

BOARD SESSION

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2023

PUBLIC HEARING - Local Law Intro No 4 of 2023 - A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 2 of 1994 to Increase the Term of Office for Jefferson County Legislators to Four Years and to Modify the Procedures for the Reapportionment of the Board of Legislators in Accordance Therewith

Tammy Castor, 13467 Depot Street, Adams Center expressed opposition to the Local Law stating that two year terms are better because if you have someone in office that doesn't do what they say they are going to, you don't have to wait four years to vote them out of office.

Gerald Shelton, 16549 Deer Run Rd, Watertown, NY was against increasing the terms from two to four years because he wasn't sure who is running the country right now and said we should hold off until we know what is going on. He asked what the term limits are for these positions. Chairman Johnson said legislators don't normally interact with speakers during Privilege of the Floor, but related that there are no term limits for legislators. Chairman Johnson further clarified that the vote on the Local Law tonight will not approve the Local Law, it will only put it on the November 7, 2023 ballot for voters to decide.

There being no further comments, the public hearing was closed at 6:04 p.m.

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

All members present except Legislator Montigelli.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Linda Tanner, 19874 Miser Rd, Black River, NY and Director of Administrative Services at DSS, expressed her unwavering support for Deputy Commissioner Karen Marcum, a candidate for appointment as Commissioner of Social Services. She described the many attributes of Ms. Marcum that make her uniquely qualified for the position as Commissioner. As Deputy Commissioner she said Ms. Marcum has displayed a remarkable ability to collaborate with different stakeholders, implement effective policies, and address critical issues facing the County with innovative solutions. She said Karen has an unwavering passion for making a positive difference in the lives of our citizens, she is approachable, empathetic, always willing to listen to the concerns of our residents, and has the ability to connect with people from all walks of life. With Ms. Marcum as Commissioner Ms. Tanner was confident that the department would continue to champion transparency, accountability, and inclusiveness. Ms. Tanner wholeheartedly endorsed Ms. Marcum for the position of Commissioner and urged legislators to support her also.

READING OF MINUTES OF LAST SESSION, IF REQUESTED

The minutes of the July Session stand approved in the absence of objection or correction.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

None.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Finance & Rules Committee reported favorably on resolutions referred from other jurisdictional committees.

REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS AND OTHER

The County Treasurer provided a report on Investments and Cash in Banks as of June 30, 2023.

The County Administrator provided a report on Budget Transfers for July.

The Jefferson County Public Health Service provided their Annual Reports for 2019, 2020, and 2021.

LOCAL LAWS, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

Chairman Johnson entertained a motion and second to take Local Law Intro No. 4 of 2023 “A Local Law Amending Local Law No. 2 of 1994 to Increase the Term of Office for Jefferson County Legislators to Four Years and to Modify the Procedures for the Reapportionment of the Board of Legislators in Accordance Therewith”, off the table for approval. Such motion was made by Legislator Jareo seconded by Legislator Doldo and unanimously carried.

Legislator McBride was not in favor of four year terms as they affect the accountability of legislators to the public. He said if you are doing what your constituents want, getting elected every two years is the easiest part of this job, and said he would be voting against the Local Law.

Legislator Peck said the context of his support for the Local Law lies in the fact that legislation was passed by the State, and is awaiting the signature of the Governor, changing all local elections to be held in even years with the state and federal elections, except a few. This was done in an effort to get more voter turnout for local elections, however he believes it is very disingenuous to locals and will result in local elections getting lost in the bigger issues of the state and federal elections. He felt local elections should be separate and distinct. In the short term the decision of the State will result in legislators having to run for election in consecutive

years. He did not see increasing legislators terms as increasing their powers, he saw it as protecting local power from power in Albany; four year terms will give new legislators a chance to learn their job before it is time for them to run for election again. He encouraged people to follow the logic and vote in favor of the four year terms during the public referendum.

Legislator Maxon said he would support the Local Law and send it to the electorate to decide as it really is a matter of preference, there isn't any right or wrong answer. He understood the State's idea that changing local elections to coincide with State and Federal elections to increase voter turn out may be a positive, because the primary in his district was decided by only 12% of registered voters.

There being no further discussion, all members present voted aye on Local Law Intro No. 4 of 2023, except Legislators McBride and Ferris who voted nay.

