St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators Board Room Board Meeting Monday, June 4, 2018 6:00 P.M.

Chair Acres called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: All Legislators were present with the exception of Mr. Hooper.

Mr. Denesha led everyone in prayer followed by the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Mr. Forsythe moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Lightfoot, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Perkins moved to approve the May 7, 2018, meeting minutes, seconded by Ms. Bell, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

PRESENTATION OF A RESOLUTION:

Finance Committee: 5-21-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 206-2018

PROCLAIMING JUNE AS DAIRY MONTH

By Mr. Timmerman, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, since 1937, National Dairy Month has been celebrated in June to recognize the important role of the dairy industry, with this year marking the eighty-first anniversary of National Dairy Month, and

WHEREAS, nutrient-rich dairy foods provide health benefits and valuable nutrients from calcium to potassium, and dairy products, like milk, contain nine essential nutrients, and whether it is protein to help build and repair the muscle tissue of active bodies or vitamin A to help maintain healthy skin, dairy products are a natural nutrient powerhouse, and

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County dairy farmers produced 798 million pounds of milk in 2017, ranking the County fourth in the Northeast Milk Marketing Area, which extend from New Hampshire to Maryland, and

WHEREAS, May 2017 milk production ranked St. Lawrence County 53rd out of the top one hundred dairy counties in the United States, and

WHEREAS, according to the Northeast Statistical Handbook, 323 dairy farms operate in the County, the second highest number of farm operations in the Marketing Area, and

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County dairy farmers, milk processors, and support industries make significant contributions to the economy of the region, and

WHEREAS, the value of dairy products in 2012 exceeded \$132 million and accounted for seventy-one percent (71%) of the total value of all agricultural products generated by St. Lawrence County farmer,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators does hereby proclaim June as Dairy Month.

Mr. Timmerman moved to adopt Resolution No. 206-2018, seconded by Mr. LaPierre, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Introduction of the Dairy Princess and her Court: **Dairy Princess** Maureen Pierce, Heuvelton; **Alternate Dairy Princess** Chloe Renaud, Gouverneur; **Dairy Ambassadors:** Kaylin Gotham, Hermon; Leeann Gotham, Hermon; Kaitlyn Putman, Lisbon; Michael Pierce, Heuvelton; and Sarah Rodee, Canton; **Dairy Promoters:** Abigail Smith, Colton and Myrah Bullock, Edwards

Dairy Promoters: Kelsey O'Shea said she works with Cornell Cooperative Extension as the Ag Business Management Specialist serving a six county region, including St. Lawrence County. She primarily works with farms on anything that is not farming; such as payroll, accounting, regulations, business structure and business planning. Ms. O'Shea said she and others are here to speak about dairy farming and how it specifically impacts St. Lawrence County and the local economy. In St. Lawrence County there are two (2) agricultural districts with a total of 420,000 acres being used for farming, with a little more than half of that being crops. As of the 2012 Agriculture Census, there were 33,604 dairy cows in the County on 286 farms with the total milk sales being \$132,257,000.

Stephanie McBath, a senior at Cornell University, thanked the Board for continuing to support the Dairy Princess Program, and for recognizing June as Dairy Month in St. Lawrence County. She said her mother is part owner of a fourth generation dairy farm, Mapleview Dairy, and she made sure her children understood the importance of dairy farming. Ms. McBath said growing up she became involved in 4H, showed cows at the County Fair, was in FFA and was Chapter President in high school. She also became involved in the New York Junior Holstein Association, was a Saratoga County Dairy Princess, and eventually became the New York State Dairy Princess. She said as she graduates college and continues on with her career, she will continue to be an advocate for agriculture.

Patty Gilbert said she works for St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES and runs the agricultural study academy at the cooperative extension. She said dairy farming is a passion of hers and she feels lucky to be able to share it with her students every day. Her goal is to get students who study agriculture to come back to the County.

A recess was called at 6:17 p.m. for a small reception in the lobby, sponsored by the Dairy Princess and her Court. The meeting resumed at 6:31 p.m.

COMMUNICATIONS: The following correspondences were read by the Deputy Clerk:

- 1. A thank you card was received from Legislator Lightfoot for the cards, dish garden, prayers, and condolences on the passing of his mother.
- 2. Two resolutions were received: One from the Board of Supervisors of Seneca County and one from Cattaraugus County Board of Legislators supporting Senate Bill 8210 Amending Executive Law in Relation to the Cost of Maintenance and Operation of Veterans' Service Agencies

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

Bill Nelson, Lisbon, said he served as Mayor for sixteen (16) year for the City of Ogdensburg with a salary of \$7,000, and never received a raise during that time. He said each of us does our jobs in public service to serve the public and to do a good job; it is not for the money. Mr. Nelson said he considers himself a fiscal conservative, and he is in support of the resolution to grant a pay increase to the County Legislative Board. He said he knows it is difficult to get people to serve on boards, and better compensation may be beneficial in enticing people to run. He said this Board has done a good job over the last few years, and his recommendation is an increase in increments over the next four (4) years.

Patrick Green, Lisbon, quoted JKF in his inaugural address as saying "and yet the same revolutionary beliefs for which our forebears fought are still at issue around the globe - the belief that the rights of man come not from the generosity of the state but from the hand of God". He said he believed this to be true and believes that we now live in a Nation that thinks the state is God. He opposed Legislators getting a salary increase. He said he heard the Legislators did a great job over the past few years, but asked on whose back. Mr. Green said the State is \$361 billion in debt and after President Trump is done; it will be another \$1.5 trillion in debt. He feels this is not fair to the children of the future.

