

# LAW & FINANCE Transcript 6/9/2021

## **SPEAKERS**

Sandi Cross, Steve Bulger, Phil Barrett, Sandra Winney, Tara Gaston, Jonathan Schopf, Michael Hartnett, Matt Veitch, Several Supervisors, Therese Connolly, Tom Wood

### **Jonathan Schopf**

We're gonna call the June 9 Law and Finance meeting to order. It appears we have full attendance amongst the committee and I believe Therese has noted other Supervisors who are calling in on the phone today. Thank you for attending. Do we have a motion for the acceptance of the minutes from the May 12 2021 meeting?

### **Tom Wood**

Supervisor Wood, I'll make that motion.

### **Sandra Winney**

Supervisor Winney, I'll second.

### **Jonathan Schopf**

Supervisor Wood.

### **Jonathan Schopf**

Second by Supervisor Winney. Thank you. Any discussion on the motion? All in favor?

### **Several Supervisors**

Aye.

### **Jonathan Schopf**

Any opposed? Passes. First items to move to the agenda will be Human Resources and Insurance, Supervisor or I'm sorry, Administrator Bulger.

### **Steve Bulger**

Thank you, Chairman. Good afternoon. First item is authorizing the position of Clerk part time within the Purchasing Department to be changed to Facilities Distribution Coordinator part time and amending to 2021 compensation schedule. Budget impact none. This new title of part time facilities distribution coordinator more accurately reflects the duties required for this position, which includes unloading trucks, packing supplies, deliveries to other departments, and backing up mail distribution. Next item authorizing an amendment to Chapter Three Section D of the Saratoga County Policies and Procedures Manual for the revision of the vacancy review policy and process. Budget impact none. The following policy revision will include vacancies being able to be filled once a position has been vacated, and upon receipt of proper documentation. The Vacancy Review Committee meetings will meet quarterly rather than monthly. Quarterly vacancies will be reviewed for turnover rates, exit

interview feedback and staffing levels. This item also received the approval of the Government Review and Efficiency committee meeting held on June 3, 2021.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Thank you. Oh, sure. Anybody have any questions on the Human Resources and Insurance agenda items? Very good. Hearing none Health Human Services. Oh, I'm sorry. Motion to approve Human Resources and Insurance?

**Jonathan Schopf**

Supervisor Barrett. Second?

**Phil Barrett**

So moved.

**Matt Veitch**

I'll second.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Supervisor Veitch. Thank you. Any discussion? All in favor?

**Several Supervisors**

Aye.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Any opposed? Carries. Thank you. Health and Human Services.

**Steve Bulger**

Okay first item, authorizing major contracts with 11 different ambulance services throughout Saratoga County to facilitate continuation of COVID vaccination for homebound, vulnerable or underserved residents. Budget impact, none. Funds have been allocated in the 2021 budget. This resolution will authorize 11 separate major contracts for each Ambulance Service. All 11 ambulance services were awarded minor contracts effective March 1, 2021 to provide EMS standby at County vaccination sites and administer vaccines to homebound individuals who are otherwise unable to travel the Public Health Points of Dispensing. The projected expenditures under the proposed major contracts are estimated to be less than \$180,000. It is anticipated that all expenses related to these major contracts, including the minor contracts, will be reimbursable through FEMA. Funds for these contracts were previously allocated and resolution 162 of 2021 passed in May of 2021. Next item, authorizing the acceptance of a contribution to the Office of the Aging in the amount of \$500 from Gerald and Carolyn Cromer. Budget impact, the donation of \$500 will be used to supplement the funding for the Senior Nutrition Program. Office for the Aging received the contribution with a letter from Mr. and Mrs. Cromer, expressing their gratitude to the Director and staff or assistance in the COVID-19 vaccination clinic in Clifton Park. Office for the Aging will utilize said donation to supplement funding for the Senior Nutrition Program, an amendment to the 2021 budget is necessary for the acceptance of this generous donation. Next item, authorizing the Chairman of the Board to sign the 2021-22 Annual Update to the 2020 to

