

A G E N D A
May 10, 2006 5:00 p.m.

Vice-Chairman Barrett called the meeting to order.

Roll call was taken. PRESENT – Raymond F. Callanan, Alan Grattidge, Philip C. Barrett, Anita Daly, Richard Lucia, Mary Ann Johnson, Jean Raymond, George J. Hargrave, Albert Janik, Jeffrey Trottier, Kenneth J. DeCerce, Paul Sausville, Thomas Richardson, Frank Thompson, Harry G. Gutheil, Jr., Willard H. Peck, Richard C. Hunter, Sr., Thomas N. Wood, III, Cheryl Keyrouze, Joanne Dittes Yepsen, J. Gregory Connors, John Lawler, Arthur J. Johnson - 23. ABSENT – 0.

On a motion by Mr. Connors, seconded by Mr. Thompson, the minutes of the meeting of April 12, 2006 were approved unanimously.

County Administrator David Wickerham reviewed the following Agenda items:

PUBLIC SAFETY

Authorizing an increase in amount paid to the Rabies Clinic Clerical Staff for work performed at the monthly clinics from \$25 per clinic to \$40 per clinic. (Dan Butler, Animal Shelter Supervisor)

Mr. Wickerham stated this has not been raised since the 1990's.

Authorizing the Chairman to enter into a contract with NYSTEC to identify radio system frequencies operable under the new design changes in an amount not to exceed \$19,780. (Paul Lent, Emergency Services Director)

Mr. Wickerham said these would be operable under the new design changes.

Authorizing the Chairman to enter into agreements with Jersen Construction for \$800,100 and with Farina Electric, Inc. for \$14,400 for construction and electrical work on the new burn building and amending the budget in relation thereto. (Paul Lent, Emergency Services Director)

Mr. Wickerham stated \$506,500 will be reappropriated.

Authorizing the Chairman to enter into successor agreements with the Towns of Clifton Park and Halfmoon to provide additional law enforcement services at a total cost of \$501,592. (Sheriff Jim Bowen)

Mr. Wickerham said this is for nine additional deputies for Clifton Park and Halfmoon.

Authorizing the Chairman to enter into an amended contract with Intelistaf to increase the weekday hourly rates from \$50 to \$55 per hour for 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., \$54 to \$59 per hour for 11 p.m. to 7 a.m., and weekends from \$54 to \$59 per hour. (Sheriff Jim Bowen)

Authorizing the Chairman to accept an Aid to Defense grant in the amount of \$21,164 for enhanced defensive services designed to expedite the processing of violent and serious felony cases. (John Ciulla, Public Defender)

SOCIAL PROGRAMS

Authorizing the Chairman to accept an additional \$1 million in Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) and amending the budget in relation thereto. (Bob Christopher, Social Services Commissioner)

Mr. Wickerham said this will be used to defray energy costs for the needy.

Amending the budget to appropriate an additional \$421,226 in revenue and expenses to implement the Inter-Governmental Transfer Program. (Bob Christopher, Social Services Commissioner)

Mr. Wickerham said this will add \$842,000 to the Maplewood Manor revenue this year.

PUBLIC HEALTH

Authorizing the Chairman to amend the contract and budget to accept an additional \$38,201 in State aid for Transitional Services Assoc. for supported housing. (Dale Angstadt, Mental Health Director)

Amending the budget under Mental Health to increase revenues and expenses by \$90,000 for employment services provided by Unlimited Potential. (Dale Angstadt, Mental Health Director)

WATER COMMITTEE

Authorizing the Water Project engineers to prepare easements at a cost of \$500 per easement. (Wes Carr, Project Coordinator)

Authorizing a loan of up to \$15 million as the final portion of the financing package for the Water project provided contracts are in place for sale of 3.65 mgd, that funding will be the last piece of the financial package and based on an initial water rate of \$2.05 per thousand gallons. (Wes Carr, Project Coordinator)

Mr. Wickerham stated the loan will be repaid over a 32-year period.

LEGISLATIVE AND RESEARCH

Reiterating the County's support for S 5168 and A 10289 to eliminate State and Local Sales Tax on motor and diesel fuel sales in excess of \$2.00 per gallon. (David Wickerham, County Administrator)

EQUALIZATION AND ASSESSMENT

Authorizing corrections to the tax roll for parcels located in the Towns of Clifton Park and Malta totaling \$12,641.94. (Carol Holley, Real Property Tax Director)

Authorizing the cancellation of taxes on parcels in the Towns of Greenfield and Milton totaling \$2,958.53. (Carol Holley, Real Property Tax Director)

Authorizing tax refunds on parcels in the Towns of Clifton Park (\$3,477.50) and Day (\$351.28). (Carol Holley, Real Property Tax Director)

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Authorizing the Chairman to enter into agreements with General Mechanical Systems, Inc. to replace the air handling system in the County Clerk's vault at a cost not to exceed \$38,290. (Joe Ritchey, Public Works Commissioner)

Mr. Wickerham said this was the lowest bid of five bids.

Authorizing the Chairman to enter into additional agreements with Woodward, Connor, Gillies and Seleman Architects to complete the design phase of the courtyard reconstruction project and prepare the necessary bid documents at a cost not to exceed \$120,900. (Joe Ritchey, Public Works Commissioner)

Authorizing the Chairman to accept an FAA Airport Grant in the amount of \$625,000 to purchase aviation easements on Runway 14-32. (Joe Ritchey, Public Works Commissioner)

Mr. Wickerham stated 97.5% is from the State and Federal governments, and the County's share is \$16,000.

CHAIRMANS' ITEMS

Appointing Christopher Barclay to the County Planning Board to fill the unexpired term of Lorraine Tharp.

Reappointing Robert Hall to the Saratoga County Planning Board for a term to expire on May 31, 2011.

LAW AND FINANCE

Recommending that navigational dredging of the Hudson River/Champlain Canal channel be conducted concurrently with PCB remediation dredging. (George Hodgson, Environmental Management Director)

Mr. Wickerham stated it makes no sense to try to do those things separately.

Authorizing the Chairman to enter into an agreement with DCG Development Co. for the storage of voting machines in an amount not to exceed \$875 per month. (Diane Wade and Bill Fruci, Board of Elections)

Mr. Wickerham said they were the low proposer of two.

Appointing Jason Kemper from the Town of Edinburg as the Saratoga County Planning Director effective June 19, 2006. (David Wickerham, County Administrator)

Mr. Wickerham said this will be based at the salary level of Grade 20.

Vice-Chairman Barrett introduced Jason Kemper who is currently the Planning Director of the Town of Clifton Park. He has done a wonderful job moving the Town forward, he said.

Mr. DeCerce said all Supervisors have before them a recommendation from the PCB Dredging Committee recommending that navigational dredging of the Hudson River/Champlain Canal Channel be conducted concurrently with PCB remediation dredging. Please take this to your boards for support as soon as possible, he urged.

