipality by agreement pursuant to the authority of Section 135A of the Highway Law; and

WHEREAS, each town listed below has indicated its willingness to perform the functions so delegated to it for the performance of the work of such control of snow and ice upon the terms described herein, and in accordance with such rules and regulations as may be deemed by the Superintendent to be in the best interests of the County; and

WHEREAS, each town board listed below has approved the Snow and Ice Agreement presented to it by the County Highway Superintendent for the period October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2023 and has indicated that their Town will provide proof of the required insurance and other information; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that, the County Highway Superintendent is hereby authorized to sign the Agreement for the Control of Snow and Ice with the following municipalities:

1. Town of Exeter
2. Town of Plainfield
3. Town of Decatur

and be it further

RESOLVED, the funds for such agreement are contained in the 2020



Highway Administration budget (5142-D) at line 4940 Snow and Ice Town Contracts and in similar budget lines for past and subsequent years.

RESOLUTION NO. 353-20201202

RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF VARIOUS INSURANCE POLICIES

KENNEDY, MARIETTA, MCCARTY, FRAZIER, MARTINI

WHEREAS, the County has contracted for necessary policies of insurance covering various properties and exposures to claim, and certain of said policies expire December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the County desires to self insure to the sum of \$250,000 certain of the coverages, namely, auto liability, law enforcement liability, public officials liability and comprehensive general liability; and

WHEREAS, in conjunction with such self insurance, the County desires to obtain insurance coverages over said \$250,000; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair is authorized to contract for the following policies of insurance for the following periods and premiums:

- 1. General Liability and Excess Liability with NYMIR Insurance Company  
 12/31/20 - 12/31/21..... \$68,663.10  
 \$5,000,000 each occurrence/\$11,000,000 aggregate  
 \$5,000,000 each occurrence/\$5,000,000 aggregate; Personal &  
 Advertising injury and Products/completed products  
 General Liability and Excess Liability with \$250,000 deductible.  
 Administration includes charge backs per claims handled.

Claims Administration:

The Risk Manager, part-time, shall oversee all investigations (personal injury and property damage), administration of files and claims and conform to all applicable statutes and rules and as these services have been previously performed by predecessor independent contractor. The County will administer first party claims; the County shall approve claims of \$5,000.00 or more referred to legal counsel and selection of legal counsel.

- 2. Law Enforcement Liability with NYMIR Insurance Company  
 12/31/20 – 12/31/21 ..... \$36,210.90  
 \$250,000 deductible applies  
 \$5,000,000 each claim/\$6,000,000 aggregate
- 3. Public Officials Liability with NYMIR Insurance Company  
 12/31/20 – 12/31/21 ..... \$28,656.10  
 \$250,000 deductible applies  
 \$5,000,000 each claim/\$6,000,000 aggregate
- 4. Automobile Liability with NYMIR Insurance Company (Auto 001)  
 12/31/20 – 12/31/21 ..... \$44,902.90  
 \$250,000 deductible applies  
 \$5,000,000 each claim/\$9,000,000 aggregate
- 5. Automobile Liability with NYMIR Insurance Company (Auto 002)  
 12/31/20 – 12/31/21 ..... \$22,030.60  
 \$5,000,000 each claim/\$9,000,000 aggregate
- 6. OCP with NYMIR Insurance Company  
 12/31/20 – 12/31/21 ..... \$275.00
- 7. Property & Inland Marine with Chubb (Federal Insurance Co.)  
 12/31/20 – 12/31/21..... \$89,985.00

Included within this coverage and premium are the following:

- Boat
- Miscellaneous Equipment

Valuable Papers  
 Radio Equipment  
 Contractors Equipment  
 EDP Equipment  
 Automobile Catastrophe Physical Damage Coverage  
 Boiler & Machinery