2024 four year service plan from the Office for the Aging. Budget impact, none. This is an annual housekeeping item that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the requirement of the Chairman signature was temporarily removed by New York State and has since been reinstated. Next item, authorizing the acceptance of expanding access to COVID-19 vaccines via the Aging network funding in the amount of \$25,333. Budget impact, 100% State Aid. The 2021 budget will be amended to accept these funds and authorize the related expenses. The Administration for Community Living (ACL) through partnership with the Centers for Disease Control has provided funds to help increase vaccinations among older adults and people with disabilities. This funding will be used to arrange and provide accessible transportation to COVID-19 vaccination sites or this population of Saratoga County. Next item, authorizing the acceptance of Aging and Disability Resource Center's program, No Wrong Door vaccine access supplemental funding through the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 in the amount of \$22,037. Budget impact, 100% State Aid. The 2021 budget will be amended to accept these funds and authorize the related expenses. The New York State Office for the aging was awarded a discretionary supplemental grant from the Administration for Community Living to support Aging and Disability Resource Center's No Wrong Door systems efforts focusing on COVID-19 vaccine activities. Next item, authorizing the acceptance of \$697,838 in funding under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. Budget impact, 100% Federal Aid. The 2021 budget will be amended to accept these funds and authorize the related expenses. Funding from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 will be used for home delivered meals, congregate meals, transportation and any other eligible service that will benefit adults aged 60 and over in Saratoga County.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Thank you. Any questions for the Administrator on these items?

**Tara Gaston**

Chairman.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Supervisor Gaston.

**Tara Gaston**

I just have one question regarding the annual update. My understanding from the discussion was that it would authorize the signing of any annual updates pursuant to the same plan? Is that what this resolution is going to do? Or is this only for the 2021-2022 update?

**Steve Bulger**

Good question. I do not know, we can look into that and get back to you on it unless..

**Tara Gaston**

The minutes indicate the annual update only the transcript does detail a conversation in which my motion was to have it pursuant, all annual updates pursuant to the plan as its proposed, or as it was previously approved, because it's gonna have to go through so anyhow.

**Steve Bulger**

Yeah. Again, I'm just looking at a year, it doesn't specify that in the notes I have but we can look into that Supervisor and get back to you. And if we have to amend it again, at a future meeting and make sure that's covered, we can do that. But this right now, I think this will take care of the immediate situation for the current plan. And if, you know, again, if we have to make more updates, we can amend that, if that's acceptable.

**Tara Gaston**

I understand that and I know that it's possible, but the intent of the change was to make sure that Director Cross didn't have to come back every year for the same thing for a plan that's already been approved.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Sandy, you back there? Is this is this a four year plan that we're just we're just authorizing on a yearly basis?

**Sandi Cross**

What happens is every four years, we do a four year plan. And in the intervening years, we do an update. So the four year plan was signed in 2020, but because of the pandemic, they said no. So I agree with Supervisor Gaston but it's just as easy because I've got to bring the contracts every year. So from a historic point of view, we came every year, asked for the contracts for the next year and asked for the Chairman to sign. It was just this little blip in time where they said oh no, the Chairman doesn't have to sign and then the State reneged on that and said, he did have to sign. So either way works, I think it depends on what is easiest, maybe for the County Attorney as far as the Resolution goes.

**Tara Gaston**

Well, and I appreciate your flexibility on that. I would also say as the Chair of that committee, and the one that led that discussion, I would like the resolution to accurately reflect what moved out of the committee, which was going forward. If the decision of this committee is to do otherwise, that's fine. But I would think the action that comes out of the committee should be accurately reflected here. Unless there's a motion made to change that.

**Steve Bulger**

(inaudible ) Amend this now?

**Jonathan Schopf**

Mike, have you started this resolution?

**Tara Gaston**

That's what I'm asking, what's in this because, what it's going to reflect, it should reflect what came out of the committee, which was.

**Jonathan Schopf**

The draft resolution is as it came out of Committee and can be drafted in a manner that allows the Chairman or permits the Chairman to execute any annual updates associated with that four year plan. That's certainly,

**Jonathan Schopf**

That's how I read this it's an execution of the plan that's (inaudible)

**Tara Gaston**

Well, this one only provides authorization for the 2021 to 2022. So there will also be one in 2022 to 2023 and 2023 to 2024. So the discussion in committee was to allow those other annual updates to be, to change it so that he was also authorized to sign those without additional action of the Board. So is that what the resolution will reflect?