Resolution No. 185

Authorizing Agreement Extension and Increase for the New York State Board of Elections Technology Innovation and Election Resource Grant and Amending the 2023 County Budget in Relation Thereto

By Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Whereas, By Resolution 169 of 2021, this Board of Legislators authorized an agreement with the NYS Board of Elections to accept a Technology Innovation and Election Resource Grant in the amount of \$94,377.30 for the period of April 7, 2021 through January 27, 2023, and

Whereas, The purpose of said grant is to provide technology and software updates and equipment related to voting systems, and

Whereas, There are remaining funds included in the 2023 County Budget for which the NYS Board of Elections will extend the contract for the period of January 28, 2023 through January 28, 2024, and

Whereas, Additional funding of \$85,336.66 has been awarded for which the contract period will be January 28, 2023 through January 28, 2024.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County hereby accepts said funding and the Chairman of the Board is authorized to execute said amended agreement and extension on behalf of Jefferson County, subject to approval by the County Attorney as to form and content, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2023 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue
01145000 93089 State Aid Other General Government \$85,336.66

Expenditure
01145000 02100 Equipment \$75,536.66
01145000 04119 Computer Software 9,800.00

Seconded by Legislator: Allen T. Drake

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Ferris, Grant, Peck, Reed, Nabywaniec, Doldo, Jareo, Maxon, McBride, Calarco,
Cantwell, Potter, Drake, Johnson

Absent: Montigelli

Resolution passed.

Resolution No. 186

Reappointing Member to Jefferson Community College Board of Trustees

By Legislator: Frances A. Calarco

Resolved, That, pursuant to Section 6306 of the Education Law, the following individual is hereby reappointed to the Jefferson Community College Board of Trustees for a term to expire as indicated.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term</u>
Michael W. Crowley	6/30/2030

Seconded by Legislator: Robert W. Cantwell, III

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 187

Appointing County Highway Superintendent

By Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Resolved, That, pursuant to Section 100 of the Highway Law and Local Law No. 7 of 1969, James L. Lawrence, Jr. be and is hereby appointed as Superintendent of Highways for a term to expire September 4, 2027.

Seconded by Legislator: Allen T. Drake

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 188

Appointing Commissioner of Social Services

By Legislator: Robert W. Cantwell, III

Whereas, The current Commissioner of Social Services will retire on August 18 of this year, and

Whereas, Pursuant to Local Law No. 10 of 1986, the County Administrator in concurrence with the interview committee has recommended Karen Marcum for appointment as Commissioner of Social Services as of August 19, under the terms of compensation identified below and incorporated as part of this resolution, and consistent with the Management Compensation Schedule adopted annually by separate resolution.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, Pursuant to Section 116 of the Social Services Law, Karen Marcum be and is hereby appointed Commissioner of Social Services at level A of Grade II (\$93,545 annualized for 2023) plus longevities, for a five year term effective August 19, said term to expire August 18, 2028.

It is mutually understood that this compensation package is supplemented by the standard fringe benefit package for management employees which would include employer provided health insurance, standard leave benefits, mileage reimbursement, etc. in accordance with the management policy manual.

Seconded by Legislator: Allen T. Drake

Legislator McBride said his company recently became employee owned and he has been through some training recently. He read a statement defining bad management noting that bad management can impact employees and a company's overall operations.

Chairman Johnson requested a roll call vote on the resolution.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Peck, Cantwell, Jareo, Calarco, Reed, Drake, Nabywaniec, Johnson

Nays: Grant, Potter, Ferris, Doldo, Maxon, McBride

Absent: Montigelli

Resolution passed.

Resolution No. 189

Authorizing an Agreement with Primecare Medical of New York for Provision of Comprehensive Healthcare Services for the Jefferson County Correctional Facility, Deleting Positions and Amending the 2023 County Budget in Relation Thereto

By Legislator: Robert W. Cantwell, III

Whereas, There have been increasing challenges in providing medical care to inmates of the Jefferson County Correctional Facility, and

Whereas, A Request for Proposals was issued by the Purchasing Department at the request of the County Sheriff for comprehensive healthcare services for the Jefferson County Correctional Facility, and

Whereas, The Sheriff has recommended Primecare Medical of New York as the preferred provider of said services for an initial term of three years starting October 1, 2023, with the possibility of extending for up to two additional one-year terms, and

Whereas, The first year cost will be no more than \$2,705,858 plus pass through operational costs estimated at \$226,000, the second and third year increases of 3% each year, and the possible extensions under the same terms and conditions, and

Whereas, The said contracted services will replace existing medical-related Jail positions.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County enter into an agreement with Primecare Medical of New York for said services for the period of October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2026 with the option of two one-year extensions if approved by both parties as noted above, and be it further

