

REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, August 16, 2022
AT 4:00 p.m., E.S.T.

Board called to order by Chairman Kusnierz.

Roll call was taken. PRESENT – Eric Connolly, Joseph Grasso, Philip C. Barrett, Jonathon Schopf, Eric Butler, Diana Edwards, Michael Smith, Kevin Veitch, Arthur M. Wright, Kevin Tollisen, Mark Hammond, Scott Ostrander, Theodore Kusnierz, Willard H. Peck, Sandra Winney, Thomas N. Wood, III, Tara Gaston, Matthew E. Veitch, John Lant - 19. ABSENT – Jean Raymond, Thomas Richardson, Edward D. Kinowski, John Lawler - 4.

The invocation was given by Thomas N. Wood, III, Chaplain.

On a motion by Mr. Schopf, seconded by Mr. M. Veitch, the minutes of the July 19, 2022 Board meeting was unanimously approved.

The Clerk presented the following:

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from County Treasurer Andrew Jarosh appointing Joanne Kupferman as Deputy Treasurer July 8, 2022.

Received and Filed

Letter NYS Homeland Security and Emergency Services notifying that Saratoga County has been awarded \$1,426,723 under the NYS 2021-2022 Statewide Interoperable Communications Grant Program.

Received and Filed

Letter NYS Homeland Security and Emergency Services notifying that Saratoga County has been awarded \$118,764 under the 2021-2022 NYS Public Safety Answering Points Operations Grant Program.

Received and Filed

Thank you correspondence from the Saratoga County History Center, Friends of Wilton Recreation Inc., National Bottle Museum, Schuylerville Youth Center, Burnt Hills Rowing Association and Little Lambs Daycare Program for the Covid Relief Grant Funding.

Received and Filed

Mr. Kusnierz recognized Sergeant Ryan Mahan and NYS Trooper Taylor Salaway who were recently awarded the Saratoga County Sheriff's Office Live Saving Award for their actions during a motor vehicle accident on Route 9 in the Town of Wilton.

On a motion by Mr. Butler, seconded by Ms. Gaston, Resolutions 256 through 268 with the exception of Resolution #'s 265, 266 and 268 were adopted by a unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION 256 - 2022

Introduced by Government Review and Efficiency: Supervisors Lant, Barrett, Edwards, Hammond and Smith

AMENDING THE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL TO ADD A “PROCUREMENT CARD POLICY”

WHEREAS, Resolution 330-82 adopted a Manual of Policies and Procedures for the conduct of Saratoga County government; and

WHEREAS, our Government Review and Efficiency Committee, the Director of Purchasing, the County Treasurer, and the County Auditor have recommended the adoption of a “Procurement Card Policy”; and

WHEREAS, a copy of the proposed “Procurement Card Policy” was provided to each member of this Board; and

WHEREAS, implementation of any legislative revisions to the Manual of Policies and Procedures requires approval of this Board; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following section of the Saratoga County Policies and Procedures Manual is amended to adopt and implement the “Procurement Card Policy” as more particularly described in the Government Review and Efficiency Committee proposal:

Chapter:	2
Section:	O
Title:	Procurement Card Policy

; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the County Administrator shall distribute copies of this amendment to the Policies and Procedures manual to all County departments and agencies; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No Budget Impact.

RESOLUTION 257 - 2022

Introduced by Public Safety: Supervisors Lant, Barrett, Hammond, Lawler, Ostrander, K. Veitch and Wright

AUTHORIZING INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENTS WITH PARTICIPATING MUNICIPALITIES FOR 2023 SARATOGA COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER SERVICES

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 229-2021 the County entered into intermunicipal agreements with those municipalities within Saratoga County which utilize the services of the Saratoga County Animal Shelter for shelter services rendered for the service period of January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, our Public Safety Committee and the Director of the Animal Shelter have recommended that the County enter into a renewal of the intermunicipal agreements with all participating municipalities for Saratoga County Animal Shelter services for the service period of January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, at the same rates and upon the same terms and conditions as authorized by resolution 229-2021; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is hereby authorized to execute intermunicipal agreements with those municipalities within Saratoga County which utilize the services of the Saratoga County Animal Shelter for shelter services rendered for the service period of January 1, 2023, through December 31, 2023, at the same rates and upon the same terms and conditions as authorized by Resolution 229-2021; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the form and content of such intermunicipal agreements shall be subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No Budget Impact.