On a motion by Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. DeCerce, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine M. Sodemann

REGULAR SESSION
TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2006
AT 4:00 P.M., D.S.T.

Board called to order by Chairman Gutheil.

Roll call was taken. PRESENT – Raymond F. Callanan, Alan Grattidge, Philip C. Barrett, Anita Daly, Richard Lucia, Mary Ann Johnson, Jean Raymond, George J. Hargrave, Albert Janik, Jeffrey Trottier, Kenneth J. DeCerce, Paul Sausville, Thomas Richardson, Frank Thompson, Harry G. Gutheil, Jr., Willard H. Peck, Richard C. Hunter, Sr., Thomas N. Wood, III, Cheryl Keyrouze, Joanne Dittes Yepsen, John Lawler, Arthur J. Johnson -22. ABSENT - J. Gregory Connors – 1.

The invocation was given by Tom Wood, Chaplain.

PUBLIC INPUT

Wilma Koss, President of the Saratoga Lake Association, thanked the Board for allowing her to come before them today representing the 500 families of the Saratoga Lake Association, some of whom are here with her today. She said the Lake Association has been studying this water issue for over five years and came to the conclusion early on that the County project was the best alternative for quality affordable water for the region. We thank Congressman Sweeney and Senator Bruno for their unwavering support and the County Board of Supervisors for their courage and vision, she said. We hope today's vote will lay to rest once and for all the questions about how the County will pay for its system. She encouraged every Supervisor sitting here to vote for this resolution for the following reasons: Clean, affordable water is as important as food and shelter or open space. At this time, there may only be three towns that have committed to becoming customers of the County plan, but for the same reasons our government supports social programs that most of us will never use. The County has an obligation to see to it that its towns and cities have clean affordable water.

Mrs. Koss stated the Hudson River project will benefit every town and city in the County.

- Obviously, it will benefit those towns that need water by bringing them high quality, affordable water.
- It will benefit towns that don't need the water through increasing sales tax revenues that are the natural result of more jobs, better pay and sustained growth.
- It will benefit the City of Mechanicville because its proximity to the Luther Forest Technology Park will bring new jobs and new residents to the city and the upgraded water treatment plant could put them into a position to be a contender for a second source of water for any high tech plant that might locate in the Park.

Mrs. Koss said although the current administration does not see it, it will probably benefit the City of Saratoga Springs the most in addition to bringing a new customer base to the city's tourist industry and providing more jobs and better paying jobs to the area. The County project benefits the city by providing a completely redundant water system at minimal cost to the city. It benefits the city by cost avoidance making it unnecessary to build a \$25 million system. She stated the 0% interest loan that the County may have to extend will be less expensive to city residents than the \$1.5 million/yr debt the city's lake plan will be imposing on its residents. If the city builds its own water system, city residents could pay as much as \$62/1,000 gal. because of the small quantity required to supplement their existing water source. All of a sudden, \$2.05/1,000 sounds like a bargain, she said. She requested every Supervisor here today vote for this financial plan today that takes into account the upside gain and the downside risk.

On a motion by Mr. Thompson, seconded by Mr. Peck, the minutes of the meetings of March 21 and April 18, 2006 were approved by a unanimous vote.

The Clerk presented the following:

Letter of resignation from Sgt. Robert F. VanBramer, of the Waterford Police Department, from the Saratoga County Traffic Safety Board.

Received and filed.

Correspondence from the Commissioner of the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets certifying the inclusion of predominantly viable agricultural land as proposed in Saratoga County Agricultural Districts No. 1 and No. 2.

Received and filed.

Copy of a resolution adopted by the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators "Supporting U.S. House of Representatives Bill H.R. 1405 Amending the Internal Revenue Code of 1986."

Referred to Supervisor A. Johnson and the County Administrator.

REPORTS:

Saratoga County IDA Financial Report/Audit: FY 2005.

Received and filed.

Annual Financial Report of Saratoga County for 2005.

Received and filed.

REPORT NO. 5-06

MORTGAGE TAX REPORT

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Saratoga County:

The following is a report of the Mortgage Tax collected and to be distributed to Cities, Towns and Villages; and the County Treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to pay such amounts.

Amount in the hands of the County Treasurer for distribution in County after adjustments, deduction of expenses and payments of State's share is \$6,261,561.36 distributed to Cities, Towns and Villages as follows:

Ballston	\$236,781.50
Ballston Spa (Ball)	8,389.55
Milton	299,936.45
Ballston Spa (Milton)	36,270.69
Charlton	85,430.09
Clifton Park	1,008,387.54
Corinth	85,178.78
Village of Corinth	28,292.02
Day	23,676.61
Edinburg	49,893.64
Galway	67,600.03
Village of Galway	1,265.22
Greenfield	188,187.51
Hadley	314,570.82
Halfmoon	665,952.41
Malta	534,881.49
Village of Round Lake	10,415.07
City of Mechanicville	50,281.77
Moreau	509,312.33
Vill. of So. Glens Falls	64,623.40
Northumberland	109,582.32
Providence	38,727.73
Saratoga	120,408.39

Village of Schuylerville	9,757.93
Village of Victory	3,420.78
City of Sara. Spgs.	925,618.99
Stillwater	191,863.80
Village of Stillwater	13,790.44
Waterford	127,311.80
Village of Waterford	7,057.95
Wilton	444,694.31
TOTAL	\$6,261,561.36

Barbara J. Plummer, Clerk,
Board of Supervisors, Saratoga County, New York

On a motion by Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Lucia, Report No. 5 was approved by a unanimous vote.

Mr. DeCerce stated material was placed on all Supervisors desks inviting them to Cooperative Extension’s annual barbecue that will be held June 20th after the Board Meeting.

Mr. Trottier stated Vietnam Moving Wall posters were placed in each Supervisor’s mailbox. Right now, we are looking for Supervisors to read names, if possible. Please see Kate Jeanson to schedule that. He said we now have well over 300 active volunteers for this event. I hope to see everyone there June 8th at 6:00 p.m., he said.

Mr. Peck, as Chairman of the Land Preservation Committee, reminded everyone that Thursday night begins the second round of community meetings. Starting Thursday, a meeting will be held in Moreau, and then three more are scheduled in regional parts of the County. There should be a calendar of these meetings in each Supervisor’s mailbox, he said.

Mr. DeCerce pointed out Resolution 137 has been changed from the previous copy he distributed because there was an error on the first Resolved paragraph.

On a motion by Mr. Callanan, seconded by Mr. Barrett, Rule 8 was suspended for the balance of the day on Resolution Nos. 118 through 141 by a unanimous vote.

On a motion by Mr. Hargrave, seconded by Mr. Barrett, all resolutions were adopted unanimously with the exception of Resolution 131.