**Michael Hartnett**

If that's what came out of Health and Human Services, yes. As I recall the draft without having it directly in front of me, it has all annual updates are able to be executed by the Chairman.

**Tara Gaston**

Okay. I would just say that the minutes and the transcript differ on that. So I would ask that that be confirmed. I don't have a problem moving forward. But I would like it to reflect the discussion we had one that would be easier, I think for you and for my committee is authorizing the signing of all of them. So we can just make sure that reflects that. Thank you.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Any other questions?

**Matt Veitch**

Mr. Chairman.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Yes.

**Matt Veitch**

I'm thinking through this as the discussion is going on. Does the Board have the ability to

**Jonathan Schopf**

Bind a future Chairman?

**Matt Veitch**

Yeah.

**Jonathan Schopf**

You took it right out of my mouth.

**Jonathan Schopf**

That's exactly what I was thinking. So I'm thinking if we say we can authorize them to sign the contracts for four years, that's fine. But at the end of the day, that may be a different Chairman of the Board, elected by us on a future year.

**Jonathan Schopf**

I think that contract's already in place.

**Tara Gaston**

This is Supervisor Gaston. There's a clarification, there's a difference between the annual update and the contracts pursuant to it. This is not authorizing signing contracts, this is only authorizing signing of the annual update for the plan itself. Okay. And I would also say it's also authorizing not requiring. So, County Attorney would that, would authorizing versus requiring be considered binding?

**Michael Hartnett**

My understanding is this is not a contract, but an plan that's submitted to the State, and would be authorizing the Chairman not necessarily requiring the Chairman to execute that in future years. And it's more of an update on numbers that's submitted to the State rather than, you know, traditional contract type situation.

**Tara Gaston**

Supervisor Gaston. I won't make Director Cross come up again, but the contracts come separately, they will have to be approved separately by the Committee and then by the Board. So even if the Chairman signs this, it doesn't bind the Board, or any future Chairman, regarding any of the contracts either.

**Matt Veitch**

Okay. Thanks.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Maybe, Mike, would you be able to circulate that resolution ahead of time to make sure it's satisfactory to Supervisor Gaston?

**Michael Hartnett**

I will forward the draft resolution to Supervisor Gaston and the Health and Human Services Committee as soon as it's ready for print and for review.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Any other question? Anybody on the line? All right, motion to accept the entirety of the Health and Human Services.

**Tara Gaston**

I'll move them all pursuant to the discussion we just had regarding the one.

**Tom Wood**

Second, Supervisor Wood.

**Jonathan Schopf**

All in favor?

**Several Supervisors**

Aye.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Any opposed? Passes. Public Safety.

**Steve Bulger**

Okay, first item authorizing a renewal agreement with Albany Medical Center for the use of laboratory and morgue facilities needed by the County Coroner in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 effective January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021. Budget impact, none. Funds for this service have been allocated in 2021 budget. The County Coroner primarily uses Saratoga Hospital for morgue services. However, there are occasions when Albany Medical Centers morgue services are required. This renewal agreement will allow the corner to use Albany Medical Center services as necessary. Next item, authorizing the acceptance of a \$250,000 grant from the Dormitory of Authority of the State of New York, State and Municipal Facilities Program for the procurement of a new mobile communications command vehicle. Budget impact, 100% State Aid. The 2021 budget will be amended to accept these funds and authorize the related expenses. This grant will cover costs for the purchase of a new mobile communications command center. The County will look to purchase a prebuilt van through a State contract. This will replace the current RV being used which is approximately 20 years old. The grant will cover the purchase of the van and the installation of additional equipment. Next item authorizing the transfer of \$15,000 from the Stop DWI program reserve for two Sheriff Deputies to attend a Drug Recognition Expert Training held in Orlando, Florida and amending the 2021 budget in relation thereto. Budget impact, this transfer will reduce the balance in the DWI reserve to \$93,074.87. Due to the pandemic the 2021 Stop DWI revenues have been reduced. Using the reserve for the DWI program will mitigate the impact of the lost revenues. The funds will be used in part for services in the Sheriff's Department, District Attorney's Office, Probation Department, Department of Mental Health and the Prevention Council. In addition, this transfer will pay for two Saratoga County Sheriff Deputies to attend the Drug Recognition Expert Training program in Orlando, which will help train attendees on recognition and identification of drivers impaired by cannabis and other drugs which is particularly timely and helpful here in New York. Next item, authorizing the acceptance of the Aid to Defense Grant of \$14,656 for the term of April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2020. Budget impact, 100% State Aid. the 2021 budget will be amended to accept these funds and authorize the related expenses. The Public Defender's Office has successfully applied for this grant dating back to 2015. New York State Division of Criminal Justice will be extending the existing Aid in Defense contract period by six months and increasing the award amount These funds will be used to pay portions of attorney salaries in the Public Defender's office.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Thank you. Any questions on Public Safety? Anybody on the line have a question? Hearing none? Motion?