Ken Putney, Lisbon, said he is afraid for his child with the debt that is being incurred. He said there is no reason for it, and it is unforeseeable. He said he was glad to see the young people speak on behalf of agricultural business tonight. The private lands of this Town and County are being bought by banks which are owned by the government. He said the government has no business owning land and controlling people. His hope is that the Legislators can help correct this.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS:

Operations Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 207-2018

ADDING ELEVEN PARCELS TOTALING 417.5 ACRES TO ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL DISTRICTS 1 AND 2

By Mr. Hooper, Chair, Operations Committee

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County has two Agricultural Districts that help protect and enhance its agricultural resources, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators established March 1st to March 30th as the annual 30-day review period to receive requests to add land to these districts, and

WHEREAS, in 2018 the County received requests to add four parcels to Agricultural District 1, and seven parcels to Agricultural District 2, and

WHEREAS, based on criteria specified in Agriculture and Markets Law, the County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board reviewed each request and recommends these parcels be added to Agricultural Districts 1 and 2, and

WHEREAS, no public comments were received at or before the April 19th public hearing about the recommended additions,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators adds eleven (11) parcels totaling 417.5 acres to St. Lawrence County Agricultural Districts 1 and 2, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the County Planning Office to submit the appropriate documentation to the Commissioner of Agriculture and Markets as required by law.

Mr. Arquiett moved to adopt Resolution No. 207-2018, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Operations Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 208-2018

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES CORPORATION AND THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT FOR THE SEPTIC SYSTEM REPLACEMENT PROGRAM AND MODIFYING THE 2018 BUDGET FOR THE PLANNING OFFICE

By Mr. Hooper, Chair, Operations Committee

WHEREAS, the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (NYS EFC) awarded \$225,000 to St. Lawrence County to implement a Septic System Replacement Program Grant with multi-year options, and the County opted into earlier this year, and

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) has offered to provide financial assistance for administrative costs associated with program implementation as this type of funding was absent from the grant in its current format, and

WHEREAS, the funding provided by the SWCD will not offset the cost of full implementation of the Grant award of \$225,000, and

WHEREAS, the intent to move ahead and begin implementation of the Grant with the funds provided by the SWCD will occur with efforts to locate additional sources of revenue to support the administration of the grant, it is possible that implementation may be impacted when administrative funding is exhausted,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with New York State Environmental Facilities Corporations and the St. Lawrence County Soil and Water Conservation District for the Septic System Replacement Program, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2018 Budget for the Planning Office, as follows, and to roll over any remaining funds to future years until the grant if fully expended:

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

N1Z87904 460GP EFC	N Gen Nat Resources Cont	\$225,000
N1087904 43007 EFC	N Gen Nat Resources Cont	20,000
		\$245,000

INCREASE REVENUE:

 N1Z39895 56000 EFC
 N SA Other Home & Comm
 \$225,000

 N1012895 55000 EFC
 N LR Other Gen Dept Income
 20,000

 \$245,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an update and notification will be provided to the Board of Legislators when additional administrative funding is necessary to proceed with the program.

Mr. Arquiett moved to adopt Resolution No. 208-2018, seconded by Mr. Perkins and Ms. Bell, and carried by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Operations Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 209-2018

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION (ATI) SERVICE PLAN CONTRACT

By Mr. Hooper, Chair, Operations Committee

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Alternatives to Incarceration Advisory Board approved an extension of the Alternatives to Incarceration (ATI) Plan Contract No. CL17-1038-D01/C523950 for St. Lawrence County for July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, and

WHEREAS, these pre-trial services were funded in the prior year, 2017-2018 contract term, with \$28,421, and

WHEREAS, these pre-trial services will be funded with \$28,421 in ATI funds which will reflect in account number Q1033105 56000 ATI, and

WHEREAS, the total cost of the ATI Program for 2018 is \$98,367, of which \$28,421 is ATI grant funded, and \$7,869 is covered under the NYS Office of Probation and Correctional Alternatives State Aid Block Grant leaving a County cost of \$62,077,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign the Alternatives to Incarceration (ATI) Services Plan Contract, upon approval of the County Attorney.

Mr. Arquiett moved to adopt Resolution No. 209-2018, seconded by Mr. Perkins and Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Operations Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 210-2018

PROCLAIMING MAY 13-19, 2018, AS POLICE OFFICER WEEK IN ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY

By Mr. Hooper, Chair, Operations Committee

WHEREAS, in 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation which designated May 15 as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which that date falls as Police Week, and

WHEREAS, all St. Lawrence County law enforcement agencies play essential roles in safeguarding the rights and freedoms of the citizens of the County, and

WHEREAS, Police Officer Week honors the Sheriff's Office, town and village police departments, and New York State Police, and recognizes the responsibilities and the professional duties of police officers who serve to protect the people of this County and State, and

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County law enforcement agencies provide a vital public service to the wellbeing of the residents through dedicated service to communities and for preserving the rights and security of all citizens, and in doing so have established an honored and enduring reputation,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators proclaims May 13-19, 2018, as Police Officer Week in St. Lawrence County, and calls upon all citizens to join in honoring our police officers, past and present, for their performance of duty and service to St. Lawrence County.

Mr. Arquiett moved to adopt Resolution No. 210-2018, seconded by Mr. Forsythe and Mr. Lightfoot, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Operations Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 211-2018

AUTHORIZATION TO ABOLISH AN ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDER POSITION AND CREATE A CHIEF ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDER POSITION IN THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AND FILL AFTER A CONTRACT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED WITH THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES

By Mr. Hooper, Chair, Operations Committee Co-Sponsored by Mr. Forsythe, District 2 and Mr. Denesha, District 6

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Committee to be filled, and now requires approval of the full Board, and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Public Defender is understaffed based on the caseload/ attorney ratio when comparing the recent caseload standards with the actual number of cases maintained by the office, and

WHEREAS, the Public Defender would greatly benefit from the addition of a Chief Assistant Public Defender and will abolish an existing position in the office so that this position can more effectively assist with managerial duties, supervision of staff, and assisting with budget and reporting requirements, and

WHEREAS, the filling of this position will be contingent upon the availability of State funding,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Public Defender to abolish Position No. 0214007120 and create Position No. 021700002, Chief Assistant Public Defender, in the Public Defender's Office and fill after a contract has been established with the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this position will be filled when a contract with the NYS Office of Indigent Legal Services is signed for Indigent Defense, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the additional funding for Indigent Defense ceases, the position will be abolished.