RESOLUTION 258 - 2022

Introduced by Public Safety: Supervisors Lant, Barrett, Hammond, Lawler, Ostrander, K. Veitch and Wright

AUTHORIZING AN AMENDED AGREEMENT WITH SHENENDEHOWA SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE PROVISION OF AN ADDITIONAL SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER, AND AMENDING THE 2022 COUNTY BUDGET IN RELATION THERETO

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolutions 156-2018 and 200-2021, this Board authorized the execution of agreements with Shenendehowa Central School District for the provision of two (2) Road Patrol Sheriff Deputies to serve as School Resource Officers; and

WHEREAS, Shenendehowa Central School District has submitted a proposal to the Sheriff to amend the 2022-2023 agreement to provide one (1) additional Road Patrol Deputy to serve as a School Resource Officer, for a total of three School Resource Officers to be assigned to Shenendehowa Central School District, at a cost to be paid by the district of \$75,419.87 per assigned Deputy Sheriff serving in the capacity of School Resource Officer for the 2022-2023 school year to cover the school district's approximate pro-rata share of the County's employee, transportation, equipment and patrol car costs for each assigned Deputy; and

WHEREAS, our Public Safety Committee and the Sheriff have recommended that the proposal of Shenendehowa Central School District to amend the 2022-2023 agreement to add an additional School Resource Officer, be accepted; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board and the Sheriff are hereby authorized to execute an amendment to the 2022-2023 agreement with the Shenendehowa School District, to be effective September 1, 2022, for the provision of one (1) additional Road Patrol Deputy to serve as a School Resource Officer, for a total of three (3) Road Patrol Deputies to serve as School Resource Officers at a cost to be paid by the district of \$75,419.87 per assigned Deputy Sheriff serving in the capacity of School Resource Officer for the 2022-2023 school year to cover the school district’s approximate pro-rata share of the County’s employee, transportation, equipment and patrol car costs for each assigned Deputy; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the form and content of such amended agreement shall be subject to the approval of the County Attorney, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the 2022 Saratoga County Budget is amended as follows:

SHERIFF’S OFFICE:

Increase Fund Balance	
Acct.: #A-0599.B – Budgetary Fund Balance	\$37,709.93
Increase Revenue	
Acct.: #A.30.2263 – SRO Reimbursements	\$37,709.93

; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: The budget will be amended to accept these funds.

RESOLUTION 259 - 2022

Introduced by Public Safety: Supervisors Lant, Barrett, Hammond, Lawler, Ostrander, K. Veitch and Wright

AUTHORIZING AMENDED AGREEMENTS FOR THE PROVISION OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS TO LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS, AND AMENDING THE 2022 COUNTY BUDGET IN RELATION THERETO

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolutions 156-2018, 167-2018, 187-2020 and 200-2021, this Board authorized the execution of agreements with the following school districts for the provision of School Resource Officer services: Ballston Spa Central School District, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Central School District, Corinth Central School District, Galway Central School District, Mechanicville City School District, Schuylerville Central School District, South Glens Falls Central School District, Stillwater Central School District, Shenendehowa Central School District, and Saratoga Springs City School District for the assignment of Saratoga County Sheriff’s Department Road Patrol Deputies as School Resource Officers; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to resolution 200-2021, the Sheriff’s Office agreements with the districts were to provide School Resource Officers for the academic year, September through June; and

WHEREAS, at the request of the districts it has been proposed that each of the 2022-2023 School Resource Officer agreements be amended to twelve (12) months to enable the Sheriff to provide the School Resource Officers during the summer months; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff wishes to renew each agreement to provide up to thirteen (13) Road Patrol Deputies to the ten (10) school districts subject to each school district agreeing to be responsible for, and to pay to the County the sum of \$75,419.87 per assigned Deputy Sheriff serving in the capacity of School Resource Officer for the 2022-2023 school year to cover the school district's pro-rata share of the County's employee, transportation, equipment and patrol car costs for each assigned Deputy; and