**Phil Barrett**

So moved.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Supervisor Barrett. Second?

**Sandra Winney**

I'll second that motion, Supervisor Winney.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Supervisor Winney, thank you. Any discussion on the motion? All in favor?

**Several Supervisors**

Aye.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Opposed? Passes. One item under Buildings and Grounds.

**Steve Bulger**

Okay, first item authorizing a change order to the agreement with Morton Buildings Inc. for the addition of a vinyl system in the future animal running building in the amount up to \$20,000. Budget impact, none. Funds are allocated within the 2021 budget. Morton's current contract amount is \$123,152. Funds for this vinyl system were covered within the transfer of \$155,187 from the Animal Shelter Trust Fund authorized through Resolution 129 of 2021, which was passed in April.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Any questions on the Animal Shelter? Anybody on the line, questions? Motion.

**Tara Gaston**

I'll move that, Supervisor Gaston.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Supervisor Gaston moved. Second?

**Matt Veitch**

Second.

**Sandra Winney**

I'll second that.



**Jonathan Schopf**

Think Supervisor Veitch had it. Any discussion on the motion? All in favor?

**Several Supervisors**

Aye.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Any opposed? Passes. Thank you. Economic Development next.

**Steve Bulger**

First item designating the Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce as the County's Tourism Promotion Agency and authorizing the Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce to apply for an I Love New York grant in 2021. Budget impact, none. Designating the Saratoga County Chamber of Commerce as the County's Tourism Promotion Agency will allow the Chamber to apply for the New York grant, the awarded an amount of \$20,862 will be sent directly to the Chamber once their application is approved by the State.

**Phil Barrett**

So moved.

**Matt Veitch**

I'll second it.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Discussion on the motion? All in favor?

**Several Supervisors**

Aye.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Opposed? Public Works.

**Steve Bulger**

Okay, first item, authorizing the implementation and funding in the first instance 100% of the Federal Aid and State Marchiselli Program-aid eligible costs of a transportation federal-aid project and appropriating funds for the replacement of a culvert on County Road 31 (Fortville Road over the North branch of the Snook Kill in the Town of Moreau) LIN 250, PIN 1761.40, in the amount of \$950,056 for construction, construction support and inspection services. Budget impact, the County's 5% share of \$12,603 will require a transfer from General Fund. The original construction estimate for this project was \$698,000, which is included in Public Work's 2021 budget. The construction bids for this project total \$950,056 and will require a budget amendment to account for the difference of \$252,056 Saratoga Counties 5% share of this total difference is \$12,603. Next item, authorizing the Chairman to enter into an amended agreement with Clark Patterson Engineers, Surveyors Architects and Landscape Architects, DPC for the construction support and inspection services related to the replacement of a

culvert on County Road 31 (Fortville Road over to North branch of the Snow Kill in the Town of Moreau) in the amount of \$98,746. Budget impact, none. Funds were already allocated from the previous resolution. This item is in regard to the same location as the previous item. The source of this funding is also through the Federal Highway Administration and New York State Department of Transportation. The County's 5% share totaling \$4,937 is included within the budget amendment for the acceptance of the funding in the previous item.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Thank you. Any questions? Is there a motion?