RESOLUTION 118 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Barrett, DeCerce, Hargrave, A. Johnson, M. Johnson, Peck and Wood

APPOINTING JASON KEMPER AS THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

WHEREAS, Resolution 47-61 established our County Planning Department; and

WHEREAS, the recent retirement of Larry Benton created a vacancy in the position of Director of Planning; and

WHEREAS, a search committee received and reviewed thirty employment applications; and

WHEREAS, three applicants were interviewed and a report thereof was duly made to our Law and Finance Committee; and

WHEREAS, Jason Kemper has been recommended as the County’s fourth Director succeeding Larry Benton, Larry Gordon and John Richards; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that effective June 19, 2006, Jason Kemper, 217 Northville Road, Edinburg, New York, is appointed as Director of Planning.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: Monies associated with this action are within the 2006 budget.

RESOLUTION 119 - 06

Introduced by Supervisor Gutheil

APPOINTING MEMBERS TO COUNTY PLANNING BOARD

WHEREAS, Resolution 48-61, as amended by Resolutions 74-65 and 56-73, established the County Planning Board; and

WHEREAS, a vacancy currently exists due to the resignation of Lorraine Power Tharp; and

WHEREAS, the term of Robert Hall has expired; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following people are appointed as members of the County Planning Board for the stated term:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Municipality</u>	<u>Term/Expires</u>
Christopher G. Barclay	Malta	5/31/08

2584 Route 9
Malta, NY 12020

Robert Hall
104 Chapman Hill Road
Saratoga Springs, NY 12020

Saratoga

5/31/10

RESOLUTION 120 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Lawler, Barrett, Connors, Grattidge, Janik, M. Johnson and Trottier

AUTHORIZING COMPENSATION OF \$40 PER CLINIC FOR INDIVIDUALS ASSISTING RABIES CLINICS

WHEREAS, in conducting periodic rabies clinics, our Animal Shelter engages the services of individuals to assist in administering rabies vaccine; and

WHEREAS, these individuals have for many years been paid the sum of \$25 per clinic for their services, and an increase in that pay rate to \$40 per clinic is warranted; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the rate of compensation of individuals assisting the Saratoga County Animal Shelter at rabies clinics shall be the sum of \$40 per clinic.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: None. The additional \$720 is available in the 2006 budget.

RESOLUTION 121 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Lawler, Barrett, Connors, Grattidge, Janik, M. Johnson and Trottier

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT WITH NYSTEC TO IDENTIFY NEEDED RADIO FREQUENCIES FOR EMERGENCY RADIO COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM

WHEREAS, by Resolution 17 of 1999, this Board of Supervisors authorized the design and construction of a new emergency radio system for the County of Saratoga; and

WHEREAS, in connection with possible modifications of the system as presently designed it is necessary to identify radio frequencies which will accommodate the proposed design modifications; and

WHEREAS, our Emergency Services Director and Public Safety Committee recommend that NYSTEC be engaged to provide consultant services in identifying these radio frequencies; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is authorized to execute an agreement with New York State Technology Enterprises Corporation (NYSTEC) of 52 Geiger Road in Rome, New York for professional engineering consultant services to identify radio frequencies needed for modifications to the design of the county emergency radio communications system, at a cost not to exceed \$19,780, the form and substance of said agreement subject to the approval of the County Attorney and the Contract Administrator.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: Funds are available in Radio System Capital Fund.

RESOLUTION 122 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Lawler, Barrett, Connors, Grattidge, Janik, M. Johnson and Trottier

AUTHORIZING AGREEMENTS WITH JERSEN CONSTRUCTION AND FARINA ELECTRIC, INC. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND ELECTRICAL WORK OF THE NEW BURN BUILDING AND AMENDING THE 2006 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the availability of a top quality training facility is necessary to assist our volunteer and paid firefighters in obtaining the knowledge and skill in fire fighting techniques to enable them to carry out their crucial role in protecting our communities and residents from fire losses; and

WHEREAS, four bids were solicited for professional services for construction and three bids were solicited for the electrical work for our Fire Training Facility on County Farm Road; and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee has recommended that the proposals of Jersen Construction and Farina Electric, Inc. be accepted for the construction and electrical work of the new burn building; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is authorized to execute a contract with Jersen Construction of 6 Industry Drive, Waterford, New York for the construction of a burn building at the Fire Training Center at a cost not to exceed \$800,100 and a contract with Farina Electric, Inc. of 100 Williams Street, Mechanicville, New York at a cost not to exceed \$14,400 for the electrical work, the form and substance of the contracts subject to the approval of the County Attorney and Contract Administrator; now, therefore, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2006 Saratoga County Budget is amended as follows; now, therefore, be it

EMERGENCY SERVICES/FIRE TRAINING

TRANSFER:

FROM: 1-14-999-9000 Contingency	\$308,000
TO: 1-36-363-7093 Building Cost	\$308,000

APPROPRIATIONS:

Increase Acct. #1-36-363-7093 Building Cost	\$506,500
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REVENUES:

Increase Acct. #1-0599.M Appropriated Fund Bal.	\$506,500
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BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: This will require the reappropriation of \$506,500 and the transfer of \$308,000 from contingency.

RESOLUTION 123 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Lawler, Barrett, Connors, Grattidge, Janik, M. Johnson and Trotter

AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS FOR POLICE SERVICES WITH CLIFTON PARK AND HALFMOON

WHEREAS, Resolution 226-04 last authorized contracts with the Town of Clifton Park and the Town of Halfmoon for additional police services to be provided by the Sheriff's Department; and

WHEREAS, the Towns wish to extend those contracts; and

WHEREAS, the proposed contracts in each case include reimbursement by the Towns for all County expenses including salaries, benefits, training, all transportation expenses and patrol cars; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is authorized to execute the following contracts with the Towns of Halfmoon and Clifton Park for the indicated police services and for the sums indicated, the form and substance of such contracts subject to the approval of the County Attorney:

<u>CONTRACT WITH</u>	<u>TIME OF SERVICES</u>	<u>PLACE OF SERVICES</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Clifton Park	Mon-Sun 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.- 12:00 a.m. 5 days a week 12:00 a.m. - 3.00 a.m.	entire Town of Clifton Park	\$177,592.00 per year
Clifton Park	Mon-Sun 6:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m.	entire Town of Clifton Park	\$162,000.00
Halfmoon and Clifton Park	Mon-Sun 6:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m.	entire Towns of Halfmoon and	\$162,000.00 (to be divided Clifton Park equally between the towns)

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: None. The cost of these services will be paid for by the towns.