8. Crime with Travelers Insurance Company  
 12/31/20 – 12/31/21..... \$4,723.00  
 \$300,000 employee dishonesty
  
9. Healthcare General & Professional Liability with NYMIR and Excess  
 Healthcare General & Professional Liability with EmPro Insurance Co.  
 12/31/20 – 12/31/21..... \$43,818.00  
 \$25,000 deductible applies to Healthcare General Liability  
 \$25,000 deductible applies to Healthcare Professional Liability  
 \$1,000,000 each claim/\$3,000,000 aggregate on professional liability  
 \$1,000,000 each OCC/\$2,000,000 aggregate on healthcare general liability
  
10. Cyber Liability with Axis Insurance Company  
 12/31/20 – 12/31/21..... \$11,523.00  
 Policy Limit- \$2,000,000  
 \$25,000 deductible applies

and be it further

RESOLVED, that these contracts shall be entered into with various insurance companies through its agent, Rose and Kiernan; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the said contracts shall contain such additional terms as shall be in the best interests of the County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the funds for the above policies are included in the 2021 Unallocated Insurance Budget (1910-A) at line 546600.

RESOLUTION NO. 354-20201202

RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF  
INSURANCE POLICY FOR EXCESS  
EMPLOYERS LIABILITY INSURANCE

KENNEDY, MARIETTA, MCCARTY, FRAZIER, MARTINI

WHEREAS, the County has contracted for Excess Employers Liability Insurance which expires December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the County to renew this policy for 2021; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair is authorized to contract the following policy of insurance for the following period and premium:

Excess Employers Liability with Capitol Indemnity Corporation

12/31/20 - 12/31/21 .....\$14,199.00  
\$ 50,000 deductible applies

and be it further

RESOLVED, that this contract shall be entered into with Capitol Indemnity Corporation through its agent, Rose and Kiernan; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the said contract shall contain such additional terms as shall be in the best interests of the County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the funds for the above policy are included in the 2021 Self-Insurance (Workers Compensation) Budget (1710-S) at line 548200 Insurance.

RESOLUTION NO. 355-20201202

RESOLUTION – ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE NEW YORK STATE  
OFFICE OF THE AGING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR OF THE  
BOARD TO CONTRACT WITH OTSEGO RURAL HOUSING  
ASSISTANCE FOR THE INSTALLATION OF HANDICAP RAMPS FOR  
OLDER ADULTS IN OTSEGO COUNTY

STAMMEL, LAPIN, MARIETTA, BROCKWAY, BASILE

WHEREAS, Otsego County has been awarded a grant from the New York State Office for the Aging for expenses related to the assistance to older adults in Otsego County in an amount of \$46,056 for the period of April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the County to accept these grant monies; and

WHEREAS, the County must enter into an agreement with NYS OCFS to accept this funding to be spent for the above expenses; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the County to use these funds, in part, for the installation of handicap ramps for older adults in Otsego County; and

WHEREAS, after consulting with the Purchasing Agent and due to the nature of the services, neither a bid nor a Request for Proposals was needed for this service; and

WHEREAS, Otsego Rural Housing Assistance (ORHA) has expressed a willingness to provide this service; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the grant from the New York State Office for the Aging in the amount of \$20,314 for a period of April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021 is hereby accepted; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with Otsego County Rural Housing Assistance (ORHA), 709 County Highway 33, Cooperstown, NY 13326 at a cost not to exceed \$20,314 for a period of April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021 for the installation of handicap ramps for older adults in Otsego County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that said contract shall contain such terms and conditions as are in the best interests of the County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the funding for this purchase is included in the 2020 Office for the Aging Budget (6772-A) at line 4900 Contracts and shall be contained in similar budget lines for the subsequent year utilizing 100% State funds.

RESOLUTION NO. 357-20201202

RESOLUTION – FILLING OF A CERTAIN POSITION

IN BUILDING SERVICES  
(DIRECTOR OF BUILDING SERVICES #1)

OBERACKER, MCCARTY, FRAZIER, FARWELL, WILBER

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 174-20200506 established a County wide hiring freeze requiring full Board approval for the filling of positions; and

WHEREAS, there has been a department vacancy due to a retirement, making it necessary to fill this position; and

WHEREAS, after consultation with the Public Works and Administration Committees, it was determined that there was a need to fill this position; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following position is authorized to be filled in Building Services, effective December 2, 2020:

**Director of Building Services (#1), Grade 23G, \$62,314**

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the funding for this position is included in the 2020 Cooperstown Office Building Administration Budget (1625-A) at line 1000 Personal Service; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board is authorized and directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the County Treasurer and to the Personnel Officer.