WHEREAS, as School Resource Officers, the duties of the assigned Deputies will include, but not be limited to: maintaining a presence on the assigned school campus directed towards protecting the safety and well-being of students and school staff; reducing disorder and student crime; assisting school personnel with truancy related issues; teaching and/or making classroom presentations to students and school personnel on such issues as violence prevention, substance abuse prevention, social conflict resolution, and school safety; responding to life or safety threatening emergencies; and

WHEREAS, our Public Safety Committee and the Sheriff have recommended the acceptance of the proposal to amend the agreements with each of the following school districts for a term of twelve (12) months from September 1 to August 31, commencing with the 2022-2023 school year, subject to renewal for up to two additional terms of twelve (12) months each, for the provision of Road Patrol Deputy Sheriffs to serve as School Resource Officers: Ballston Spa Central School District, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Central School District, Corinth Central School District, Galway Central School District, Mechanicville City School District, Saratoga Springs City School District, Schuylerville Central School District, Shenendehowa Central School District, South Glens Falls Central School District and Stillwater Central School District, at a cost to be paid by each school district of \$75,419.87 per assigned Deputy Sheriff serving in the capacity of School Resource Officer for the 2022-2023 school year to cover the school district's approximate pro-rata share of the County's employee, transportation, equipment and patrol car costs for each assigned Deputy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board and the Sheriff are hereby authorized to execute an amended agreement with each of the following school districts for a term of twelve (12) months from September 1st to August 31st, commencing with the 2022-2023 school year, subject to renewal for up to two additional terms of twelve (12) months each, for the provision of Road Patrol Deputy Sheriffs to serve as School Resource Officer: Ballston Spa Central School District, Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Central School District, Corinth Central School District, Galway Central School District, Mechanicville City School District, Saratoga Springs City School District, Schuylerville Central School District, Shenendehowa Central School District, South Glens Falls Central School District and Stillwater Central School District, at a cost to be paid by each school district of \$75,419.87 per assigned Deputy Sheriff serving in the capacity of School Resource Officer for the 2022-2023 school year to cover the school district's approximate pro-rata share of the County's employee, transportation, equipment and patrol car costs for each assigned Deputy; and be it further

RESOLVED, that each of the foregoing agreements with said school districts shall provide that upon the request of the school district and the approval of the Saratoga County Sheriff, Saratoga County Sheriff's Department Road Patrol Deputies shall be authorized to provide overtime security services at school activities and events outside of normal school hours at an additional cost to the school district of \$50.00 per hour for a minimum of two (2) hours per school activity/event; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that contract costs for any renewal period for the 2023-2024 or 2024-2025 school years shall be the school district's approximate pro-rata share of the County's employee, transportation,

equipment and patrol car costs for each assigned Deputy, as calculated by the Saratoga County Sheriff by no later than June 1 prior to the commencement of that school year; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the form and content of such agreements shall be subject to the approval of the County Attorney, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the 2022 Saratoga County Budget is amended as follows:

UNDER SHERIFF’S OFFICE:

Increase Appropriations:	
Acct.: #A.30.000-6810 - Overtime	\$68,800

Increase Revenues:	
Acct.: #A.30.2263 - SRO Reimbursements	\$68,800

; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: The budget will be amended to accept these funds and authorize the related expenses.

RESOLUTION 260 - 2022

Introduced by Human Resources and Insurance: Supervisors Tollisen, Edwards, Grasso, Hammond, Schopf, K. Veitch and Wood

AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF A MONTHLY STIPEND TO LISA MASTEN, HUMAN RESOURCES ANALYST

WHEREAS, Lisa Masten was appointed to the position of Human Resources Analyst in June 2022 from her previous position of Payroll Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, as a result of ongoing transitions within the Human Resources Department and Treasurer’s Office, Lisa Masten’s supervision duties will continue to be performed in the payroll unit; and

WHEREAS, our Human Resources and Insurance Committee and the Director of Human Resources have recommended that Lisa Masten be provided a stipend in the amount of \$500.00 per month, from June 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, to compensate her for the additional duties that she will be performing; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this Board approves the payment to Lisa Masten, Human Resources Analyst, of a stipend in the amount of \$500.00 per month, from June 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, to compensate her for the additional duties that she will be performing in the payroll unit; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No Budget Impact. Funds are included in the department budget.