RESOLUTION 124 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Lawler, Barrett, Connors, Grattidge, Janik, M. Johnson and Trottier

AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT FOR NURSING SERVICES AT THE COUNTY JAIL

WHEREAS, the proper operation of the Saratoga County Correctional Facility requires round the clock staffing with qualified nursing personnel; and

WHEREAS, IntelliStaf Healthcare has a contract to supply nursing services to the Facility; and

WHEREAS, IntelliStaf Healthcare has requested an increase in their hourly rate; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff and the Public Safety Committee recommend that Saratoga County amend the contract for the services; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is authorized to execute an amended contract with the following agency to provide nursing services at the Saratoga County Correctional Facility at the rates indicated, the form and substance of said contracts subject to the approval of the County Attorney and the Contract Administrator:

PROVIDER	WEEK DAY	WEEKEND	
	SHIFT	RATES	RATES
INTELISTAF HEALTH CARE 1 Pinnacle Pl., Suite 206 Albany, NY 12203	7 a.m.- 3 p.m.	\$55/hr.	\$59/hr.
	3 p.m.-11 p.m.	\$55/hr.	\$59/hr.
	11 p.m.-7 a.m.	\$59/hr.	\$59/hr.

Holidays at 1½ times the above rate

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: None. Funds are available in the 2006 budget.

RESOLUTION 125 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Lawler, Barrett, Connors, Grattidge, Janik, M. Johnson and Trottier

ACCEPTING AN AID TO DEFENSE GRANT FOR THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, the State has offered an Aid to Defense Grant for the Public Defenders Office; and

WHEREAS, the State requests County approval of their grant for the 2006-2007 fiscal year; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board of Supervisors and/or the County Administrator is authorized, on behalf of the office of the Public Defender, to execute all necessary documents with the State Division of Criminal Justice Services for the acceptance of Aid to Defense grant in the amount of \$21,164, the form and content of such documents being subject to the approval of the County Attorney.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: None. 100% State Aid.

RESOLUTION 126 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Hargrave, Barrett, Callanan, Grattidge, Keyrouze, Lucia and Yepsen

AMENDING THE 2006 SARATOGA COUNTY BUDGET TO ACCEPT ADDITIONAL FEDERAL AID FOR THE HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, additional Federal funds have been made available to supplement amounts paid to qualified households under the Home Energy Assistance Program to compensate for the unexpected steep increase in home heating fuel costs during the last winter; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the 2006 Saratoga County Budget is amended as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES:

Appropriations:

Increase Acct.: #1-60-609-7601 BICS Payments	\$1,000,000
Revenues:	
Increase Acct.: #1-60-4641 HEAP Federal Aid	\$1,000,000

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: None. 100% Federal Aid.

RESOLUTION 127 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Hargrave, Barrett, Callanan, Grattidge, Keyrouze, Lucia and Yepsen

AMENDING THE COUNTY BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE \$421,266 IN REVENUES AND EXPENSES TO IMPLEMENT THE IGT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Saratoga County is eligible to participate in the Medicaid Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT) program for the 2005-2006 State fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the County will be receiving \$421,266 in funds under the IGT program, for which an appropriate amendment to the County budget must be made; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the 2006 Saratoga County Budget is amended as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES:

Revenues:

Increase Acct.#1-60-612-7604 Intergovernmental Transfer \$421,266

Appropriations:

Increase Acct.#1-0599.M App Fund Balance \$421,266

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: The net result of the IGT will be \$842,452 in additional revenue for Maplewood Manor.

RESOLUTION 128 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Daly, Callanan, Connors, Lucia, Raymond, Richardson and Thompson

AMENDING MENTAL HEALTH CONTRACT AND 2006 BUDGET TO ACCEPT ADDITIONAL STATE FUNDS

WHEREAS, Resolution 28-96, as amended by Resolution 41-97, authorized ongoing contracts for mental health services, subject to annual appropriations, with various agencies; and

WHEREAS, additional funds are available from the New York State Office of Mental Health; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the current contract with the following agency and the 2006 Budget is necessary to accept these funds; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is authorized to execute an amended contract with the following agency to provide for the indicated increase in funding for their services:

<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>	<u>REVISED TOTAL</u>	<u>FUNDING LINE</u>
Transitional Services Association	\$32,801	\$1,476,760	NYS OMH (CSS) - \$145,244
			NYS OMH (CSS-Psych-Social) - \$6,552
			NYS OMH (ICM) - \$18,989
			NYS OMH (ICM Adult) - \$35,558
			NYS OMH (ICM Youth) - \$25,091
			NYS OMH (Supported Housing)
			\$155,374
			NYS OMH (Reinvestment) - \$591,021
			NYS OMH (Kendra's Law) - \$31,157
			NYS OMH (New Initiatives) - \$227,957

NYS OASAS - \$239,817

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2006 County Budget is amended as follows:

MENTAL HEALTH:

Appropriations:

Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8726.200 (Transitional Services SH) \$32,801

Revenue:

Increase Acct. #1-43-3469 (MH-Supported Housing) \$32,801

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the form and content of such contract being subject to the approval of the County Attorney and Contract Administrator.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: None. 100% State Aid.

RESOLUTION 129 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Daly, Callanan, Connors, Lucia, Raymond, Richardson and Thompson

AMENDING MENTAL HEALTH 2006 BUDGET

WHEREAS, additional funds are available from the State of New York for the provision of employment services for mentally disabled persons; and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the 2006 Budget is needed to receive these funds; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the 2006 County Budget is amended as follows:

MENTAL HEALTH:

Appropriations:

Increase Acct. #1-43-441-8727.040 (UP Innovative Job Rehab) \$90,000

Revenue:

Increase Acct. #1-43-1620 (MH-Fees) \$90,000

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: None. 100% State Aid.

RESOLUTION 130 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Callanan, Connors, Daly, A. Johnson, Sausville, Thompson and Wood

AUTHORIZING PREPARATION OF PERMANENT AND TEMPORARY EASEMENT DOCUMENTS FOR THE WATER PROJECT

WHEREAS, by Resolution 155-04, this Board of Supervisors authorized a contract with Malcolm Pirnie, Inc. to provide consultant services for the Design Phase of a county-wide water system, after soliciting proposals for such work from qualified engineering firms; and

WHEREAS, said contract provides for the preparation of permanent easement documents at a cost of \$560 per easement, and temporary easement documents, at a cost of \$150 per easement, upon authorization by this Board; and

WHEREAS, in the event this Board decides to undertake the county-wide water project after completion of required reviews, easements will be necessary for the construction of the system; and

WHEREAS, significant delays will be experienced due to the time required to prepare easement documents, which delays can be avoided by authorizing the preparation of these documents at this time; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Malcolm Pirnie, Inc. is hereby authorized and directed to prepare documents for 147 permanent easements at a cost of \$560 per easement and documents for 28 temporary easements at a cost of \$150 per easement, for a total cost not to exceed \$86,520, pursuant to the terms of the contract between Saratoga county and Malcolm Pirnie, Inc. dated October 27, 2004.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: None. The \$86,520 cost of the preparation of easements is included in the Water Project budget.