**Phil Barrett**

So moved.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Supervisor Barrett. Second?

**Sandra Winney**

I'll second the motion.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Supervisor Winney, thank you. Any discussion? All in favor?

**Several Supervisors**

Aye.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Any opposed? Passes. Thank you. Government Review and Efficiency. One item.

**Steve Bulger**

Okay. Amending Resolution 1 of 2021- Rules of the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors. Budget impact, none. This resolution will provide four changes to the Rules of the Board, which were originally passed on January 6, 2021, Resolution 1 of 2021 and amended in February 2021, Resolution 53 of 2021. The four changes are: one, adding presentations and reports to the order of business; two, changing the reading of resolutions to recite the Supervisors introducing the item, the title of the resolution and the budget impact; three, allowing the correction of minor informalities, such as clear typographical errors that are not substantive amendments to be corrected by the Clerk of the Board without need for a formal amendment motion; and four, changing the timing of agenda items and requests to provide that all agenda items must be submitted four County business days before a committee meeting. And the agenda must be published two County business days before a committee meeting.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Thank you. Any questions on that? Anyone on the phone have questions? Supervisor Veitch?

**Matt Veitch**

I have no questions, I'm gonna move it.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Oh, okay. Motion, Supervisor Veitch. Second?

**Tara Gaston**

I'll second, Supervisor Gaston.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Supervisor Gaston, second. Thank you. Any discussion? All in favor?

**Several Supervisors**

Aye.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Any opposed? Passes. A couple under Law and Finance.

**Steve Bulger**

Okay, first, adopting a local law, authorizing the conveyance of the Roberts Lane Bridge to Synergy Park LLC. Budget impact, this will result in an increase of \$1,000 in 2021 revenues. A public hearing regarding this item will be held at 3:45pm on June 15 prior to the Board of Supervisors meeting. Next item, requesting Home Rule Legislation to authorize the renaming of the Saratoga County Supreme Court Law Library as the Honorable Thomas D. Nolan Jr. Supreme Court Law Library. Budget impact, none. Judiciary Law 814 provides the establishment and naming of Supreme Court Law Libraries in each County throughout the State. Saratoga County Supreme Court Law Library Board of Trustees has recommended to rename the Law Library in honor of Judge Nolan and has requested that the County Board of Supervisors consider a resolution requesting Home Rule Legislation to effectuate the naming of the library. Next item, authorizing a contract amendment with GPI to increase the scope and fee of the work to be performed for the Saratoga County Sewer District's storage building and HVAC design. Budget impact, none. Funds for this fee increase are allocated within the 2021 budget. The increase scope includes preparing a site survey and stormwater pollution prevention plan for the project. The scope items were not in the original proposal as a projected disturbed area with less than one acre and is not greater than one acre. The increase fee for the additional work is \$37,250. This will increase the total cost to \$277,365.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Any questions on any of those items? Supervisor Gaston?

**Tara Gaston**

It's not necessarily a question but I guess I have to vote for them as a chunk? Can I separate them out?

**Jonathan Schopf**

I think they're moved as a yes or no on the agenda.

**Tara Gaston**

Okay, then I'm going to vote no one all of them I guess if I can't separate them out. Nothing against Judge Nolan at all, I just I don't agree with naming, particularly government facilities, after people who are alive. It's hard enough when they're passed, but that gets into sticky situations. So, alright, we can't? On that note, I think we should figure out a way to do that separately.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Thank you. Any other?

**Matt Veitch**

Mr. Chairman, I would say that what would happen is it would just be that her name would not appear on the moving resolution for that particular one. That's the way I would look at it, rather than having her have to vote no on all three. So, it's your prerogative Chairman, you're running the meeting.

**Michael Hartnett**

That is accurate.

**Jonathan Schopf**

We need a motion for separate votes on each of the agenda items?

**Michael Hartnett**

No, I mean, the no vote on that item can be recorded by the Clerk.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Okay.