Resolved, That the positions of Jail Physician (3150-045), Physician's Assistant (3150-066 & -073), and Registered Professional Nurse (3150-074, -076, -094 & -095), be deleted effective October 1, 2023, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute such agreement on behalf of the County subject to the approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2023 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Expenditure

01315000 04413

Medical Fees

\$676,465

Decrease:

Expenditure		
01199000 04963	Contingent Account	\$315,918
01315000 01100	Personal Services	348,807
01315000 01110	Temporary	11,740

Seconded by Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 190

Amending the 2023 County Budget and Capital Plan in Relation to the Watertown International Airport Runway 28 Medium-Intensity Approach Lighting System with Runway Alignment Indicator Lights (MALSR)

By Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Whereas, By Resolution 272 of 2022, This Board of Legislators authorized an agreement with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and New York State Department of Transportation (NYDOT), and

Whereas, By the same Resolution, This Board authorized an agreement with Baseline King Corporation, Inc. for the same project in the amount of \$3,748,519.05, and

Whereas, The Federal Aviation Administration has requested and authorized a change order associated with perimeter access points and precision approach surface markings to Runway 28 to facilitate the production of the amended Area Navigation (RNAV) Instrument Approach Procedure Runway 28 by the Eastern Service Center of the FAA Flight Procedures Team (FPT), and

Whereas, It is necessary to provide a Change Order for Baseline King Corporation in the amount of \$54,166.56, and to recognize additional federal and state revenue for this project.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2023 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue		
20900600 94589	Federal Aid – Airport Capital Projects	\$48,749.90
20900600 93589	Airport State Aid – DOT	\$ 2,708.33

Expenditure		
20561000 02097	Airfield Lighting	\$54,166.56

Decrease:

20561000 02001 Airport Facility

\$ 2,708.33

and be it further

Resolved, That the six year capital plan is amended accordingly.

Seconded by Legislator: John D. Peck

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Peck, Doldo, Drake, Cantwell, Jareo, Nabywaniec, Grant, Potter, Maxon,
McBride, Reed, Calarco, Ferris, Johnson

Absent: Montigelli

Resolution passed.

Resolution No. 191

Recognizing NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services GIVE Grant Award to the District Attorney's Office and Amending the 2023 County Budget in Relation Thereto

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, The Jefferson County District Attorney's Office has been awarded an NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services Gun Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) Grant in the amount of \$223,033, and

Whereas, The GIVE initiative provides for preventative and enforcement strategies to focus efforts on hot spot policing, deterrence through community outreach and resource alignment, and specialized training, and

Whereas, Said grant will be used to partially offset salaries of existing positions, training, community engagement and contracted GIVE coordination.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County hereby accepts said grant award, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents as may be required to fulfill the requirements of this grant award on behalf of Jefferson County, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2023 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue		
01116500 93389	State Aid - Other Public Safety	\$223,033

Expenditure		
01116500 04313	Travel	\$ 2,500
01116500 04416	Professional Fees	95,547
01116500 04613	Training	7,500

Decrease:

01000000 30599	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$117,486
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Seconded by Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Reed, Ferris, Grant, Doldo, Peck, Maxon, Jareo, Cantwell, Calarco, Drake, McBride, Nabywaniec, Potter, Johnson

Absent: Montigelli

Resolution passed.

Resolution No. 192

**Amending the 2023 County Budget to Recognize Insurance Recovery
and Allocating Same in Dog Control Department Budget**

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, The Dog Control Department has received an insurance settlement check in the amount of \$18,000 for damage to a county vehicle, and has requested that the settlement be used to purchase Mobile Data Terminals for four of the current Dog Control vehicles.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2023 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue		
01351000 92680	Insurance Recoveries	\$18,000

Expenditure		
01351000 04111	Trackable Durable Expendables	\$18,000

Seconded by Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Maxon, McBride, Reed, Nabywaniec, Peck, Cantwell, Ferris, Drake, Jareo, Potter, Doldo, Calarco, Grant, Johnson

Absent: Montigelli

Resolution passed.

Resolution No. 193

Accepting Donation for the Dog Control Department and Amending the 2023 County Budget in Relation Thereto

By Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Whereas, The Jefferson County Dog Control Department has received donations in the amount of \$280, and

Whereas, The donations will be used to purchase equipment for the dog control program.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That pursuant to County Law Section 215(3), this Board of Legislators does hereby gratefully accept said donations, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2023 County Budget is amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue			
01351000 92716	Dog Control Donations		\$280

Expenditure			
01351000 04518	Canine Supplies		\$280

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Potter, Drake, Nabywaniec, Peck, Ferris, McBride, Grant, Cantwell, Maxon, Calarco, Jareo, Doldo, Reed, Johnson

Absent: Montigelli

Resolution passed.