Ms. Daly moved to adopt Res. 131. Mr. Callanan seconded.

Discussion on Resolution 131:

Ms. Keyrouze stated the following:

“Mr. Chairman, fellow Supervisors:

“As I am sure, it comes as no surprise to any of my fellow Board members that I am not in favor of this Countywide Hudson River Water Plan for numerous reasons. Now I have another reason included in the present resolution that is up for a vote today.

“I cannot vote for a resolution to borrow 15 million dollars for the largest financial decision that Saratoga County has ever voted on for the following, most recent reasons:

“1. As a total Board of Supervisors voting to use half of the County’s surplus, we owe it to our constituents to let them know we are using their taxes in millions of dollars of lost interest in which most of these constituents will never benefit. Only three towns have verbally agreed to sign on for this plan – Clifton Park, the Town of Ballston and the Town of Wilton. The lost interest is on the total surplus amount not just the 15 million dollars that is being borrowed. The County Board is voting on irresponsibly depleting the surplus by half in these financially unpredictable times. It is this Board’s ethical responsibility to have a public hearing to at least let their constituents speak out about how you plan to use their money – whether they will benefit or not.

“2. I could not vote on a resolution that includes a gentleman’s agreement without signed contracts. The three towns who have verbally agreed to use the Hudson Rive water should supply signed contracts before this vote takes place.

“3. I would also note that within this resolution, it should be stated that no single town unto itself should hold the majority number of people on the Water Authority Board.

“4. It is my belief that if a compromise must be made, the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors, in an effort to supply water to the Luther Forest Tech Park, should pipe the water in from the Town of Stillwater at a quarter of the price it will cost coming from the Town of Moreau. This is the difference between 7 and 28 miles. As you know, during our meeting with Senator Joe Bruno, when told, even he was shaking his head over the difference in cost and time of an alternate plan. And I quote, ‘At 2 million dollars a mile? That is a significant amount of taxpayers’ money.’

“With these four points I have made, I would like to make a motion to table this resolution.”

Ms. Yepsen seconded. The motion to table Res. 131 failed by the following vote: AYES - Ms. Keyrouze 13,093; Ms. Yepsen 13,093. NOES - Mr. Barrett 16,555; Mr. Callanan 8,729; Ms. Daly 16,555; Mr. DeCerco 18,359; Mr. Grattidge 3,954; Mr. Gutheil 13,549; Mr. Hargrave 3,589; Mr. Hunter 1,841; Mr. Janik 7,362; Mr. Johnson 12,541; Mrs. Johnson 920; Mr. Lawler 8,515; Mr. Lucia 6,259; Mr. Peck 4,603; Ms. Raymond 1,384; Mr. Richardson 5,019; Mr. Sausville 13,005; Mr. Thompson 17,103; Mr. Trottier 1,971; Mr. Wood 5,114. ABSENT - Mr. Connors 7,522.

Ms. Yepsen said today isn’t a vote for or against the water project. It is a vote for what the appropriate use is for the County taxpayers’ surplus dollars. She said it is important to be both clear and transparent in our discussions today in the way this decision is explained to the public. While this transfer of funds is being referred to as a loan, what we’re really talking about here is a pass. Whether the transfer is entirely or partially interest free, it is nonetheless an expenditure of taxpayer money rather than a loan, she said. It is just the same as if we raised everyone’s taxes to pay for the water system, except that we just never told them what their tax money would be used for, she stated. We, the County, don’t even borrow for ourselves at zero percent. I am afraid this proposal is

even worse than normal tax, because only three municipalities have indicated they will take the County water. What this proposal really does is levy a tax on every County taxpayer to pay for a system that only benefits those three communities. Several constituents asked me if this was just the same as writing a check for \$2,000 to every taxpayer in Clifton Park, she said. I question whether the County should be in this type of transaction at all. The County is not a bank. If the County wants to go into the lending business, let's allow County residents to have input into what we should lend the money for, she added. If I had known the surplus was available for loans or other uses, I could have come up with a number of uses for the funds starting with property tax relief for County residents. Or how about funding the County's Green Infrastructure Plan that's going to need millions of dollars. She stated she has a copy of a resolution in opposition to the surplus transfer passed by the Saratoga Springs City Council in response to the outcry of City residents in opposition about this loan.

Mr. Callanan stated we have been working on this project for about three years, and it was the insight of this Board that put us on track to do this major economic development project. I applaud your decision then, and I applaud your decision now with this vote to go forward, he stated. He said if you read this resolution, the County is not writing a check for \$15 million. There are a lot of caveats attached to this that we have to do a lot of work on. It is my hope that the \$15 million never is loaned to the Water Authority, but we may need this to go forward to show our partners, Senator Bruno and Congressman Sweeney, that we are sincere and dedicated to this project. He urged everyone to support this resolution.

Mr. Lawler stated over the past year, he and a good number of other Supervisors of this Board have repeatedly expressed concerns regarding this project moving forward without the presentation of a solid and detailed comprehensive financial plan that would address where the funds would come from to construct this project. And as importantly, where the revenues would come from to repay loans that would be required to move the project forward. Getting to this point has been very difficult, he said. Nobody was more insistent that I that a financial plan be presented, he said. A number of difficult issues, especially regarding a financial plan, have been addressed and dealt with in numerous Board and committee meetings. As a result of these discussions, with considerable compromise, and innovation by all parties involved, I am very comfortable that the concerns regarding the financial aspects of this project have been adequately addressed, he stated. He said this was a difficult process this Board came through. We worked together; we came together and arrived at a compromised solution that protects the interests of all parties involved. He stated whether it is a case of providing the three towns that need the water with affordable clean water, providing water for potential future economic development, and as importantly, protecting the taxpayers of this County from this project becoming an unreasonable burden on them. All of those issues have been adequately addressed, he said.

Mr. Lawler stated the compromised financial plan is a win/win solution. The three towns will have the water sources they need, and the taxpayers of our County are protected, he said. He said he wanted to thank Congressman Sweeney, Senator Bruno, and Senator Bruno's staff who lent us so much of their expertise to get us to this point of compromise. As I said earlier in my remarks, no one was more insistent that a financial plan be presented. We have a financial plan before us that I am comfortable with, and I can say that as the critic of the financial plans that have been put forth earlier, he said. This plan represents a win/win for the people of Saratoga County, he stated. He said this resolution requires that firm commitments be in place for 3.65 million gallons of water per day before one dollar of surplus monies are spent on this project. With the revenue generated from the 3.65 million dollars, there will be adequate funds to repay this loan, and therefore, repay the taxpayers of this County, he said. He pointed out there is still a little bit of risk associated with this, but, as the primary critic of earlier financial plans, the risk here is much lower than the risk we face if we don't move forward. This is a good plan. I commend the committee for it, and I urge my fellow Supervisors to support it, he said.