RESOLUTION 261 - 2022

Introduced by Economic Development: Supervisors Tollisen, Grasso, Hammond, Schopf, K. Veitch, M. Veitch and Wood

AUTHORIZING THE CONTINUATION OF SARATOGA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT #2, WITH MODIFICATIONS, FOR AN ADDITIONAL EIGHT YEARS, AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A NEGATIVE DECLARATION UNDER SEQR

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 133-98, this Board approved the consolidation of Saratoga County Agricultural Districts #2, #5 and #6 into Saratoga County Consolidated Agricultural District #2 within the Towns of Ballston, Charlton, Clifton Park, Galway, Malta, and Milton, and the City of Saratoga Springs, and with continued annual reviews involving Agriculture and Markets Law Section 303-b, has expanded the boundaries of the District within the Towns of Ballston, Charlton, Clifton Park, Corinth, Edinburg, Galway, Greenfield, Hadley, Malta, Milton, Providence, and the City of Saratoga Springs; and

WHEREAS, based on the petitions of interested landowners, this Board has modified the boundaries of Saratoga County Consolidated Agricultural District #2 on several occasions to include parcels owned by the requesting landowners within the District's boundaries, with the last such modification being pursuant to Resolution 47-2021; and

WHEREAS, Agriculture and Markets Law §303-a requires this Board of Supervisors to conduct a review of Saratoga County Consolidated Agricultural District #2 every eight (8) years, and to determine whether the District should be continued, terminated or modified; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with Agriculture and Markets Law §303-a(2)(b), the Saratoga County Agriculture Farmland Protection Board and the Saratoga County Planning Board have submitted a report ("the Report") to this Board recommending that Saratoga Consolidated Agricultural District #2 be continued with modifications to its boundary map to correctly correspond to the 2022 New York State Real Property Service ("RPS") parcel codes depicting participation in the Saratoga County Consolidated Agricultural District #2, and to make minor clerical corrections; and

WHEREAS, in the Report, the Saratoga County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board and the Saratoga County Planning Board recommend the removal of four parcels from the Saratoga County Consolidated Agricultural District #2 as requested by the individual landowners; and

WHEREAS, as part of its review process, this Board held a public hearing on July 13, 2022, as required by Agriculture and Markets Law §303-a(2)(c), and received eight (8) public comments on the proposed continuation and modifications of the District's map boundaries; and

WHEREAS, after an extensive review of the public comments by the Saratoga County Planning and Economic Development Department, the Saratoga County Office of Real Property Tax Services, in cooperation with all municipal Assessors within Saratoga County Consolidated Agricultural District #2, the Saratoga County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board, and the Saratoga County Planning Board, it was recommended that no changes be made to the Report; and

WHEREAS, the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors has reviewed the proposed Project, including the recommendations of the Saratoga County Agriculture and Farmland Protection Board, as well as

Parts I and II of the Project's State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQR") Short Environmental Assessment form; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors hereby finds, determines and directs that Saratoga County Consolidated Agricultural District #2 should be continued for an additional eight (8) year period and directs that those modifications to the District's boundary map be amended to correctly correspond to the 2022 RPS parcel codes depicting participation in Saratoga County Consolidated Agricultural District #2; and be it further

RESOLVED, that based upon the Project as proposed and the responses set forth in Part I & II of the Short Environmental Assessment form prepared for the Project, the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors hereby determines that the Project will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors hereby issues a Negative Declaration for this Unlisted Action pursuant to Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to execute the Short Environmental Assessment Form (a copy of which is attached hereto); indicating the proposed action will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Board is directed to cause a negative declaration to be filed in accordance with the requirements set forth in the applicable administrative and procedural regulations of SEQR; and be it further

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Agricultural and Markets Law §303-a(3), the Clerk of the Board shall forward to the New York State Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets a copy of this Resolution and the District Review Plan for the Saratoga County Consolidated Agricultural District #2, which Plan shall include the description of the District; a map delineating the exterior boundaries of the District which shall conform to tax parcel boundaries; the tax map identification numbers for every parcel in the District with minor clerical corrections; a copy of the report of the Saratoga County Farmland Protection Board; and copies of all written comments received for the public hearing; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No Budget Impact.