**Michael Hartnett**

And when it's moved to the full Board for resolution and sponsoring Supervisors or committee would reflect only those that voted in favor.

**Tara Gaston**

So I can vote on the item separately?

**Michael Hartnett**

Yes.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Sounds like a yes.

**Tara Gaston**

Okay. Then I wish to do so.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Mike, should I do them each individually just do it as bulk and she does a no on the one.

**Michael Hartnett**

I think as long as it's clear how Supervisor Gaston's votes were placed for each item. I think that's acceptable.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Any other questions?

**Matt Veitch**

I'm going to make a statement about Judge Nolan, but I'm waiting for a motion and a second

**Jonathan Schopf**

Okay. Would anyone like to move these three items?

**Matt Veitch**

I'll move them.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Okay.

**Tom Wood**

Second, Supervisor Wood

**Jonathan Schopf**

Second by Supervisor Wood. Discussion on the motions.

**Matt Veitch**

Yes, sir. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. So, as a member of the Saratoga County Supreme Court Law Library Board of Trustees, we had our meeting at the end of last month, and one of the items that was brought forth from our judge, who was the Chair of that committee was a request to rename the Saratoga County Supreme Court Law Library in honor of Judge Nolan. I just want to briefly indicate a few things about judge Nolan's bio and then just talk a little bit about his role in the law library. So, Judge Nolan was educated first, Mechanicsville High School, graduated in 1967. He studied at the Sorbonne in Paris 1969 to 1970, Hamilton College 1971 and Albany Law School in 1976. He was the Village Attorney in the Village of Schuylerville, the Assistant Town Attorney in the Town of Charlton, the Town Attorney in the Town of Clifton Park, the Assistant Town Attorney in the Town of Clifton Park, Counsel to the Town of Clifton Park IDA, Special Counsel for the Saratoga County IDA, and his earliest was a Law Clerk at the Saratoga County Family Court. And in his judicial offices he served as the Saratoga County Family Court Judge from 1995 until 1999, and he was elected as the New York State Supreme Court Justice in January 2000 and served there with distinction until his retirement on December 31, 2020. As far as his role in the Law Library, Judge Nolan was the former Chair of the Law Library Board of Trustees. And at a point in time, I don't know maybe about three years ago, the Law

Library was formerly located on the third floor in the City Hall in Saratoga Springs. The City of Saratoga Springs indicated that they were looking to take over that space for City offices, and told the Law Library Board of Trustees, as well as the County, generally that they wanted to take over that space and the County would need to move out of that location. So Judge Nolan took a lead role in finding and advocating for the new Law Library location. Each request made for new location or different locations around the County he researched fully visited many locations and spent many days and hours working on this. And in that role, and in that regard, the Laws of Library Board of Trustees hopes and wishes that he deserves to have the new Law Library named after him. So I just wanted to get that on the record before we move forward and vote on it.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Thank you, Supervisor. I was going to also thank Judge Nolan for his years of service. A Clifton Park resident, distinguished Jurist and his involvement with the Law Library I definitely think it's appropriate. Any other comments or questions? Hearing none, motion. Oh, no, we already did that. All in favor.

**Several Supervisors**

Aye.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Any opposed?

**Tara Gaston**

Can you please record my vote yes on the other two, no on the Law Library. Thank you.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Thank you. Right. We now have a litigation update. I know Attorney Hartnett circulated around an update to everyone, it was rather lengthy. My suggestion would be if, we're certainly happy to move into executive session to discuss any of those items. If anybody has any questions for him that would be, you feel would best discussed as a body we can do that. If not, he has indicated his willingness to answer anybody's individual questions privately and it would still be attorney client privilege. So I don't know if anybody wants to go into Executive Session for any particular reason today. Anybody on the phone? All right, hearing none, we'll accept the litigation update is submitted. Under other business, I did have several requests this month for various proclamations. We have issued all of those at everyone's request. There was request from Supervisor Gaston for proclamations for Juneteenth, as well as Pride Month. And a request from Supervisor Lant who's not here today for a proclamation in honor of service member Abigail Jenks, from his Town, and as well as a proclamation request from the Chairman for dairy month. And we have issued all four of those proclamations, they're executed. And if anyone would like copies for their particular municipalities, we can bind them up and have the seals affixed.