Mr. Arquiett moved to adopt Resolution No. 211-2018, seconded by Mr. Fay, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Operations Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 212-2018

AUTHORIZATION TO CREATE AN ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDER IN THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER AND FILL AFTER A CONTRACT HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED WITH THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES

By Mr. Hooper, Chair, Operations Committee Co-Sponsored by Mr. Forsythe, District 2 and Mr. Denesha, District 6

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Committee to be filled, and now requires approval of the full Board, and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Public Defender is understaffed based on the caseload/ attorney ratio, when comparing the recent caseload standards with the actual number of cases this office maintains, and

WHEREAS, the filling of this position will be contingent upon the availability of State funding,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Public Defender to create Position No. 021400009, Assistant Public Defender, in the Public Defender's Office, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this position will be filled when a contract with the NYS Office of Indigent Legal Services is signed for Indigent Defense, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the additional funding for Indigent Defense ceases, the position will be abolished.

Mr. Arquiett moved to adopt Resolution No. 212-2018, seconded by Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 213-2018

AUTHORIZATION TO CREATE AND FILL A NURSE PRACTITIONER POSITION IN COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR DELIVERY SYSTEM REFORM INCENTIVE PAYMENT PROGRAM (DSRIP) CLINIC

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee Co-Sponsored by Mr. Lightfoot, District 3

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County has agreed to partner with the North Country Initiative (NCI) for the purpose of participation in the Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment Program (DSRIP) and this initiative is facilitated by the Fort Drum Regional Health Planning Organization (FDRHPO), an organization that works in the Tri-County Region of Jefferson, Lewis, and St. Lawrence Counties, and

WHEREAS, the initiative that St. Lawrence County is providing will include the creation and operation of a primary care clinic adjacent to the Mental Health and Chemical Dependency Clinics to serve vulnerable clients who may not have access to primary care, and

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County is providing this service to create a model where the physical needs of clients can be met, alongside any mental health needs, to improve the health of the North Country,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes creating a Nurse Practitioner Position in Community Services for Delivery System Reform Incentive Payment Program (DSRIP) Clinic, with no county cost, as follows:

CREATE:

A3143201 11000 DSRP

One (1) Nurse Practitioner

\$27,100

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Director of Community Services to fill Position No. 501800004, Nurse Practitioner, in Community Services contingent on the creation of the DSRIP Primary Care Clinic, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the funding for this initiative ends, the Position will be abolished.

Mr. Arquiett moved to adopt Resolution No. 213-2018, seconded by Mr. Lightfoot, and carried by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 214-2018

MODIFYING THE 2018 BUDGET FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR FUNDING ASSOCIATED WITH THE CHILD & FAMILY SUPPORT TEAM

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2017, the Community Services was awarded \$200,000 of reinvestment funding from the Office of Mental Health to create a Child & Family Support Team, and

WHEREAS, the process of filling positions and establishing the Team took longer than expected and the funds were not adequately rolled into this year so it is necessary to reallocate the funds for the purpose intended, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to modify the 2018 Budget to meet the 2018 expenses of the Child & Family Support Team,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2018 Budget for Community Services for funding associated with the Child & Family Support Team, as follows, and to roll over any remaining appropriations:

DECREASE UNAPPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:

01TG0911 50300 Unreserved Fund Balance Un-Appropriated \$32,655

INCREASED APPROPRIATED FUND BALANCE:

01TG0910 50300 Unreserved Fund Balance Appropriated \$32,655

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

A3243204 41102	A CFS Educational Workshops	\$5,500
A3243204 41901	A CFS Central Printing	1,000
A3243204 41902	A CFS Commercial Printing	500
A3243204 42000	A CFS Office Supplies & Expens	10,500
A3243204 42101	A CFS Copying Equipment	1,200
A3243204 42302	A CFS Other Phone Services	1,000
A3243204 42303	A CFS I/D Phone Charges	1,200
A3243204 42402	A CFS I/D Postage	1,500
A3243204 43007	A CFS Other Fees & Services	2,255
A3243204 44300	A CFS Mileage	5,000
A3243204 44500	A CFS Other Travel Reimbursement	3,000
		\$32,655

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the funds are not expended in 2018 that they be rolled forward annually until expended.

Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 214-2018, seconded by Mr. Burke, and carried by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 215-2018

APPOINTING A MEDICAL DIRECTOR FOR THE CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY CLINIC WITHIN COMMUNITY SERVICES AND MODIFYING THE 2018 BUDGET FOR COMMUNITY SERVICES

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee Co-Sponsored by Mr. Lightfoot, District 3

WHEREAS, the Office of Alcoholism & Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) states that each program must have a physician designated to be the Medical Director, and

WHEREAS, Edward Goldstein, MD, is board certified in the practice of family medicine and has worked with St. Lawrence County Mental Health making him familiar with the Chemical Dependency Clinics and qualifying him to assist in filling the needs of the staff and clients,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators appoints Edward Goldstein, MD, as the Medical Director for the Chemical Dependency Clinic within the Community Services Department, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2018 Budget for Community Services as follows:

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

A1142501 19000	A CACD Temporary & Part Time	\$11,760
	INCREASE REVENUE:	
A1116315 55000 A1316315 55000	A LR Canton Chem Dep Clinic Fees A LR OGDS Chem Dep Clinic Fees	\$5,880 5,880 \$11,760

Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 215-2018, seconded by Mr. Burke and Mr. Perkins, and carried by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 216-2018

APPOINTING A MEDICAL DIRECTOR FOR THE MENTAL HEALTH CLINIC WITHIN COMMUNITY SERVICES

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the recent expansion of services provided in the Mental Health Clinic requires supervision, and

WHEREAS, currently Patricia Pielnik, MD, is a Medical Consultant for the Mental Health Clinic,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators appoints Patricia Pielnik, MD, as the Medical Director for the Mental Health Clinic within Community Services.

Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 216-2018, seconded by Mr. Burke and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. <u>217-2018</u>

AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A CASE SUPERVISOR, GRADE B/CPS POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee Co-Sponsored by Mr. Lightfoot, District 3

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, Position No. 816000001, Case Supervisor, Grade B/CPS, was vacated on May 4, 2018, due to a resignation, and

WHEREAS, this position directly supervises Caseworkers and a Senior Caseworker to investigate allegations of child abuse and maltreatment in St. Lawrence County made to the State Central Register, make safety decisions, initiate legal proceedings and appear in family court, and

WHEREAS, Child Protective Services is trying to maintain the high standards set by the Department of Social Services and the State to ensure the safety of children in this County, and

WHEREAS, with the current demands of the position, the increasing number of reports being received in the unit, and the continuing changes occurring in how the job is performed, not filling this position would negatively impact our current performance standards and risk the safety of the children in this County,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Commissioner of Social Services to fill Position No. 816000001, Case Supervisor, Grade B/CPS, in the Social Services Department, no earlier than thirty (30) days from the date vacated.

Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 217-2018, seconded by Mr. Timmerman, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. <u>218-2018</u>

AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A CASE SUPERVISOR, GRADE A/CPS POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee Co-Sponsored by Mr. Lightfoot, District 3

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, Position No. 817200001, Case Supervisor, Grade A/CPS, was vacated on March 30, 2018, due to a retirement, and

WHEREAS, this position supervises the investigating of allegations of child abuse and maltreatment in St. Lawrence County made to the State Central Register, and

WHEREAS, Child Protective Services is trying to maintain the high standards set by the Department of Social Services and New York State to ensure the safety of children in this County, and

WHEREAS, with the current demands of the position and the continuing changes occurring in how the job is performed, not filling this Case Supervisor, Grade A/CPS position would negatively impact current performance standards and risk the safety of the children in this County,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Commissioner of Social Services to fill Position No. 817200001, Case Supervisor, Grade A/CPS, in the Department of Social Services, no earlier than sixty (60) days from the date vacated.

Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 218-2018, seconded by Mr. Denesha and Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 219-2018

AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A SOCIAL WELFARE EXAMINER POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee Co-Sponsored by Mr. Lightfoot, District 3

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, Position No. 814000032, Social Welfare Examiner, was vacated on January 10, 2018, due to a resignation, and

WHEREAS, this position was previously approved to be filled per Resolution No. 95-2018,

WHEREAS, after a review of the position, the needs of the Department can best be met by moving this Social Welfare Examiner position from the Medical Assistance program to the Temporary Assistance/Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, and

WHEREAS, this person would be responsible primarily for maintaining approximately 50 Temporary Assistance (TA) cases and approximately 386 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) cases serving approximately 757 individuals, and

WHEREAS, this position is needed to determine eligibility, complete re-certifications, and maintain ongoing TA and SNAP cases to meet State mandated deadlines for processing TA and SNAP applications and re-certifications, and to ensure clients receive all the benefits to which they are entitled in a timely manner,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Commissioner of Social Services to fill Position No. 814000032, Social Welfare Examiner, in the Department of Social Services, no earlier than sixty (60) days from the date vacated.

Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 219-2018, seconded by Mr. Paquin, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. <u>220-2018</u>

AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A PRINCIPAL SOCIAL WELFARE EXAMINER POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee Co-Sponsored by Mr. Lightfoot, District 3

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, Position No. 814200006, Principal Social Welfare Examiner, will be vacated on June 13, 2018, due to retirement, and

WHEREAS, this position is responsible for planning, coordinating, supervising, training, and managing the performance and activities of staff in the Medicaid Chronic Care and Third Party Health Insurance unit,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Commissioner of Social Services to immediately fill Position No. 814200006, Principal Social Welfare Examiner, in the Department of Social Services.

Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 220-2018, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 221-2018

AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A CLERK POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee Co-Sponsored by Mr. Lightfoot, District 3

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, Position No. 002300020, Clerk, was vacated on April 27, 2018, due to a resignation, and

WHEREAS, this position is needed in reception to greet and direct, approximately 2,700 clients and visitors a month to the appropriate units at the Department, to answer an average of 8,500 phone calls a month, to issue of an average of 300 Common Benefit Identification (CBIC) Cards which are necessary to allow clients access to benefits, to log in and directing an average of 760 pieces of mail and mail an average of 160 applications a month, and to look up and make changes to re-mail an average of 37 returned CBIC Cards a month, and

WHEREAS, this position also assists with making packets for client handouts, assigning case numbers, helping clients with assigning PIN numbers to CBIC Cards and finger imaging which is currently averaging 148 per month, and

WHEREAS, not filling this position would severly hinder the ability of the Department to adequately serve clients,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Commissioner of Social Services to fill Position No. 002300020, Clerk, in the Department of Social Services, no earlier than sixty (60) days from the date vacated.

Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 221-2018, seconded by Mr. Paquin, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 222-2018

AUTHORIZATION TO ABOLISH A SECRETARY I POSITION AND CREATE AND FILL AN ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, this request has been reviewed and it is recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee that a Secretary I Position be abolished and an Administrative Assistant Position be created and filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, following a desk audit of a Secretary I Position, the duties associated with that position were found by civil service to be the duties of the title of Administrative Assistant, and the person in that position will be appointed to an Administrative Assistant Position according to civil service regulations, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes abolishing Position No. 005100006, Secretary I, and creating and filling an Administrative Assistant Position in the Department of Social Services, as follows:

ABOLISH:

DAS60101	One (1) Secretary I	\$45,295
	Grade 20, Step 10	

CREATE:

DAS60101 One (1) Administrative Assistant \$47,972 Grade 23, Step 7

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Commissioner to immediately fill Position No. 005200010, Administrative Assistant, in the Department of Social Services.

Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 222-2018, seconded by Mr. Timmerman and Mr. Fay, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. <u>22</u>3-2018

AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A WEIGHTS AND MEASURES INSPECTOR IN THE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES DEPARTMENT

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee Co-Sponsored by Mr. Lightfoot, District 3

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval of the full Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, Position No. 013000001, Weights and Measures Inspector, will be vacated on May 8, 2018, due to a promotion, and

WHEREAS, the Department is comprised of two individuals who handle approximately 843 scales, 785 meters (gas pumps/fuel truck), 549 farm milk tanks, item pricing and scanner accuracy with 50 waivers in effect, 22 linear measures, on an annual basis,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Director of Weights and Measures to immediately fill Position No. 013000001, Weights and Measures Inspector, in the Weights and Measures Department.

Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 223-2018, seconded by Mr. Denesha and Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 224-2018

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS FOR SERVICES FOR THE PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the Public Health Department engages the services of several individuals and agencies to provide services for the Preschool Special Education Program, and

WHEREAS, the Preschool Special Education Program Contracts cover the following services: Center-Based Program (PPK40504 46502), Special Education Itinerant Teacher (SEIT) (PPK4050 47700), Evaluation (PPK40504 48600) at rates set by the New York State Education Department, and Related Services (PPK40504 47700) at rates set by St. Lawrence County, and

WHEREAS, the contracts cover the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign contracts for services for the Preschool Special Education Program in the Public Health Department, upon approval of the County Attorney.

Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 224-2018, seconded by Mr. Paquin, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 225-2018

APPROVAL OF RATES FOR RELATED SERVICES FOR THE PRESCHOOL SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the Public Health Department engages the services of several individuals and agencies to provide Preschool Special Education Program needs, and

WHEREAS, the rates paid to providers for Related Services (PPK 40504 47700) are set by the County and reflect cost from the agency providing services,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators approves the following rates for Related Services for the Pre-School Special Education Program for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019:

Service:	Maximum Rate per Half Hour:
Audiology	\$75
Counseling	\$64
Teacher of Hearing Impaired	\$58
Occupational Therapy	\$69
Physical Therapy	\$61
Speech Therapy	\$63
Group Rates (OT, PT, ST – per child)	\$45
Teacher of Visually Impaired	\$50
1:1 Aide	\$14
Interpreter	\$16
Teaching Assistant	\$15
Psychological Services	\$60
1:1 Medical Aide	\$17
Orientation & Mobility	\$66
Parent Training	\$64
School Health Services/Nurse	\$55
School Social Work	\$64
Coordination 2 or more related services	\$64
Assisted Technology Service	\$54
Nutritional Services Home Visit	\$60

Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 225-2018, seconded by Mr. Arquiett and Mr. Paquin, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 226-2018

AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR THE FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST IN THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT CORONERS PROGRAM AND MODIFYING THE 2018 BUDGET FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the responsibility of the Coroners Program falls under the St. Lawrence County Public Health Department, and

WHEREAS, the Forensic Pathologist currently travels to three individual hospitals within St. Lawrence County, thus saving the County the cost of transportation of the bodies to out of county medical examiners, and

WHEREAS, the reimbursement rate for autopsies performed by the Forensic Pathologist has not increased since 2009, and

WHEREAS, after review of the cost savings and other County reimbursement rates, it has been determined that an increase from \$1,200 to \$1,500 (PC011854 43016), per case, is appropriate in the reimbursement rates for the Forensic Pathologist, effective July 1, 2018,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Legislators authorizes an increase in reimbursement rate for the Forensic Pathologist in the St. Lawrence County Public Health Department Coroners Program, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2018 Budget for the Public Health Department, as follows:

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

PC011854 43016	P COR Autopsies	\$15,000
	DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:	
PK040504 46502	P PREK Tuition Payments	\$37,500
	DECREASE REVENUE:	
PK034725 56000	P SA NYSOP 59-5%	\$22,500
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Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 226-2018, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 227-2018

AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE IN REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST TRANSCRIPTION SERVICES IN THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT CORONER PROGRAM AND MODIFYING THE 2018 BUDGET FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the responsibility of the Coroners Program falls under the St. Lawrence County Public Health Department, and

WHEREAS, all autopsy reports for the St. Lawrence County Coroner cases performed by the Forensic Pathologist are transcribed, and

WHEREAS, over time additional work has been added to the transcription process which enables the Forensic Pathologist to provide a quality report, and

WHEREAS, the reimbursement rate for transcription services has not increased since 2001, and

WHEREAS, it has been determined an increase in the transcription rate from \$30 to \$75 (PC011854 43007) per case, effective July 1, 2018, would be more comparable with rates from neighboring counties,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Legislators authorizes an increase in reimbursement rates for forensic pathologist transcription services in the St. Lawrence County Public Health Department Coroners Program, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2018 Budget for the Public Health Department, as follows:

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

PC011854 43007	P COR Other Fees & Services	\$2,250
	DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:	
PK040504 46502	P PREK Tuition Payments	\$5,625
	DECREASE REVENUE:	
PK034725 56000	P SA NYSOP 59-5%	\$3,375

Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 227-2018, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. <u>228-2018</u>

AUTHORIZATION THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS FOR AN ANIMAL RABIES VACCINATION GRANT

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the Public Health Department has received a special grant from the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets for April 1, 2018 – March 31, 2019 in the amount of \$12,500 (PPR34725 56000), and

WHEREAS, due to the continuing problem with rabies in St. Lawrence County and its surrounding neighbors, this grant was awarded to provide reimbursement for additional low-cost rabies animal vaccination clinics to underserved areas in the County, and

WHEREAS, these clinics will provide rabies vaccination to animals to aide in the prevention of the spread of rabies,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets for an Animal Rabies Vaccination Grant, upon approval of the County Attorney.

Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 228-2018, seconded by Mr. Leader, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Services Committee: 5-14-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 229-2018

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A MARKETING AND LICENSING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND WALK WITH A DOC

By Mr. Colbert, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the mission of the Public Health Department is to ensure the health, safety and quality of life for all St. Lawrence County residents, and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Department is dedicated to protecting the health of our community by controlling the spread of disease, promoting healthy choices, promoting timely health information, promoting the health and development of infants and children, and planning for and helping mitigate any public health emergency, and

WHEREAS, local county governments are, by New York state law, required to ensure the delivery of critical core public health services as described above, and

WHEREAS, this agreement will allow the Public Health Department to meet goals noted in the Community Health Assessment Plan, and

WHEREAS, this agreement will require the Public Health Department to schedule twelve (12) walks per year, which will include various venues throughout St. Lawrence County, and

WHEREAS, the fees associated with Walk with a Doc will be paid for by Bridge to Wellness Partners, and will have no cost to the County,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a Marketing and Licensing Agreement between the St. Lawrence County Public Health Department and Walk with a Doc, upon approval of the County Attorney.