RESOLUTION NO. 358-20201202

RESOLUTION – FILLING A POSITION ABOVE BASE SALARY  
IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND AUTHORIZING INCREASE FOR  
ADDITIONAL POSITION WITH THE SAME TITLE  
(CORRECTION NURSE #2 & #1)

WILBER, FARWELL, OBERACKER, FRAZIER, STAMMEL

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 174-20200506 established a County wide hiring freeze requiring full Board approval for the filling of positions; and

WHEREAS, there is a need for an additional nurse position in the Sheriff's Department and;

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Department desires to hire for a position above base level salary due to recruitment difficulties; and

WHEREAS, both the Public Safety and Legal Affairs Committee and the Administration Committee of this Board approved filling the position above base level salary; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following position, previously created, is approved for filling in the Sheriff's Department effective December 2, 2020:

**Corrections Nurse (#2), Grade 18R, \$58,381 - \$69,326 (\$2,189)  
to be filled at step 5 (\$67,137)**

and be it further

RESOLVED, that pending the filling of this position, another existing position, Corrections Nurse (#1), will be moved to step 6 if not at that step at time of the Correction Nurse (#2) appointment; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the funding for this position is included in the 2020 Jail Budget (3150-A) at line 1000 Personal Service; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board be and hereby is authorized and directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the County Treasurer and to the Personnel Officer.

RESOLUTION NO. 359-20201202

RESOLUTION – FILLING A CERTAIN POSITION  
IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES  
(SOCIAL WELFARE EXAMINER #28)

MARTINI, FRAZIER, BASILE, BROCKWAY, OLIVER

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 174-20200506 established a County wide hiring freeze requiring full Board approval for the filling of positions; and

WHEREAS, this position has become vacant and now needs to be filled; and

WHEREAS, the Human Services Committee and Administration Committee have both approved the filling of this position; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following position is authorized to be filled in the Department of Social Services, effective December 2, 2020:

**Social Welfare Examiner (#28), Grade 8K, \$29,353 - \$34,593 (\$1,048)**

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the funding for this position is included in the 2020 Social Services Administration Budget (6010-A) at line 1000 Personal Service with approximate reimbursement of 50% Federal funds and 50% local funds; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board is authorized and directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the County Treasurer and to the Personnel Officer.

RESOLUTION NO. 360-20201202

RESOLUTION – FILLING CERTAIN POSITIONS  
IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES  
(CASEWORKER #7 & 9)

MARTINI, FRAZIER, BASILE, BROCKWAY, OLIVER

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 174-20200506 established a County wide hiring freeze requiring full Board approval for the filling of positions; and

WHEREAS, since the passing of this resolution, there have been resignations which created two vacant Caseworker positions; and

WHEREAS, the Human Services Committee and Administration Committee of this Board approved the filling of these positions in the Department of Social Services; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following positions are authorized to be filled in the Department of Social Services, effective December 2, 2020:

**Caseworker (#7), Grade 14X, \$38,195 - \$45,205 (\$1,402)**

**Caseworker (#9), Grade 14X, \$38,195 - \$45,205 (\$1,402)**

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the funding for these positions is included in the 2020 Social



Services Administration Budget (6010-A) at line 1000 Personal Service with approximate reimbursements of 62% Federal funds, 24% State funds and 14% local funds; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board is authorized and directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the County Treasurer and to the Personnel Officer.