Chairman Gutheil thanked Mr. Lawler for his input over more than a year. It was questions of due diligence that you raised that helped to make this a better project, he said.

Resolution 131 was adopted by the following vote: AYES - Mr. Barrett 16,555; Mr. Callanan 8,729; Ms. Daly 16,555; Mr. DeCerco 18,359; Mr. Grattidge 3,954; Mr. Gutheil 13,549; Mr. Hargrave 3,589; Mr. Hunter 1,841; Mr. Johnson 12,541; Mrs. Johnson 920; Mr. Lawler 8,515; Mr. Lucia 6,259; Mr. Peck 4,603; Ms. Raymond 1,384; Mr. Richardson 5,019; Mr. Sausville 13,005; Mr. Thompson 17,103; Mr. Trottier 1,971; Mr. Wood 5,114 – 159,565. NOES - Mr. Janik 7,362; Ms. Keyrouze 13,093; Ms. Yepsen 13,093 – 33,548. ABSENT - Mr. Connors 7,522.

Ms. Keyrouze read a resolution that the Saratoga Springs City Council requested her to read which opposes the recommendation of the County's Law & Finance Committee to make a 10 year \$15 million interest free loan from taxpayer funds to the Saratoga County Water Authority to support the proposed Hudson River Water Supply Project; and urging the County Board of Supervisors to reject this recommendation and to comply with the strict requirements of SEQRA by deferring decision making on the project and funding until it has heard comments from the public and completed the required public review process; and to defer any decision on the project and funding until such time as it can demonstrate to the public that it has sufficient user commitments to support the over \$100 million project; and urging the Board to defer any decision on the interest free \$15 million loan until such time as it has consulted with Saratoga County communities and taxpayers to confirm that this the best use of the sorely needed taxpayer funds which are held in trust for the benefit of the residents of the County.

Mr. Lawler said he appreciates Ms. Keyrouze's efforts to bring the City Council's opinion to our attention. I find it somewhat disingenuous to be lectured by the Saratoga Springs City Council to provide a fiduciary responsibility. It should be noted these are some of the same people who voted to take themselves out of the Saratoga County Sales Tax program. They certainly showed much less regard for their taxpayers at that point, he stated. He said we believe we are taking a good step here, and nobody has been more critical of the financing of the project than I have, he added. I do find it disingenuous to get a lecture from people who are now costing their residents a little over \$1 million a year from a poor decision that they made. So, time will tell, he stated.

RESOLUTION 131 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Callanan, Connors, Daly, A. Johnson, Sausville, Thompson and Wood

AUTHORIZING LOAN OF UP TO \$15 MILLION TO THE SARATOGA WATER AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, by Resolution 128-02, this Board of Supervisors recognized the need for and benefits of a county wide water system and endorsed the concept of the construction of a county wide system including a water treatment facility obtaining water from the upper Hudson River and transmitting water through a pipe line to communities and areas in need of a safe and reliable water supply; and

WHEREAS, by Resolutions 221-02, 89-03, 38-04 and 102-04 funds were authorized to evaluate and design a water system, and to conduct a review of the environmental impact of the construction of such a system; and

WHEREAS, the design of a water system and the environmental review are nearing completion, and upon such completion, this Board will be in a position to decide whether to construct a county wide water system; and

WHEREAS, the Water Committee, acting as the Saratoga County Water Agency, has recommended that the proposed county wide water system be constructed and administered by the Saratoga County Water Authority; and

WHEREAS, the means and method of financing the cost of construction of a county wide water system and its operation and maintenance must be arranged in order to make a decision of whether to proceed; and

WHEREAS, the Water Committee has formulated a plan to finance the cost of construction of the county wide water system which includes grants from New York State and the United States Government, a loan from the New York State Pipeline for Jobs Program, the issuance of bonds by the Saratoga County Water Authority, and a loan of up to \$15 million to the Authority by Saratoga County; and

WHEREAS, the said financial plan is premised on the existence of contracts between the Authority and users of the water for total of a minimum of 3.65 million gallons of water per day to be paid for at a price commencing at \$2.05 per thousand gallons; and

WHEREAS, participation by the County of Saratoga in the financing plan for the county wide water system by making a loan of up to \$15 million is in the best interest of the residents of Saratoga County by making it possible to make available a plentiful and safe supply of domestic water for public use; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that in the event this Board of Supervisors shall decide to go ahead with the construction of a county wide water system, the Chair of the Board is authorized to sign any and all documents necessary for a loan of up to \$15 million dollars to the Saratoga County Water Authority for the cost of a county wide water system, upon the following conditions:

1. That the Authority have binding 10 year contracts for the sale of no less than 3.65 million gallons of water per day, at a price to start at no more than \$2.05 per thousand gallons;
2. That sufficient other sources of funding be obtained and secured by the Authority such that the moneys loaned pursuant to this Resolution shall be the last source of funding needed to pay the cost of the water system;

3. That the funds be repaid by the Authority at no interest to commence in the year 2012, and, to continue over a period of up to thirty-two years, depending on the level of income of the Authority;
4. That the form and substance of said documents be subject to the approval of the County Attorney and in accordance with the financial plan of the Water Committee, attached hereto and made a part hereof.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: The loan will be repaid over a period of up to 32 years.

RESOLUTION 132 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors A. Johnson, Connors, Daly, Peck, Raymond, Sausville and Trottier

SUPPORTING SENATE BILL S5168 AND ASSEMBLY BILL 10289 TO CAP STATE AND LOCAL SALES TAX ON MOTOR FUEL AND DIESEL MOTOR FUEL AT A TAXABLE VALUE OF \$2.00 PER GALLON

WHEREAS, the significant nationwide increase in the retail price of motor fuel and diesel motor fuel this year has resulted in the State of New York and its localities receiving an unexpected windfall from fuel sales tax revenues; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to reduce the high cost of motor fuel, and to provide tax relief to fuel consumers, the State Senate is considering Senate Bill S5168 and the Assembly is considering Assembly Bill 10289 which provide for a state and local sales tax exemption on motor fuel and diesel motor fuel for that portion of sales tax receipts in excess of two dollars per gallon; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the average consumer will experience savings of six to eleven cents per gallon if these Bills are passed into law; and

WHEREAS, this Board supports consumer fuel tax relief provided it is done in a fiscally responsible manner; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors emphatically supports the passage of Senate Bill S5168 and Assembly Bill 10289, and approval by the Governor, in order to provide Saratoga County consumers some relief from the high cost of motor fuel and diesel motor fuel as deemed fiscally advisable by this Board; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board forward a certified copy of this Resolution to Governor George Pataki, Senator Joseph Bruno, Senator Hugh T. Farley, Assemblyman Sheldon Silver, Assemblyman James N. Tedisco, Assemblyman Robert Reilly, Assemblyman Ronald Canastrari, Assemblyman Teresa R. Sayward and Assemblyman Roy J. McDonald.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: None. If the legislation is enacted, Saratoga County will have the option of eliminating the County portion of the sales tax as well.