Mr. Colbert moved to adopt Resolution No. 229-2018, seconded by Mr. Burke and Ms. Bell, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Finance Committee: 5-21-2018

RESOLUTION NO. <u>230-2018</u>

AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A MOTOR EQUIPMENT OPERATOR POSITION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

By Mr. Timmerman, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, Position No. 310000006, Motor Equipment Operator, was vacated on April 21, 2018, due to promotion, and

WHEREAS, this position is responsible for the operation of motor equipment used in highway repair, construction and maintenance projects, as well as snow and ice removal,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Superintendent of Highways to immediately fill Position No. 310000006, Motor Equipment Operator, in the Department of Highways.

Mr. Timmerman moved to adopt Resolution No. 230-2018, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Finance Committee: 5-21-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 231-2018

ADOPTING MORTGAGE TAX REPORT

By Mr. Timmerman, Chair, Finance Committee

BE IT RESOLVED that the Mortgage Tax Report as submitted by the County Clerk and the County Treasurer is hereby accepted and the County Treasurer is authorized and directed to issue the amounts as set forth in the report to the various tax districts in this County.

Town/Village Brasher	<u>Amount</u> \$5,541.71
Canton Village of Canton	7,531.75
Village of Canton Village of Rensselaer	341.31
Town of Canton	26,928.71
Clare	14.91
Clifton	3,555.37
Colton	23,166.79
Dekalb:	
Village of Richville	147.84
Town of Dekalb	3,792.01
DePeyster	2,299.11
Edwards	5,652.74
Fine	2,118.97
Fowler	7,159.56
Gouverneur:	
Village of Gouverneur	5,654.12
Town of Gouverneur	15,249.56
Hammond:	240.06
Village of Hammond	248.86
Town of Hammond	12,144.06
Hermon: Village of Hermon	dissolved
Town of Hermon	2,744.44
Town of Hermon	2,777,71
Hopkinton	5,223.69
Lawrence	2,722.47
Lisbon	15,013.34
Louisville:	
Village of West Massena	1,282.22
Town of Louisville	13,801.21
Macomb	5,058.73

Madrid	3,781.74
Massena:	15 245 05
Village of Massena	15,345.85
Town of Massena	34,783.46
Morristown:	
Village of Morristown	704.40
Town of Morristown	9,046.55
Norfolk:	
Village of Norwood	96.29
Village of Massena	1.81
Town of Norfolk	14,311.22
Ogdensburg	27,394.01
Oswegatchie:	
Village of Heuvelton	739.75
Town of Oswegatchie	13,097.68
Parishville	6,549.57
Piercefield	1,480.90
Pierrepont	12,141.62
Pitcairn	2,427.16
Potsdam:	
Village of Potsdam	9,022.19
Village of Norwood	2,069.89
Town of Potsdam	36,801.76
Rossie	1,042.25
Russell	4,799.97
Stockholm	10,064.20
Waddington:	
Village of Waddington	2,024.85
Town of Waddington	7,831.69
Totals	\$382,952.29

Mr. Timmerman moved to adopt Resolution No. 231-2018, seconded by Mr. Perkins and Ms. Bell, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Finance Committee: 5-21-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 232-2018

AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A SENIOR ACCOUNT CLERK POSITION IN THE TREASURER'S OFFICE

By Mr. Timmerman, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, this vacancy has been reviewed and recommended by the Vacancy Review Committee to be filled, and now requires approval by the full Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, Position No. 100200028, Senior Account Clerk, will be vacated on May 25, 2018, due to retirement,

WHEREAS, this position is located in payroll and is responsible for entering all payroll changes, adding employees, deduction updates and payments, pay code updates, researching wages for retirement calculations, verifies payroll entries, and other payroll duties,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to immediately fill Position No. 100200028, Senior Account Clerk, in the Treasurer's Office.

Mr. Timmerman moved to adopt Resolution No. 232-2018, seconded by Mr. Lightfoot, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Finance Committee: 5-21-2018

RESOLUTION NO. <u>233-2018</u>

MODIFYING THE 2018 BUDGET FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND COMMUNITY SERVICES TO RESOLVE WORK COMPLETED OUT OF TITLE

By Mr. Timmerman, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, there are periods of time in departments that employees may be asked or assume duties that are not indicated in the job specification for the title that an employee holds, and

WHEREAS, in the situations the potential to compensate the employee when a set time period expires and the duties above the job title held by the employee continue, and

WHEREAS, this situation can be caused by a number of variables including a vacant position or the evolution over time of a transfer of function; it is incumbent upon the supervisor to ensure that the assignment of duties does not exceed the duties prescribed in the job specification, and

WHEREAS, when these situations present themselves, it is necessary to review the duties of the existing title, assess the level of work completed, and provide compensation as prescribed in the bargain agreement, in this case at the base of the rate of the title that would normally complete the task or provide a 4.5% increase to the salary of the employee, whichever is greater,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2018 Budget for the Department of Social Services and Community Services to resolve work completed out of title as follows:

DECREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

B1019904 49700	B SPEC Contingency Account	\$8,391
	INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:	
A1142501 19507 DAS60101 19507	CS Out of Title Pay D Out of Title Pay	\$6,171 <u>2,220</u> \$8,391

Mr. Timmerman moved to adopt Resolution No. 233-2018, seconded by Mr. Burke and Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Finance Committee: 5-21-2018

RESOLUTION NO. 234-2018

ESTABLISHING A STANDARD WORK DAY FOR NEW YORK STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM REPORTING PURPOSES

By Mr. Timmerman, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System established 315.4, a new regulation on retirement reporting for elected and appointed officials which became effective August 12, 2009, and

WHEREAS, on August 19, 2015 there were revisions made to the regulations to help ensure elected and appointed officials receive appropriate service credit, and

WHEREAS, all newly elected or appointed positions that report to the New York State Retirement System are required to complete a 90-day log providing daily time worked and attest to its accuracy, and