RESOLUTION 262 - 2022

Introduced by Economic Development: Supervisors Tollisen, Grasso, Hammond, Schopf, K. Veitch, M. Veitch and Wood

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A FIRST QUARTER 2022 AND SECOND QUARTER 2022 PAYMENT TO SARATOGA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR MARKETING AND PROMOTIONAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 315-2021, this Board authorized the Chairman to enter into an agreement with Saratoga County Economic Development Corporation ("SEDC") to provide marketing services for the promotion and benefits of conducting business operations in the County of Saratoga for the term January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, at a cost not to exceed \$225,000, to be made in

quarterly payments upon the submission of a properly documented voucher and documentation for review by the Economic Development Committee and upon a resolution duly advanced; and

WHEREAS, our Economic Development Committee has received and reviewed said documentation for the first and second quarter of 2022 and has recommended that the payment of \$73,754.82 be made to the Saratoga Economic Development Corporation for the provision of marketing and promotional services for the promotion and benefits of conducting business operations in the County of Saratoga; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the first and second quarter 2022 payment to Saratoga Economic Development Corporation in the amount of \$73,754.82 is authorized and approved to be paid; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No Budget Impact. Funds are included in the department budget.

RESOLUTION 263 - 2022

Introduced by Trails and Open Space: Supervisors Grasso, Connolly, Kinowski, Tollisen and M. Veitch

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD TO ENTER INTO NECESSARY AGREEMENTS TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT, AND ADMINISTER A NEW YORK STATE SNOWMOBILE GRANT-IN-AID PROGRAM GRANT

WHEREAS, on an annual basis since 1994, this Board has authorized the acceptance of State aid for the maintenance of snowmobile trails and the administration of such aid by the Saratoga County Association of Snowmobile Clubs (the "Association"); and

WHEREAS, the Association has requested that Saratoga County apply for the 2022-2023 New York State Snowmobile Grant-In-Aid Program Grant in an amount up to \$89,000, and to serve as the conduit between the State and the Association for the distribution of the grant funds; and

WHEREAS, the Association has submitted to our Trails and Open Space Committee a list of the 2021-2022 trail mileage planned for each snowmobile club within the County, and the Committee has approved said list; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is hereby authorized to execute all necessary documents to apply for, accept, and administer the 2022-2023 State Snowmobile Grant-In-Aid Program Grant, not to exceed \$89,000, for the administration by the Saratoga County Association of Snowmobile Clubs; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the form and content of such documents shall be subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the County Auditor is hereby authorized to approve payment of the actual grant funds to the Saratoga County Association of Snowmobile Clubs for use in the development and maintenance of locally maintained snowmobile trails throughout the County; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No Budget Impact. Funds are included in the department budget.

RESOLUTION 264 - 2022

Introduced by Trails and Open Space: Supervisors Grasso, Connolly, Kinowski, Tollisen and M. Veitch

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 THEREFORE, AND AMENDING THE 2022 COUNTY BUDGET IN RELATION THERETO

WHEREAS, a Project known as the "Zim Smith Trail North Extension" (design only) in the Towns of Ballston, Malta, Milton, City of Saratoga Springs, and Village of Ballston Spa, P.I.N. 1762.43 ("Project"), is eligible for funding under Title 23 of the U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs of such program to be borne by a ratio of 80% of federal funds and 20% nonfederal funds; and

WHEREAS, the County of Saratoga desires to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the nonfederal share of the costs of design services; and

WHEREAS, an amendment of the 2022 budget is needed to appropriate the necessary funding for the Project; and

NOW THEREFORE, the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the Project; and it is hereby further