**Tara Gaston**

Chairman.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Yes.

**Tara Gaston**

While, I appreciate the issuance of a proclamation that was not what I had requested from the Board. However, I suppose I will talk to you and the County Attorney and the Chairman of the Board, because as I indicated, it was my intention to bring forward a resolution that was not allowed on the agenda today. So I was going to bring it from the floor at the Board meeting. But I just wanted to note that it was my intention to have items that were voted on, and or discussed by the Board as a whole and not proclamations issued out of here for both Pride Month and Juneteenth.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Thank you. Fair enough. We didn't have the requests in time to do resolutions so doing my best to get these out in the manner that we can and the Rules of the Board we issued the proclamations.

**Phil Barrett**

Mr. Chairman, who are the proclamations on behalf of?

**Jonathan Schopf**

I'm sorry?

**Phil Barrett**

Is it on behalf of the whole Board? Or?

**Jonathan Schopf**

Yes, the Board of Supervisors.

**Phil Barrett**

Or Law and Finance or?

**Jonathan Schopf**

The Board of Supervisors. Actually by myself and Chairman Kusnierz.

**Phil Barrett**

Okay, Just for clarification's sake.

**Tara Gaston**

I'm not sure what, No, my intention was for it to be brought forward and voted on like we've done other things. That proclamation, my understanding is only signed by the Chair and the Vice Chair, correct?

**Jonathan Schopf**

Correct.

**Tara Gaston**

And so it was not brought forward to the Board for discussion either way, for either other Supervisors to say yea, or nay that they wish for a proclamation to be issued on behalf of them. So

**Phil Barrett**

Somebody could object if they wanted to, right? Since it's on behalf of the Board. But I for one am glad you did it.

**Jonathan Schopf**

I didn't have a resolution on any one of these four prior to the setting of the agenda for Law and Finance.

**Phil Barrett**

Well, I'm glad we did them for what it's worth.

**Jonathan Schopf**

We issued the resolutions.

**Tara Gaston**

What County Attorney? How many resolutions are complete for our Board meeting next week as of this moment? Is the answer 100% of what's listed on the document right now?

**Michael Hartnett**

I would guess I would, it depends on how you define the complete.

**Tara Gaston**

Is a resolution drafted?

**Michael Hartnett**

There are resolutions that are drafted, they go to the Clerk of the Board in final form after final review on the Monday prior to the Board meeting, so they'd still have not gone through final edits.

**Tara Gaston**

Thank you.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Motion to set the agenda for the Board meeting.

**Matt Veitch**

So moved.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Supervisor Veitch. Second?



**Phil Barrett**

Second.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Supervisor Barrett. Discussion on the motion? All in favor?

**Several Supervisors**

Aye.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Any opposed? Passed. And that will be for the Board meeting for June 15, 2021. Are we reopened fully for Board meetings at this juncture? Has there been a decision on that? Or are we still streaming? Are we streaming the audio still for the Board meeting?

**Steve Bulger**

Yea.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Okay. So everybody who might be listening in knows. But the Boardroom will be open to the public without prior reservation?

**Therese Connolly**

It has been open for several months.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Excellent. Motion to adjourn? All right. Any other business rather?

**Tara Gaston**

Sorry. When you say the Boardroom has been open to the public, since when?

**Therese Connolly**

I'm not exactly sure of the exact date.

**Tara Gaston**

I'm just wondering because I think the information that's being sent out, like the agendas and whatnot, it still says something about the Board is closed due to COVID.

**Therese Connolly**

No.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Limited capacity.

**Therese Connolly**

It's limited capacity, because we have social distancing in the gallery.

**Tara Gaston**

Okay. All right.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Any other business? Hearing none. A motion to adjourn?

**Phil Barrett**

So moved.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Supervisor Barrett. Second?

**Sandra Winney**

I'll second.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Supervisor Winney. All in favor?

**Several Supervisors**

Aye.

**Jonathan Schopf**

Any opposed. Thank you, everybody.