WHEREAS, only officials who do not participate in the St. Lawrence County time-keeping system is required to be included on the standard workday resolution,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators establishes a standard work day for New York State Retirement System reporting purposes for the following elected and appointed officials:

Title	Name	Stand ard Work day	Term	Social Security Number (last 4 digits)	Registrati on Number	Tier 1 (Check only if member is Tier 1)	Record of Activiti es Result	Not Submitt ed (Check only if official did not submit ROA)
Corone r	Kevin Crosby	6 hours	1/1/2018- 12/31/20 21		initial pu		18.06	
Corone r	June Wood	6 hours	1/1/2018- 12/31/20 21				4.98	
District Attorn ey	Gary Pasqua	7 hours	1/1/2018- 12/31/20 21	Mad	71-10, 11-1		24.99	

Mr. Timmerman moved to adopt Resolution No. 234-2018, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

RESOLUTION NO. 235-2018

SUPPORTING SENATE BILL S. 8276 AND ASSEMBLY BILL A. 10684
REQUESTING NEW YORK STATE TO ALLOW ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY
HOME RULE AUTHORITY TO GRANT FORMER COUNTY EMPLOYEE,
SCOTT GOODFELLOW, TIER IV STATUS IN THE NEW YORK STATE
AND LOCAL EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEMS AND RESCINDING
RESOLUTION NO. 46-2016; NO. 193-2016; AND NO. 137-2017

By Mr. Timmerman, District 10

WHEREAS, on December 28, 2009, Scott Goodfellow was employed by St. Lawrence County, Sheriff's Office, Correctional Division, and

WHEREAS, filing his retirement membership application December 28, 2009 would have given him Tier IV status in the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement Systems, but due to an administrative error the application was not processed until January 4, 2010, giving him Tier V status, and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 46-2016, Resolution No. 193-2016, and Resolution 137-2017 were previously adopted, home rule forms were completed and filed with the Senate and Assembly for the purpose of granting retroactive Tier IV membership to Scott Goodfellow, but after each attempt, the Bill did not get enacted into law, and

WHEREAS, an act granting retroactive Tier IV membership in the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement Systems to Scott Goodfellow has been introduced by Senator Joseph Griffo known as Senate Bill S. 8276, "An Act Granting Retroactive Tier IV Membership in the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System to Scott Goodfellow", and

WHEREAS, the matching Assembly version of this Bill is A. 10684, and

WHEREAS, Section One of proposed Senate Bill S. 8276 allows Scott Goodfellow to become a member of the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System as a Tier IV Member if he files an application with the New York State Comptroller within one year from the date this act becomes law, and

WHEREAS, Section Two of proposed Senate Bill S. 8276 states any past service costs incurred in implementing the provisions of this act shall be borne by the County of St. Lawrence, and

WHEREAS, in order to effectuate the change in retirement tier status for Scott Goodfellow, St. Lawrence County must request and be granted home rule authority for such a change,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators supports Senate Bill S. 8276 and Assembly Bill A. 10684 requesting New York State to allow St. Lawrence County Home Rule authority to grant former County employee, Scott Goodfellow, Tier IV status in the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement Systems, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the enabling legislation be in the form and content as shown in Senate Bill S. 8276, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Resolution Numbers 46-2016; 193-2016; and 137-2017 previously adopted by the Board of Legislators, but failed to be enacted into law, be rescinded, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Assemblywoman Addie Jenne, Assemblyman Billy Jones, Assemblyman Marc Butler, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, Senator Joseph Griffo, Senator Patricia Ritchie, Senator Elizabeth Little, and four (4) copies of each Home Rule Form, signed and sealed, be forwarded to the Offices of Senator Joseph Griffo and Assemblywoman Addie Jenne.

Mr. Timmerman moved to adopt Resolution No. 235-2018, seconded by Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

RESOLUTION NO. <u>236-2018</u>

AUTHORIZATION TO CREATE AND FILL A PART-TIME MOTOR VEHICLE CLERK POSITION IN THE COUNTY CLERK DEPARTMENT

By Mr. Hooper, District 1

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators reinstated the Vacancy Review Committee on August 13, 2015, which authorized the Committee to review all position requests and make recommendations to the Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, this vacancy has not been reviewed by the Vacancy Review Committee, and due to increased business at the Department of Motor Vehicles, staff is not sufficient to maintain an increase, and to meet the timelines for processing the workload, and

WHEREAS, to enable this position to be created and filled as quickly as possible and to begin processing backlogged paperwork, the Board of Legislators have agreed to approve this position in lieu of the Vacancy Review Committee, and

WHEREAS, this part-time position assists in processing downstate DMV business which will cover the cost of the position entirely and generate substantial revenue for the County,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the County Clerk to immediately create and fill Position No. 009100028, Part-Time Motor Vehicle Clerk, in the County Clerk Department.

Mr. Arquiett moved to adopt Resolution No. 236-2018, seconded by Mr. Denesha, and Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

RESOLUTION NO. 237-2018

ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE LEGISLATIVE SALARY REVIEW COMMITTEE AND ENACTING A SALARY INCREASE FOR ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY LEGISLATORS, THE VICE CHAIR, AND THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF LEGISLATORS TO BE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2019

By Mr. Lightfoot, District 3

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 375-2017 requested a review of the salary provided to Legislators citing eighteen (18) years since any action has been taken to change the existing salaries and that a committee be assembled without ties to legislators or county employment, and

WHEREAS, the Committee took a careful look at many factors, including but not limited to; seventy-five (75) years of legislative salaries in the County, fifty-seven (57) other county legislators/supervisors salaries, mileage paid to legislators, additional committee obligations of legislators, health insurance contributions and cost, salaries for town/village/city officials in the County, eighteen years (18) wage increases for the unions who have been compensated by the County, qualifying benefit information, and an economic profile for the North Country developed by the NYS Comptroller, etc., and

WHEREAS, the 2018 annual salaries provided include; \$9,000 for Legislators, \$11,000 for the Vice Chair, and \$14,000 for the Chair of the Board of Legislators with options for all legislators to receive benefits including enrollment in NYS Retirement and health insurance, and