RESOLUTION NO. 361-20201202

RESOLUTION - AUTHORIZING DIRECTOR OF REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES TO PAY ANNUAL LICENSING FEE FOR THE NYS REAL PROPERTY SYSTEM

KENNEDY, MARIETTA, MCCARTY, FRAZIER, MARTINI

WHEREAS, there is a need for an annual renewal of the New York State Real Property System in Real Property Tax Services; and

WHEREAS, because the Office of Real Property Tax Services of the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance is the sole source for this renewal, a Request for Proposal was not made or offered; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Director of Real Property Tax Services be and is hereby authorized to pay for the annual licensing fee pay for the use of the NYS Real Property System supplied through the Office of Real Property Tax Services, New York State Department of Taxation & Finance, Attn: Check Processing Unit, Building 8A, W.A. Harriman State Campus, Albany, NY 12227, for the fiscal year of 2020-21 at a cost not to exceed \$26,100; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the funding for this payment is included in the 2020 Real Property Tax Service Budget (1355-A) at line 4900 Contracts utilizing 100% local funds.

RESOLUTION NO. 363-20201202

RESOLUTION – CANCELLING TAX LIEN ON PREMISES DONATED TO THE GREATER MOHAWK VALLEY LAND BANK CORPORATION IN THE VILLAGE OF RICHFIELD, 177 MAIN STREET, TAX MAP NO. 14.17-2-31.00

KENNEDY, MARIETTA, MCCARTY, FRAZIER, MARTINI

WHEREAS, the owner of premises located at 177 Main Street in the Village of Richfield Springs, having Tax Map No. 14.17-2-31.00, expressed a desire to donate the property to the Greater Mohawk Valley Land Bank Corporation which organization has accepted the donation and plans improvements to the premises in accordance with their guidelines; and

WHEREAS, to date, the amount of back taxes due on the premises is \$723.66 and the Land Bank has requested cancellation of the back taxes so that it may proceed to expend funds on the further improvement of the premises and the community; and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer supports cancellation of said taxes; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that all delinquent tax liens be cancelled on the property as described above; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Otsego County Treasurer.

RESOLUTION NO. 364-20201202

RESOLUTION – TRANSFERRING FUNDS IN  
VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS FOR 2020

KENNEDY, MARIETTA, MCCARTY, FRAZIER, MARTINI

WHEREAS, it appears that it will require funds to complete the year 2020 in certain items of the Otsego County Budget; and

WHEREAS, there are unexpended balances in other items of the 2020 budget year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following transfers and modifications are authorized, and the 2020 budget is hereby amended accordingly, pursuant to Section 363 of the County Law:

<b>2020 BUDGET TRANSFERS</b>				
<b>A- GENERAL FUND</b>				
<b>FROM:</b>	Sales Tax	Contracts	1985-4900-A	(2,634.00)

<b>TO:</b>	Jail	Vehicle Lease	3150-4625-A	2,634.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Sales Tax	Contracts	1985-4900-A	(13,968.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Sheriff	Medical Assistance	3110-4625-A	13,968.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Sales Tax	Contracts	1985-4900-A	(50,000.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Jail	Inmate Boarding	3150-4896-A	50,000.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Sheriff	Training	3110-4050-A	(6,375.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Sheriff	Vehicle Repair	3110-4515-A	6,375.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Jail	Equipment	3150-2000-A	(6,000.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Sheriff	Vehicle Repair	3110-4515-A	6,000.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Jail	Training	3150-4050-A	(7,250.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Sheriff	Vehicle Repair	3110-4515-A	7,250.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Jail	Equipment	3150-2000-A	(20,000.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Jail	Medical Expenses	3150-4895-A	20,000.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Jail	Other	3150-4800-A	(5,000.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Jail	Medical Expenses	3150-4895-A	5,000.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Sales Tax	Contracts	1985-4900-A	(10,000.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Treasurer	Expense on Prty Acquired	1362-4800-A	10,000.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Sales Tax	Contracts	1985-4900-A	(200,000.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Community Colleges	Other	2490-4800-A	200,000.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Sales Tax	Contracts	1985-4900-A	(24,125.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Information Technologies	IT Equipment/Hardware	1680-2335-A	24,125.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Information Technologies	Training	1680-4050-A	(3,000.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Information Technologies	Hardware/Software Maint	1680-4640-A	3,000.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Information Technologies	Contracts	1680-4900-A	(2,000.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Information Technologies	Hardware/Software Maint	1680-4640-A	2,000.00