RESOLUTION 133 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors M. Johnson, Grattidge, Hargrave, Hunter, Janik, Richardson and Thompson

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GENERAL MECHANICAL SYSTEMS, INC. TO REPLACE THE AIR HANDLER SYSTEM IN THE COUNTY CLERK'S VAULT

WHEREAS, the air handler system in the County Clerk's Office vault is in need of replacement; and

WHEREAS, the Buildings and Grounds Committee have solicited and entertained competitive bids for the replacement of the air handling system, and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that a contract for such services be awarded to General Mechanical Systems, Inc.; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is authorized to execute a contract with General Mechanical Systems, Inc. of Latham, New York, for replacement of the air handling system in the County Clerk's Office vault at a cost not to exceed \$38,290, the form and content of said contract being subject to the approvals of the Contract Administrator and the County Attorney.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: None. Funds are already included in the Building and Grounds budget.

RESOLUTION 134 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors M. Johnson, Grattidge, Hargrave, Hunter, Janik, Richardson and Thompson

AUTHORIZING AN ADDITIONAL AGREEMENT WITH WOODWARD, CONNOR, GILLIES AND SELEMAN ARCHITECTS, P.C. TO COMPLETE THE COURTYARD DESIGN PHASE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT

WHEREAS, Resolution 160-05 authorized an agreement with Woodward, Connor, Gillies and Seleman Architects, P.C. to study the feasibility of creating more usable space at the County complex; and

WHEREAS, an additional agreement is needed to complete the design phase of the courtyard reconstruction project and prepare the necessary bid documents; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is authorized to execute an additional agreement with Woodward, Connor, Gillies and Seleman Architects, P.C. of Albany, New York to complete the design phase of the courtyard reconstruction project and prepare the necessary bid documents for a sum not to exceed \$120,900, the form and substance of such contract amendment being subject to the approval of the County Attorney and the Contract Administrator.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: Funds are available in the Buildings capital account.

RESOLUTION 135 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors M. Johnson, Grattidge, Hargrave, Hunter, Janik, Richardson and Thompson

AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH EDWARDS & KELCEY TO PROVIDE CONSULTING SERVICES NEEDED TO ACQUIRE LAND AND/OR AVIGATION EASEMENTS FOR APPROACHES TO THE COUNTY AIRPORT UNDER FAA GRANT

WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration has offered an airport improvement grant to Saratoga County for the acquisition of land and/or avigation easements for approaches to Runway 14-32 at the County Airport; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Public Works and the Buildings and Grounds Committee recommend that Edwards and Kelcey, Consulting Engineers, be retained for consulting services related to this project; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is authorized to execute an agreement with Edwards and Kelcey, Consulting Engineers, of Saratoga Springs, for consulting services needed to acquire land and/or avigation easements for approaches to the Saratoga County Airport, at a cost not to exceed \$180,000, the form and substance of said agreement subject to the approval of the County Attorney and the Contract Administrator.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.

RESOLUTION 136 - 06

Introduced by M. Johnson, Grattidge, Hargrave, Hunter, Janik, Richardson and Thompson

AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT FROM THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (FAA) TO ACQUIRE LAND/EASEMENTS IN THE APPROACHES TO RUNWAY 14-32 AT THE SARATOGA COUNTY AIRPORT

WHEREAS, obstructions to the approaches to Runway 14-32 have been identified at the Saratoga County Airport, and

WHEREAS, the these obstructions are a safety hazard to aircraft using the airport, and

WHEREAS, these obstructions exist on property adjacent or in near proximity to the county airport, and

WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration recommends the removal of such obstructions, and

WHEREAS, an FAA grant is available in the amount of \$ 625,000 for the purpose of acquiring land/easements adjacent to the Saratoga County Airport, and

WHEREAS, the acceptance of this grant requires our approval; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board execute all documents necessary to apply for and accept an FAA grant in the amount of \$ 625,000 for the purpose of acquiring land/Easements in the approaches to Runway 14-32 at the County Airport.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: The total project cost of acquiring the land/easements is \$657,895 and the County Share is \$16,448.

RESOLUTION 137 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Barrett, DeCerco, Hargrave, A. Johnson, M. Johnson, Peck and Wood

RECOMMENDING THAT NAVIGATIONAL DREDGING OF THE HUDSON RIVER/CHAMPLAIN CANAL CHANNEL BE CONDUCTED CONCURRENTLY WITH PCB REMEDIATION DREDGING

WHEREAS, the USEPA issued a Record of Decision (ROD) in February of 2002 which requires the General Electric Company to dredge PCB-contaminated sediments from a 40 mile stretch of the Hudson River, and

WHEREAS, there is an identified need to dredge several areas of the Hudson River/Champlain Canal channel to a depth of 12 feet for navigational purposes within the aforementioned Hudson River remediation area which is beyond the scope of the PCB remediation action, and

WHEREAS, the removal of these materials in the navigation channel has, heretofore, been unable to be conducted due to PCB contamination overlying these sediments and its completion is imperative to the restoration of safe boating on the Hudson River/Champlain Canal, and

WHEREAS, the NYS Canal Corporation does not have environmental dredging equipment and/or disposal sites available which will accommodate the removal of PCB-contaminated sediments from certain portions of the Hudson River/Champlain Canal's navigational channel, and

WHEREAS, the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors believes that it is appropriate and cost-effective to the citizens of New York State to address Hudson River/Champlain Canal navigational dredging needs which are identified in certain areas within the proposed federal PCB remediation action concurrently with said remediation action to assure the timely restoration of safe boat navigation on the upper Hudson River area, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED that the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors recommends that a technical and economic evaluation be completed to identify the portions of the Hudson River/Champlain Canal's navigational channel which need to be dredged to restore safe boating, and be it further

RESOLVED that negotiations be conducted among all responsible parties to determine a fair and equitable allocation of costs for the timely completion of the necessary maintenance dredging of certain areas of the Hudson River/Champlain Canal during the Hudson River PCB remediation project, and be it further

RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to all of Saratoga County's state and federal elected representatives, its municipalities bordering the Hudson River, Governor George Pataki, the USEPA, the Trustees of the Hudson River Natural Resources Damage Assessment, the NYS Canal Corporation and the General Electric Company.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.