RESOLVED, that the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the County of Saratoga to pay in the first instance 100% of the federal and nonfederal share of the costs of design services for the Project or portions thereof; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$500,000 is hereby appropriated from the Zim Smith Capital Fund and made available to cover the cost of the County's participation in the design phase of the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that in the event the full federal and nonfederal share costs of the Project exceeds the amount appropriated above, the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors shall convene as soon as possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon notification by the New York State Department of Transportation thereof; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests for federal aid and/or Marchiselli aid on behalf of the County of Saratoga with the New York State Department of Transportation in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and the municipality's first instance funding of project costs and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid and state-aid eligible Project costs and all Project costs within appropriations therefore that are not so eligible; and it is further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Commissioner of the New York State Department of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary agreements in connection with the Project; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the 2022 County budget is amended as follows:

UNDER PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

Increase Appropriations:

Acct.: # HG.80.100-7098 – Professional Services \$400,000

Increase Revenues:

Acct.: # HG.80-4097 – Federal Aid Capital Projects \$400,000

; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: The anticipated County share of this Project is \$100,000 and is available within the Zim Smith Capital Fund.

RESOLUTION 267 - 2022

Introduced by Law and Finance: Supervisors Schopf, Barrett, Grasso, Lant, Raymond, Tollisen and M. Veitch

AUTHORIZING A BUDGET AMENDMENT OF \$4,000,000 IN AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 FUNDS TO THE SARATOGA COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1'S 2022 BUDGET

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the Federal Government passed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA”), which was a \$11.9 trillion economic stimulus package intended to assist the United States recovery from the economic and health effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic and the ongoing recession; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Treasury has issued guidance and rules relative to ARPA funding, including the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Award Terms and Conditions and the most recent Interim Final Rule, dated July 19, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Saratoga County was directly awarded and has received the second tranche of ARPA funding in the amount of \$22,325,096.50, on July 11, 2022; and

WHEREAS, improvements and maintenance of sewer infrastructure is an approved use of ARPA funding; and

WHEREAS, improvements and maintenance of the sewer infrastructure that is owned and operated by Saratoga County Sewer District No. 1 is an integral component of the continued growth and economic development of Saratoga County, and this Board reaffirms its commitment to the ongoing improvement and maintenance of sewer infrastructure for the benefit of all county residents; and

WHEREAS, our Law and Finance Committee, the Saratoga County Sewer District No. 1 Sewer Commission, and the Executive Director of the Sewer District have recommended that \$4,000,000 in

funding received through ARPA be appropriated to the Saratoga County Sewer District No. 1 budget to be applied towards improvements and maintenance of sewer infrastructure; now, therefore, it is

RESOLVED, that this Board authorizes an appropriation of \$4,000,000 from fund balance to Saratoga County Sewer District No. 1, utilizing previously recognized ARPA funds; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the 2022 County budget is amended as follows:

UNDER SEWER DISTRICT

Increase Appropriations	
Acct.: #: ES.81.813-7095 – Capital Equipment	\$4,000,000

Increase Revenues:	
Acct.: #: ES.81-4089 – Federal Aid – Other	\$4,000,000

; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: Funding will require an appropriation of \$4,000,000 utilizing ARPA funds.

Mr. Ostrander requested a separate vote on Resolution 266.
 Ms. Gaston requested a separate vote on Resolutions 265 and 268.

On a motion by Ms. Gaston,, seconded by Mr. M. Veitch, Resolution #265 was adopted by a unanimous vote. Ms. Gaston requested a written breakdown on the status of ARPA funds currently expended.

RESOLUTION 265 - 2022

Introduced by Law and Finance: Supervisors Schopf, Barrett, Grasso, Lant, Raymond, Tollisen and M. Veitch

AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF \$22,325,096.50 IN FEDERAL AID UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 (ARPA)

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2021, the Federal Government passed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (“ARPA”), which was a \$11.9 Trillion economic stimulus package intended to assist the United States recovery from the economic and health effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic and the ongoing recession; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Treasury has issued guidance and rules relative to ARPA funding, including the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund Award Terms and Conditions and the most recent Interim Final Rule, dated July 19, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Saratoga County was directly awarded and has received the second tranche of ARPA funding in the amount of \$22,325,096.50, on July 11, 2022; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 246-2021, this Board authorized the acceptance and recognition of ARPA funding with the creation of a liability account "A-0688.ARPA" where such funds will be held until this Board determines appropriate funding expenditures in accordance with the guidance and rules as promulgated by the U.S. Department of Treasury; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Treasurer and Director of Finance are authorized to recognize acceptance of the second tranche of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 funding in the amount of \$22,325,096.50; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No Budget Impact.