<b>FROM:</b>	Information Technologies	Training	1680-4050-A	(100.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Information Technologies	Fuel	1680-4560-A	100.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Board of Representatives	Mileage	1010-4005-A	(2,000.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Board of Representatives	Contracts	1010-4900-A	2,000.00
<b>FROM:</b>	DSS	Family Assistance	6109-4730-A	(400,000.00)
<b>TO:</b>	DSS	Child Welfare/Foster Care	6119-4735-A	400,000.00
<b><u>2020 BUDGET MODIFICATIONS</u></b>				
<b>A- GENERAL FUND</b>				
<b>INCREASE:</b>	Mental Health	Systems of Care Grant	0000-4482-A	(100,000.00)
<b>INCREASE:</b>	Mental Health	Family Resource Network	4329-4694-A	100,000.00
<b>DM- MACHINERY FUND</b>				
<b>INCREASE:</b>	Highway	Sale of Equipment	0000-2665-DM	(6,000.00)
<b>INCREASE:</b>	Highway	Maintenance & Repairs	5130-4562-DM	6,000.00
<b>INCREASE:</b>	Highway	Sale of Equipment	0000-2665-DM	(10,000.00)
<b>INCREASE:</b>	Highway	Parts	5130-4540-DM	10,000.00

Seconded, Kennedy. Roll Call vote on Consent Agenda. Total: 6,228. Ayes: 5,694; Vacant: 534- District 6. Adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 349-20201202 (original)

RESOLUTION - ADOPTING OTSEGO COUNTY BUDGET FOR 2021

KENNEDY, MARIETTA, MCCARTY, FRAZIER, MARTINI

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 354 of the County Law, on November 10, 2020, the Budget Officer filed with this Board a tentative budget for 2021, together with the budget message and exemption report; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing on the tentative budget was held on

November 19, 2020 pursuant to Section 359 of the County Law; and

WHEREAS, this Board, on December 2, 2020 examined the tentative budget as filed and made certain changes, alterations and revisions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 360 of the County Law, the budget for the year 2021, as changed, altered and revised, shall be as follows:

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the final budget as set forth above be and hereby is adopted as the 2021 Otsego County Budget.

Seconded, Oliver. Representative Kennedy explained budget changes that were discussed at the full board workshop which were to increase A3110.510000 by \$3,336, increase A1410.510000 by \$1,340, increase A1325.510000 by \$2,864, increase A1680.546420 by \$33,000, decrease A1230.510000 by \$50,000 and decrease appropriated fund balance by \$9,460. Representative Martini moved to amend Resolution 349-20201202 as presented. Seconded, Farwell. Roll call vote to accept the amendment to Resolution 349-20201202. Total: 6,228. Ayes: 4,880; Noes: 814- Frazier, McCarty; Vacant: 534- District 6. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION NO. 349-20201202 (amended)

RESOLUTION - ADOPTING OTSEGO COUNTY BUDGET FOR 2021

KENNEDY, MARIETTA, MCCARTY, FRAZIER, MARTINI

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 354 of the County Law, on November 10, 2020, the Budget Officer filed with this Board a tentative budget for 2021, together with the budget message and exemption report; and

WHEREAS, the public hearing on the tentative budget was held on November 19, 2020 pursuant to Section 359 of the County Law; and

WHEREAS, this Board, on December 2, 2020 examined the tentative budget as filed and made certain changes, alterations and revisions; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 360 of the County Law, the budget for the year 2021, as changed, altered and revised, shall be as follows:

## **INSERT 2021 ADOPTED BUDGET HERE**

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the final budget as set forth above be and hereby is adopted as the 2021 Otsego County Budget.

Roll call vote on Resolution 349-20201202 as amended. Total: 6,228. Ayes: 4,880; Noes: 814- Frazier, McCarty; Vacant: 534- District 6. Adopted.