RESOLUTION 138 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Barrett, DeCerco, Hargrave, A. Johnson, M. Johnson, Peck and Wood

AUTHORIZING LEASE OF STORAGE SPACE FROM DCG DEVELOPMENT, CO. FOR ELECTRONIC VOTING MACHINES

WHEREAS, the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) requires the County to assume responsibilities formerly belonging to the Towns and Cities in relation to conducting elections, including the custody and care of voting machines; and

WHEREAS, electronic voting machines in Clifton Park require storage in conditions not necessary for lever machines; and

WHEREAS, a location suitable to store these machines is needed until a method of storing all electronic machines to be purchased by the County is decided upon; and

WHEREAS, the facility owned by DCG Development, Co. is the most suitable storage facility available; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is authorized to execute a lease of space with DCG Development, Co. for the storage of electronic voting machines for the period of June 1, 2006 to May 31, 2007 at a monthly cost of \$875, the form and substance of said lease subject to the approval of the County Attorney.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.

RESOLUTION 139 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Hunter, DeCerce, Grattidge, Hargrave, M. Johnson, Keyrouze and Yepsen

CORRECTING 2006 TAX BILL

WHEREAS, Real Property Tax Law §554 provides the procedure for the correction of errors on tax rolls; and

WHEREAS, the owners of the following lands have timely submitted proof of error in the 2006 tax bill; and

WHEREAS, our Director of Real Property Tax Services recommends that the errors be corrected; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the applications of the following individuals for correction of the 2006 tax rolls are approved, and the tax rolls are so corrected:

<u>TOWNS</u>	<u>S/B/L</u>	<u>CORR. TAX</u>
<u>CLIFTON PARK</u>		
Senecal, Susan D. & Danielle	269.20-1-1	\$1,647.42
<u>MALTA</u>		
Office of Mental Retardation	217.6-5-8	\$0.00

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.

RESOLUTION 140 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Hunter, DeCerce, Grattidge, Hargrave, M. Johnson, Keyrouze and Yepsen

CANCELLING DELINQUENT TAX LIENS AND DELINQUENT TAXES

WHEREAS, delinquent taxes for the years 1998 and 1999 are outstanding in the amount of \$2,942.12 on a tax parcel in the Town of Greenfield identified as tax parcel number 109.-1-8 and in the amount of \$16.41 for the year 2002 on a tax parcel in the Town of Milton identified as parcel number 175.-2-3.2; and

WHEREAS, the said taxes are unenforceable because these parcels belong to the State of New York, and

WHEREAS, the Tax Enforcing Officer has determined that there is no longer any practical method to enforce the collection of the delinquent tax lien and a supplementary proceeding to collect the tax would not be effective; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the delinquent tax liens in the amount of \$2,942.12 on tax parcel number 109.-1-8 in the Town of Greenfield and in the amount of \$16.41 on parcel #175.-2-3.2 in the Town of Milton are hereby cancelled, and the amount of any credit given to any municipal corporation on account of said delinquent taxes shall be charged back to said municipal corporation, pursuant to §1138(6)(d) of the Real Property Tax Law.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.

RESOLUTION 141 - 06

Introduced by Supervisors Hunter, DeCerce, Grattidge, Hargrave, M. Johnson, Keyrouze and Yepsen

APPROVING TAX REFUNDS OF \$3,828.78 IN CHARGES ON PARCELS IN THE TOWN OF CLIFTON PARK AND THE TOWN OF DAY

WHEREAS, the 2006 tax bills for certain tax parcels in the Town of Clifton Park and the Town of Day were paid and a refund has been requested in the Town of Clifton Park due to an erroneous relevy of a school tax bill and a refund has also been requested in the Town of Day due to an erroneous assessment of an improvement; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer refund the following overpayments of taxes, penalties and interest:

<u>TOWN OF CLIFTON PARK</u>	<u>Tax Parcel</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Quinmed Realty Inc.	269.19-1-43	2006	\$3,477.50
<u>TOWN OF DAY</u>			
Nancy Hall, et al (now 41.-1-92)	41.-1-73.1	2001	\$ 351.28

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No budget impact.

Mrs. Johnson reminded the Supervisors that tomorrow at 3:00 p.m. is the Drug Treatment Court graduation program. There will be several graduates, she stated. It is a most rewarding experience to go and hear of how they come from being alcohol and/or drug dependent to being alcohol free and drug free, she said. She encouraged those who have never attended before to do so.

Chairman Gutheil stated the following:

“We did not make the loan today. We recognize our obligations under SEQRA and under the DEIS. It is merely a provision if the system is built that offers some support that this could happen, he said. I have supported this project conceptually for a long time because if you look at the County, the economic engine is up and down the Northway corridor. This County today would not be what it was or what it is without the County Sewer. When it is built, we will be investing in County infrastructure – so important to public safety throughout that corridor and throughout the towns and the cities. There will be benefits to every town throughout the County with the opportunities of increased sales tax, he said. Quality water and unlimited amount of water available with a plant that will be easily expandable – in some cases, fire protection. Let’s talk about jobs. Our jobs have been marching out of New York State and out of the United States. We are competing globally. Our leaders in Albany have had the foresight to say we need to diversify. We need to have good paying jobs if we want a future for our children, our grandchildren and their children. We’ve lost a lot of manufacturing jobs. Bringing jobs into Luther Forest is critical to this County, he added. Our County has been the leader for many decades and the envy of many counties, and it is because of the decisions that previous Boards have made.

“Stillwater is an option to bring water into Luther Forest, but it would not solve the problems of the whole Northway corridor. We are approaching it with a more regional plan, and this would also help benefit Wilton and from the top of the County to the bottom of the County. The loan is only an option if the system is built. This financial plan was presented to us as a worse case scenario. As the system grows, there is a potential there that the cost could be reduced; the debt service could be paid off sooner on an accelerated basis, and the money will be paid back. There will be no ad valorem tax. If you look at our options and see what the cost would be by waiting, it would be phenomenally more. I respect and appreciate the support of the Board on this and thank you to the people who have all worked on it.”

Mr. DeCerce commended the Board for taking this action step. All of the reasons Chairman Gutheil mentioned are extremely valid, especially those items for our future, he said. He said his town has the Sewer District. They had their problems, but however, they fixed them, he added.

Chairman Gutheil stated County Clerk Kathy Marchione held a press conference this afternoon. We are the first County in New York State, possibly the second in the Nation, to be offering DMV services by appointment. She has bookmarks today announcing this.

Mrs. Marchione said they are very proud to be able to announce that they are the first in New York State to offer DMV appointment service. She said this means if you do not want to come in and stand in a short line or if you are on a busy schedule, you can now call any one of our offices and make an appointment for a time that is convenient for you, and we will have one appointment line. We will meet your scheduled time, she said. Bookmarks with the details of this were distributed to the Supervisors.

Chairman Gutheil thanked Mrs. Marchione on behalf of all of the residents of the County. You have always been innovative in that office, he said. We are in the service business, and this is being more user friendly, he added.

Mrs. Plummer announced the Board's Chicken Barbecue will be held on June 7th, 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Fairgrounds.

On a motion by Ms. Raymond, seconded by Mr. Lucia, the meeting was adjourned.

Barbara J. Plummer, Clerk