St. Lawrence County
Board of Legislators
Board Room and Live via YouTube

Operations Committee Monday, July 18, 2022 5:30 p.m.

PURSUANT TO THE STATE OF EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER 11.8, IN EFFECT UNTIL AUGUST 13, 2022, SUSPENSION OF LAW ALLOWS THE ATTENDANCE OF MEETINGS TELEPHONICALLY OR OTHER SIMILAR SERVICE

Members Attending: Ms. Curran, Mr. Acres, Mr. Burke, Mr. Denesha, Mr. Fay, Ms. Fiacco, Mr. Forsythe, Ms. Haggard, Mr. Lightfoot, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Reagen, Mr. Sheridan, Mr. Smithers.

Members Attending via Video: Mr. Arquiett and Ms. Terminelli arrived at 6:50

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA Ms. Curran called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Mr. Smithers moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).
- **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** Mr. Forsythe moved to approve the June 13th meeting minutes, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).
- 3. NUTRITION PROGRAMMING Laurell Brault, Potsdam Snack Pack Program
- 4. ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT COUNCIL (EMC) POLICY AND POSITION ON NUCLEAR ENERGY John Tenbusch, Planner II, St. Lawrence County Planning Office

5. SHERIFF – BROOKS BIGWARFE

Undersheriff Sean O'Brien spoke to the following resolutions in the Sheriff's absence:

- A. Modifying the 2022 Sheriff's Office Budget to accept a 2020 State Criminal Alien Assistance Program Funding from the Bureau of Justice Department (Res) Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Sheridan, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).
- B. Modifying the 2022 Budget for Additional Revenue to Purchase Technical Equipment for the Sheriff's Office Correctional Facility (Res) Mr. Acres moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).
- C. Modifying the 2022 Budget for the Sheriff's Office for a FY22 CTZ-8 Red Team Exercise Grant from the New York State Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services Offices (Res) Mr. Smithers moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).

6. EMERGENCY SERVICES – MATT DENNER

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with New York State Office of Homeland Security to Accept FY22 State Homeland Security Preparedness Grant and Modifying the 2022 Budget for the Office of Emergency Services and Sheriff's Office (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Mr. Sheridan, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).

7. LEGISLATOR MARGARET HAGGARD

A. Declaring June 2022, as "Gun Violence Awareness Month" in St. Lawrence County (Res) (Note: This resolution was tabled at the June Operations Committee meeting and will need a motion to remove it from the table.) — No action was taken on this tabled resolution.

8. LEGISLATOR LARRY DENESHA

A. Encouraging Developers to Purchase American-Made Equipment for Solar Energy Facilities that are Constructed in New York State (Res) – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to full Board, seconded by Ms. Fiacco, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).

9. VACANCY REVIEW COMMITTEE - RUTH DOYLE

- A. Vacancy Review Summary (Info) Ms. Doyle
- B. Sheriff Undersheriff O'Brien requested to fill a Correctional Officer, Position No. 60300035, in the Sheriff's Office.
- C. Probation Mr. LePage requested to create and fill a portion of two (2) Probation Assistant, Position Nos. 609500002 and 609500004 in the Probation Department. (Note: This discussion was tabled at the last Operations Committee meeting.) Ms. Fiacco moved to remove this item from the table, seconded by Mr. Burke, and failed by a voice vote of six (6) yes votes (Arquiett, Burke, Fiacco, Fay, Forsythe, and Haggard), eight (8) no votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ms. Terminelli arrived at 6:50 p.m.

- A. Agriculture & Farmland Protection Board no report
- B. Alternative to Incarceration Board no report
- C. Board of Trustees for Supreme Court Library no report
- D. Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board Ms. Curran
- E. Environmental Management Council Ms. Terminelli
- F. Fire Advisory Board no report
- G. Intercounty Legislative Committee no report
- H. Jury Board no report
- I. Planning Board Mr. Fay

11. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Haggard said she would like to ask the Chair to form a committee to review the snack pack program. Mr. Lightfoot said there are snack pack programs in many towns throughout the

County with most being funded by solicitations, and he did not feel it was the place of the County to get involved in this program.

- **12. EXECUTIVE SESSION** Executive Session was held in conjunction with the following Services Committee meeting.
- 13. ADJOURNMENT Ms. Curran adjourned the July Operations Committee meeting at 6:58 p.m., as there was no further business.