WHEREAS, the recommendation from the Legislative Salary Review Committee includes an increase of \$3,000 per category; \$12,000 for Legislators, \$14,000 for the Vice Chair, and \$17,000 for the Chair of the Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, the buyout is a new option for County Employees since 2017, who elect not to participate in the health insurance offerings by the County at \$2,000 for individual and \$4,000 for individual with dependents and family coverages, and

WHEREAS, additionally the Committee recommends that a process be implemented whereby each term of the Board of Legislators a review the current salary is conducted and a determination is made for the prospective Board of Legislators effective the following term to either remain at current salary levels or to make a change to the compensation provided,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators accepts the recommendations of the Legislative Salary Review Committee and enacts a salary increase for the St. Lawrence County Legislators, the Vice Chair, and the Chair of the Board of Legislators to be effective January 1, 2019, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the salary increase will be \$3,000 annually for each category (Legislator, Vice Chair, and Chair) \$12,000, \$14,000, and \$17,000, respectively, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each term of the Board of Legislators, consideration will be given to setting the salary for the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators to take effect for the next term.

Mr. Lightfoot moved to adopt Resolution No. 237-2018, seconded by Mr. Forsythe.

Mr. Lightfoot moved to amend the resolution by eliminating the last sentence in the fourth whereas that states "and includes an opportunity for a health insurance buyout of \$3,000 if it is not taken as part of the total compensation package for the position" and to eliminate the complete fifth whereas that states "the buyout is a new option for County Employees, since 2017, who elect not to participate in the health insurance offerings by the County at \$2,000 for individual and \$4,000 for individual with dependents and family coverages," seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a roll call vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, one (1) no vote (Burke), and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Mr. Timmerman moved to amend the resolution to include a be it further resolved stating "the Board of Legislators will not be eligible for health insurance buy out options", seconded by Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Lightfoot, and Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Resolution No. 237-2018 was adopted by a roll call vote with nine (9) yes votes, five (5) no votes (Perkins, Fay, Burke, Arquiett, and Bell), and one (1) absent (Hooper).

RESOLUTION NO. 238-2018

REAPPOINTMENT OF REPUBLICAN ELECTION COMMISSIONER

By Mr. Acres, District 8

WHEREAS, the current term for the Republican Commissioner of Elections expires December 31, 2018, and

WHEREAS, the Republican Committee of St. Lawrence County held a meeting on May 31, 2018, pursuant to the provisions of the Election Law and Rules of the County Committee, and by majority vote recommended Thomas A. Nichols as suitable and qualified for re-appointment to the office of Commissioner of Elections,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators hereby appoints Thomas A. Nichols as the Republican Commissioner of Elections to a four (4) year term to begin on January 1, 2019.

Mr. Acres moved to adopt Resolution No. 238-2018, seconded by Mr. Forsythe and Mr. Lightfoot, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Hooper).

Mr. Leader left the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

Ms. Doyle announced the summer hours for County Employees have begun, and the work day is 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Court System summer hours do not coincide this year with the County, as their work day remains 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. This has created an inconvenience on some County departments.

On May 23rd Excellus and Burnham held a health insurance meeting in which four (4) of the unions were represented. Another meeting is scheduled for June 25th at 3 p.m. with ProAct to look at the pharmaceutical side of health insurance.

Eight (8) positions will be considered at the Vacancy Review Committee held tomorrow.

On Thursday, the NY Conference of Mayors will meet at the Club, and there will be a presentation on Workers Compensation.

Ms. Doyle said she attended the County Administrators Meeting in Syracuse last Friday.

Ms. Doyle said there is information on each Legislator's desks regarding Property Tax Cap, and the prospective estimates, at this time, for the property tax cap looks as if it will be 2% for the first time since 2013.

The Office of Indigent Legal Services gave a presentation on Friday. St. Lawrence County is ahead of most counties with the process, and they are agreeable to a five (5) year contract.

There will be a Labor Management meeting tomorrow afternoon.

Next Wednesday, negotiations will begin with deputies and deputy supervisors.

There is a North Country Redevelopment Task Force meeting scheduled next Thursday, June 14th.

The Audit Committee will meet again on June 25th to discuss and make a recommendation regarding the reserves that were created, and Ms. Doyle said she will be looking for a recommendation from the Audit Committee regarding the Fund Balance Policy.

The Shared Services Panel will be convened again soon.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: There were no committee reports.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS: There was no old/new business.

Mr. Timmerman moved to go into Executive Session at 7:43 p.m. to discuss litigation, negotiations, personnel and appointments, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Hooper and Leader).

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Timmerman moved to go to Open Session at 8:08 p.m., seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Hooper and Leader).

Mr. Arquiett moved to appoint the following individuals to the **EMS Advisory Board**, seconded by Mr. Paquin, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Hooper and Leader).

James Blackburn Jr., Post Office Box 271, Rensselaer Falls 13680; (Term to expire: 12/31/2021) (replacing Kenneth Gardner)

Mark T. Dalton, 37 Judson Street, Canton 13617; (Term to expire: 12/31/2019) (replacing Michael Abrunzo)

Terry Feuka, 52 Farmer Street, Canton 13617; (Term to expire: 4/30/2022) (replacing Paul Schrems)

Aaron Johnson, 12 East Hill Road, South Colton 13687; (Term to expire: 12/31/2021) (replacing Chris Adams)

Mr. Arquiett moved to reappoint the following individuals to the **Fair Housing Task Force**, seconded by Mr. Paquin, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Hooper and Leader).

William T. Jones, 34 Cornell Drive, MAC 418, Canton 13617; (Term to expire: 4/30/2022) Courtnie Toms, 156 Center Street, Massena 13662; (Term to expire: 5/31/2022)

Mr. Colbert moved to appoint the following individuals to the **Alcohol/Substance Abuse Subcommittee**, seconded by Mr. Burke and Mr. Denesha, and carried by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, and two (2) absent (Hooper and Leader).

Kevin Beary, Post Office Box 85, Colton 13625 Emily Marquart, 7 Maple Street, Canton 13617

CHAIR'S APPOINTMENTS: There were no Chair's Appointments.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Acres adjourned the June Full Board Meeting at 8:10 p.m., as there was no further business.