A motion was made by Mr. Ostrander, seconded by Mr. Lant to move Resolution 266 for discussion.

Discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Mr. Ostrander, seconded by Mr. Smith to refer Resolution 266 to the Buildings & Grounds committee for further consideration and studies. Motion passed unanimously.

On a motion by Mr. Schopf, seconded by Mr. Barrett, Resolution #268 was adopted by unanimous vote. Ms. Gaston requested that the County consider the increased impact of the project on municipalities where the project will be sited when deciding the distribution of funds.

RESOLUTION 268 - 2022

Introduced by Law and Finance: Supervisors Schopf, Barrett, Grasso, Lant, Raymond, Tollisen and M. Veitch

AUTHORIZING A HOST COMMUNITY BENEFIT AGREEMENT WITH CHPE, LLC IN CONNECTION WITH THE CHAMPLAIN HUDSON POWER EXPRESS PROJECT

WHEREAS, CHPE, LLC, a New York State limited liability company (the "Company"), has undertaken a project (the "Project") consisting of the construction, installation and equipping on or under the Land of a fully-buried, up to 1,250-megawatt ("MW") high voltage direct current ("HVDC") electric transmission line and related infrastructure (collectively, the "Improvements") that will travel through the Towns of Moreau, Northumberland, Wilton, Greenfield, Milton, Ballston, Clifton Park, and the City of Saratoga Springs, and the acquisition and installation thereon and therein of certain related machinery and equipment, including but not limited to, two (2) five-inch diameter HVDC transmission cables (collectively, the "Equipment") (the Land, the Improvements and the Equipment hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to be used and operated by the Company as a portion of an electric power transmission line from the U.S.-Canada border to New York City; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the undertaking of the Project, the Company will execute and deliver a "Host Community Benefit Agreement" by and between the County of Saratoga ("County") and the Company, pursuant to which the Company will agree to pay certain host community benefit payments directly to the County; and

WHEREAS, the County, as one of the affected taxing jurisdictions with respect to the Project Facility, desires to adopt a resolution indicating agreement to the terms of the proposed Host Community Benefit Agreements; and

WHEREAS, upon the recommendation of our Law and Finance Committee, and upon the recommendation of the Saratoga County Industrial Development Agency that the County approve and accept a Host Community Benefit Agreement with CHPE, LLC as substantially described in Schedule A attached; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Saratoga County Board of Supervisors hereby approves the payment terms to be contained in the Host Community Benefit Agreement, as substantially described in Schedule A attached; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Board is authorized on behalf of the County to execute and deliver the Host Community Benefit Agreement with CHPE, LLC, relating to the County for the purpose of evidencing its approval to the proposed payment terms of the Host Community Benefit Agreement, said Host Community Benefit Agreement to contain the terms described in Schedule A attached; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the form and content of such Host Community Benefit Agreement shall be subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and it is further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

BUDGET IMPACT STATEMENT: No Budget Impact.

Ms. Gaston and Mr. Veitch gave brief updates on their attendance at the recent NACo conference and encouraged Supervisors to get involved in NACo. Deputy County Administrator Harris also attended the conference.

PUBLIC INPUT

Darlene McGraw said that she would like to see increased ADA accessibility in the County, specifically a text to 911 system where people with disabilities can contact 911 via text messaging. Ms. McGraw also expressed frustration regarding the availability of public transportation services in some municipalities in the County. Ms. McGraw thanked the Board for the Zim Smith Trail.

Katrina Pacheco from H2M Architects and Engineers presented the Board with two design achievement awards that were awarded for the Paul Lent Public Safety Facility. The first award is from the New York Chapter of the American Council of Engineering Companies, Gold Award in the special project category of engineering excellence. The second award is from the Law Enforcement Design Award earning a bronze award for the consolidation of critical law enforcement and communication entities among multiple County departments into a facility built to withstand natural disasters and manmade threats.

On a motion by Mr. Schopf, seconded by Mr. Smith, the meeting was adjourned by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Therese Connolly
Clerk of the Board