### RESOLUTION NO. 350-20201202

#### RESOLUTION - MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CONDUCT OF OTSEGO COUNTY GOVERNMENT FOR THE YEAR 2021

KENNEDY, MARIETTA, MCCARTY, FRAZIER, MARTINI

WHEREAS, this Board, by Resolution No. 349 of 2020, has adopted a budget for the fiscal year 2021, pursuant to Section 360 of the County Law; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the several amounts specified in such budget under the column entitled "adopted" be and they hereby are appropriated for the objects and purposes specified, effective January 1, 2021.

Seconded, Oliver. Roll call vote. Total: 6,228. Ayes: 5,694; Vacant: 534- District 6. Adopted.

### RESOLUTION NO. 362-20201202

#### RESOLUTION – FILLING A VACANCY ON THE BOARD OF REPRESENTATIVES OCCURRING BECAUSE OF THE RESIGNATION OF A REPRESENTATIVE

KENNEDY, MARIETTA, MCCARTY, FRAZIER, MARTINI

WHEREAS, Local Law No. 4 of 1976 and Rule No. 6 of the Rules of Order of the Otsego County Board of Representatives provide a procedure should a vacancy occur on the Board of Representatives for reasons other than expiration of term and District 6 Representative Peter Oberacker has resigned effective November 16, 2020; and

WHEREAS, under these circumstances, the Board of Representatives has the authority to fill the vacancy within 30 days by appointment of a resident elector of the district where such vacancy exists; and

WHEREAS, a candidate for such vacancy who is a resident elector of said District was recommended to the Chair by the Otsego County Republican Committee, and the Administration Committee voted to sponsor a resolution of appointment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Jennifer Mickle, a resident elector of District 6 of the County of Otsego, is hereby appointed to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of District 6 Representative Peter Oberacker to hold office until December 31, 2021; and be it further

RESOLVED, that such appointment shall be effective immediately.

Seconded, Martini. Roll call vote. Total: 6,228. Ayes: 4,156; Noes: 1,035- Oliver, Lapin, Basile; Abstain: 503- Farwell; Vacant: 534- District 6. Adopted.

Resolution 356-20201202 was removed from the consent agenda and moved as a late resolution because Public Works Committee approval was not obtained until their meeting this morning.

In the absence of any objections, Resolution 356-20201202 and Late A were presented and acted upon in accordance with the Rules of Order and numbered Resolution No. 365-20201202.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 356-20201202

#### RESOLUTION – CREATING, FUNDING, AND FILLING A CERTAIN POSITION IN BUILDING SERVICES (CLEANER TEMPORARY #0)

KENNEDY, MARIETTA, MCCARTY, FRAZIER, MARTINI

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 174-20200506 established a County wide hiring freeze requiring full Board approval for the filling of positions; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 198-20200520 established a County wide workforce reduction requiring full Board approval for new positions; and

WHEREAS, Building Services had a recent leave of absence which has created a temporary vacancy during the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, after consultation with the Public Works and Administration Committee, it was determined that it is in the best interest of the County to create, fund and authorize to fill this position as requested; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following position is created, funded and authorized to be filled in Building Services, effective December 2, 2020 for a period of up to 90 days from the date of hire:

**Cleaner Temporary (#0), Grade 05P, \$14.4764/hr.**

and be it further

RESOLVED, that the funding for this position is included in the 2020 County Cooperstown Office Building Budget (1625-A) at line 1000 Personal Service; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board be and hereby is authorized and directed to forward a copy of this resolution to the County Treasurer and to the Personnel Officer.

