

**Finance & Rules Committee**  
**August 25, 2020**  
**Minutes**

**Members Present:** Committee Chair Michael Montigelli, Legislators Robert Cantwell, William Johnson, Allen Drake, James Nabywaniec, Frances Calarco, Board Chair Scott Gray

**Others Present:** Legislators John Peck and Anthony Doldo, County Administrator Robert Hagemann, Deputy Administrator Sarah Baldwin, County Attorney David Paulsen, Information Technology Director and Conf. Asst. for Fiscal Affairs Gregory Hudson, Watertown Daily Times Reporter Alex Gault, Confidential Secretary Jill Jones

Chairman Montigelli called the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m. and offered privilege of the floor, however no one present wished to speak. The Committee approved the minutes of the July meeting, as written.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Authorizing an Agreement with the New York State Environmental Protection and Spill Compensation Fund Regarding Several Environmental Remediation sites in Jefferson County and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Nabywaniec seconded by Legislator Drake and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Authorizing the Sale of Certain Tax Foreclosure Property to the Town of Champion and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Cantwell seconded by Legislator Drake and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Authorizing Amended Agreement with Davis Vision for Vision and Eye Care Benefits Services Management and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Drake seconded by Legislator Johnson and there being no discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution Amending the 2020 County Budget in Relation to the Workers' Compensation Fund and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by legislator Cantwell and seconded by Legislator Johnson. Legislator Johnson asked if the purpose was the same for a similar amendment that was done earlier this year. Mr. Hagemann advised that it is not the same, this is for background checks and investigations. There being no further discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

Administrator Hagemann advised that an updated version of the next resolution for the TIBA was on legislators desks and it is for a total Line of Credit in the amount of \$6.5 million, including the \$1.5 million authorized earlier this year, and was changed following a TIBA Board

meeting on Friday. He said it does not obligate the County to pay this money back, but permission is needed for TIBA to go out and get the Line of Credit. Chairman Montigelli introduced a resolution for Approval of Line of Credit for the Thousand Islands Bridge Authority and entertained a motion for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Cantwell and seconded by Legislator Johnson. In response to questions Administrator Hagemann advised that the TIBA is in very good shape financially, they do have fund balance, and the organization has representation of both American and Canadian members, there are not two separate organizations or bank accounts. There is uncertainty as to how long the border will be closed, and this would be used in a worst case scenario. Chairman Montigelli said this is not permission from the County for any bank in particular, it is simply permission from the County to go to a bank. There being no further discussion, the Committee agreed to sponsor the resolution as presented.

On a motion by Legislator Johnson seconded by Legislators Nabywaniec and Cantwell and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the following General Services Committee sponsored resolutions:

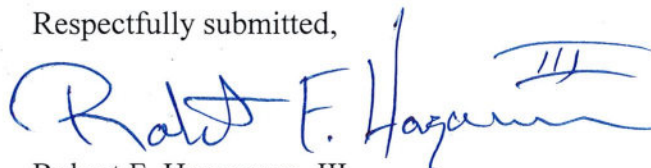
- ✓ Authorizing Agreement in Relation to the FY20 Emergency Management Performance Grant and Amending the 2020 County Budget in Relation Thereto
- ✓ Amending the 2020 County Budget to Recognize Insurance Recovery and Allocating Same in Fire and Emergency Management Department Budget
- ✓ Authorizing the 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 (CR 189 over Grunley Creek), Appropriating Funds Therefor and Amending the 2020 County Budget and Capital Plan

On a motion by Legislator Cantwell seconded by Legislator Johnson, Nabywaniec and unanimously carried, the Committee approved the following Health & Human Services Committee sponsored resolutions:

- ✓ Amending the 2020 County Budget Relative to Office for the Aging
- ✓ Authorizing Agreement with DUFLO SPRAY-CHEMICAL INC Relative to Aerial Spraying to Mitigate Eastern Equine Encephalitis and Amending the 2020 County Budget in Relation Thereto
- ✓ Amending the 2020 County Budget in Relation to Public Health Department Accounts
- ✓ Accepting Funding for New Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity COVID-19 Local Health Department Allocation Funding and Amending the 2020 County Budget in Relation Thereto

There being no further business of the Committee, on a motion by Legislator Nabywaniec seconded by Legislator Johnson and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Robert F. Hagemann, III  
Clerk of the Board