Resolution No. 194

Authorizing an Agreement With Tetra Tech Services for Consulting and Plan Development Support for the Jefferson County Office of Fire and Emergency Management

By Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Whereas, Jefferson County issued a request for proposals for a master services agreement with the County Office of Fire and Emergency Management to support the County with the development of emergency plans, facilitation of emergency services exercises, and to provide support in the event of an actual disaster response, and

Whereas, Said Master Services agreement will be available for utilization by all Jefferson County Departments, as well as first response agencies, at the expense of such outside agency, and

Whereas, The County reviewed all proposals submitted and determined the best proposal was provided by Tetra Tech Services, and

Whereas, Contractual costs will be determined as per the hourly fee schedule as proposed based on time of Tetra Tech staff for distinct project assignments including NYS mandated and grant funded plans, and

Whereas, The term of the agreement shall be for three years from date of execution, with two extensions of one year each possible with written approval of both parties.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, That Jefferson County enter into an agreement with Tetra Tech Services for the services set forth in the request for proposals, and be it further

Reserved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute such agreement on behalf of Jefferson County, subject to the approval of the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 195

Authorizing 2023-2027 Intergovernmental Agreements Between Jefferson County and Its Towns Relative to Road and Bridge Maintenance Services; Construction and Reconstruction of Roads; and Sanding, Snow and Ice Removal

By Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Whereas, The County's road, bridge and snow removal programs rely heavily on the use of Town

Highway Departments, and

Whereas, The Board of Legislators has established policies governing the use of local municipal highway and public works departments to further the County programs, and

Whereas, In the interest of budgetary and operational stability, the County desires to enter into a five year agreement with the Towns for the provision of services needed to implement the aforesaid County programs.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That, Pursuant to Section 119-o of the General Municipal Law, the Chairman of the Board is hereby authorized to execute agreements with the Towns for this purpose, subject to approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, under the same provisions currently in effect, with the following exceptions: the base per mile reimbursement for snow removal for all Towns shall be \$7,000 in 2023, and then increased by the CPI-W annually (with a minimum increase of 2% each year and a maximum of 4%), as determined by the average of the monthly rates for the preceding October - September period; the base rate of \$3.50 per gallon will also be subject to change based on OGS diesel fuel prices (\$100 per mile change for every increase/decrease of \$0.50 change in fuel price), and salt prices of \$80 per ton (\$100 per mile change for every increase/decrease of \$10/ton change in salt price). In addition, summer rental rates for tandem-axle dump trucks shall be \$60 per hour, single-axle trucks shall be \$30 per hour, and all other equipment shall be reimbursed at the established DOT rates.

Seconded by Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 196

Amending the 2023 County Budget and Capital Plan in Relation to the Highway Department Consolidated Highway Funding

By Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Whereas, The New York State Governor and Legislature have reached an agreement on the State FY 2023-2024 Consolidated Local Street and Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS), and

Whereas, The funding includes \$3,437,087.56 over and above the 2023 Adopted County Budget apportioned across regular CHIPS, paving and extreme winter recovery, and

Whereas, The County Highway Superintendent has requested that this additional revenue be recognized and appropriated into various Highway Department and Capital accounts.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2023 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue		
05900300 93501	Consolidated Highway Aid	\$3,437,087.56
Expenditure		
05331000 04480	Highway Pavement Marking	\$ 200,000.00
05331000 04585	Operating Supplies	30,000.00
05511000 04686	Hired Machines	200,000.00
05511200 04930	Paving County Roads	2,007,087.56
20511300 02810	Yellow Flagged Repair	1,000,000.00
Transfers		
05995000 09007	Transfer to Capital Bridges	\$1,000,000.00
20900600 950315	Interfund Transfer Roads	1,000,000.00

and be it further

Resolved, That the six year capital plan is hereby amended accordingly.

Seconded by Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Roll Cal Vote

Ayes: Jareo, Grant, McBride, Maxon, Reed, Cantwell, Nabuywaniec, Calarco, Potter, Doldo, Drake, Ferris, Peck, Johnson

Absent: Montigelli

Resolution passed.