Seconded, Oliver. Roll call vote. Total: 6,228. Ayes: 5,694; Vacant: 534- District 6. Adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 365-20201202

RESOLUTION – TRANSFERRING FUNDS IN  
VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS FOR 2020

KENNEDY, MARIETTA, MCCARTY, FRAZIER, MARTINI

WHEREAS, it appears that it will require funds to complete the year 2020 in certain items of the Otsego County Budget; and

WHEREAS, there are unexpended balances in other items of the 2020 budget year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following transfers are authorized, and the 2020 budget



is hereby amended accordingly, pursuant to Section 363 of the County Law:

<b>2020 BUDGET TRANSFERS</b>				
<b>A- GENERAL FUND</b>				
<b>FROM:</b>	Building Services (Meadows)	Meadows Renovation	1630-4905-A	(3,000.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Building Services (Annex)	Contracts	1626-4900-A	3,000.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Building Services (Meadows)	Meadows Renovation	1630-4905-A	(1,000.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Building Services (Old Jail)	Contracts	1623-4900-A	1,000.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Building Services (Meadows)	Meadows Renovation	1630-4905-A	(700.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Building Services (COB)	Fire Extinguishers	1625-4802-A	700.00
<b>FROM:</b>	Building Services (Old Jail)	Water and Sewer	1623-4565-A	(309.80)
<b>TO:</b>	Building Services (COB)	Water and Sewer	1625-4565-A	309.80
<b>FROM:</b>	Sheriff	Telephone	3110-4100-A	(10,000.00)
<b>TO:</b>	Jail	Food	3150-4525-A	10,000.00

Seconded, Brockway. Roll call vote. Total: 6,228. Ayes: 5,694; Vacant: 534- District 6. Adopted.

LOCAL LAW D OF 2020  
COUNTY OF OTSEGO, NEW YORK

A LOCAL LAW ESTABLISHING THE SALARIES OF PUBLIC DEFENDER (PT), COUNTY AUDITOR/CLERK OF THE BOARD, COUNTY TREASURER, DIRECTOR REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICE II, COUNTY CLERK, COUNTY ATTORNEY, PERSONNEL OFFICER, COMMISSIONER OF ELECTIONS (DEM), SHERIFF, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH, COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF HIGHWAYS, COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SERVICES GROUP I, FOR THE YEAR 2021

BE IT ENACTED, by the Board of Representatives of the County of Otsego as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The salary for Public Defender (PT) is established at an annual sum

not to exceed Eighty Thousand One Hundred Eleven Dollars (\$80,111).

**SECTION 2.** The salary for County Auditor/Clerk of the Board is established at an annual sum not to exceed Fifty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (\$59,175).

**SECTION 3.** The salary for County Treasurer is established at an annual sum not to exceed Seventy-Four Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-One Dollars (\$74,461).

**SECTION 4.** The salary for Director Real Property Tax Service II is established at an annual sum not to exceed Sixty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars (\$67,528).

**SECTION 5.** The salary for County Clerk is established at an annual sum not to exceed Sixty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Forty Dollars (\$68,340).

**SECTION 6.** The salary for County Attorney is established at an annual sum not to exceed Eighty-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$88,650).

**SECTION 7.** The salary for Personnel Officer is established at an annual sum not to exceed Seventy-Two Thousand Five Hundred Nineteen Dollars (\$72,519).

**SECTION 8.** The salary for Commissioner of Elections (Dem) is established at an annual sum not to exceed Forty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars (\$49,438).

**SECTION 9.** The salary for Sheriff is established at an annual sum not to exceed Eighty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars (\$86,728).

**SECTION 10.** The salary for Director of Public Health is established at an annual sum not to exceed Eighty-Four Thousand Fifteen Dollars (\$84,015).

**SECTION 11.** The salary for County Superintendent of Highways is established at an annual sum not to exceed Ninety-One Thousand Eight Hundred Eight-Four Dollars (\$91,884).

**SECTION 12.** The salary for Commissioner of Social Services Group I is established at an annual sum not to exceed Eighty-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Sixty-One Dollars (\$87,561).

**SECTION 13.** This Local Law shall take effect 45 days from enactment.

Offered by: Administration Committee

Seconded, Oliver. Local Law D is held over for a public hearing on Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at 9:45 a.m.

Representative Kennedy motioned to adjourn. Seconded, Oliver. Oral vote. Total: 6,228. Ayes: 5,694; Vacant: 534-District 6. Motion carried.

All the general business of the Board having been transacted, the Board Chair declared the meeting adjourned until Monday, December 14, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.