Resolution No. 197

Amending the 2023 County Budget in Relation to Recycling and Waste Management

By Legislator: John D. Peck

Whereas, Per Resolution 156, This Board of Legislators appropriated Enterprise Fund fund balance to pay for the repair to the Maintenance Shop damaged in the December wind and snow event, and

Whereas, Insurance recovery funds have been received to cover the cost, less the \$5,000 deductible, and need to be recognized.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2023 Budget is amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue
15910100 92680 Insurance Recoveries \$158,600

Decrease:

Fund Balance
15000000 30599 Appropriated Fund Balance \$158,600

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Maxon, Ferris, Peck, Cantwell, Jareo, Grant, Calarco, Reed, Nabywaniec, Doldo,
Drake, McBride, Potter, Johnson

Absent: Montigelli

Resolution passed.

Resolution No. 198

Amending the 2023 County Budget in Relation to Recycling & Waste Management

By Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Whereas, By Resolutions 111 and 137, This Board of Legislators allocated \$500,000 of American Rescue Plan Act funding towards a replacement baler at the Transfer Station, and

Whereas, \$300,000 additional is needed to cover the purchase.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2023 Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Expenditure
15816000 02410 Baler \$300,000

Fund Balance
15000000 30599 Appropriated Fund Balance \$300,000

Seconded by Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Reed, McBride, Doldo, Grant, Potter, Peck, Jareo, Nabywaniec, Calarco, Drake,

Cantwell, Maxon, Ferris, Johnson

Absent: Montigelli

Resolution passed.

Resolution No. 199

Approving Appointment to the Jefferson County Planning Board

By Legislator: John D. Peck

Resolved, That pursuant to Section 239-c of the General Municipal Law, the following individual is hereby appointed to the Jefferson County Planning Board to fill a vacant term that expires December 31, 2025.

John Stinson

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 200

Authorizing an Agreement with AutoMon, LLC

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, The Probation Department utilizes a web-based software program for case management services through AutoMon, LLC known as Caseload Explorer to provide technical support services to Probation related to this program, and

Whereas, AutoMon, LLC has been awarded the contract to provide software associated with this program, and the expense is already included in the Adopted 2023 County Budget.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County desires to enter into an agreement with AutoMon, LLC for said services for the period August 10, 2023 through August 9, 2024, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the County, subject to the review of the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 201

Recognizing NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services GIVE Grant Award to the Probation Department and Amending the 2023 County Budget in Relation Thereto

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, The Jefferson County Probation Department has been awarded an NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services Gun Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) Grant in the amount of \$100,798, and

Whereas, The GIVE initiative provides for preventative and enforcement strategies to focus efforts on hot spot policing, deterrence through community outreach and resource alignment, and specialized training, and

Whereas, Said grant will be used to partially offset salary and fringe benefits of existing positions and for overtime costs, electronic monitoring and training.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County hereby accepts said grant award, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents as may be required to fulfill the requirements of this grant award on behalf of Jefferson County, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2023 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue		
01314000 93389	State Aid - Other Public Safety	\$100,798
Expenditure		
01314000 01300	Overtime	\$ 10,000
01314000 04313	Travel	2,000
01314000 04419	Electronic Home Detention	10,000
01314000 04613	Training	2,000

Decrease:

01000000 30599	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ 76,798
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Seconded by Legislator: John D. Peck

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Maxon, Doldo, Drake, Calarco, Nabywaniec, McBride, Peck, Jareo, Potter, Cantwell, Reed, Ferris, Grant, Johnson

Absent: Montigelli

Resolution passed.

Resolution No. 202

Recognizing NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services GIVE Grant Award to the Sheriff's Office and Amending the 2023 County Budget in Relation Thereto

By Legislator: John D. Peck

Whereas, The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office has been awarded an NYS Division of Criminal Justice Services Gun Involved Violence Elimination (GIVE) Grant in the amount of \$34,117, and

Whereas, The GIVE initiative provides for preventative and enforcement strategies to focus efforts on hot spot policing, deterrence through community outreach and resource alignment, and specialized training, and

Whereas, Said grant will be used for Sheriff's overtime costs, community engagements and specialized training.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County hereby accepts said grant award, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents as may be required to fulfill the requirements of this grant award on behalf of Jefferson County, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2023 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue		
01311000 93389	State Aid - Other Public Safety	\$34,117

Expenditure		
01311000 01300	Overtime	\$24,117
01311000 04313	Travel	2,500
01311000 04613	Training	7,500

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Potter, Peck, Doldo, Cantwell, Jareo, Drake, Nabywaniec, Maxon, Ferris, Grant, Reed, McBride, Calarco, Johnson

Absent: Montigelli

Resolution passed.

Resolution No. 203

Amending the 2023 County Budget to Allocate Additional State Aid for Community Services Programs

By Legislator: Frances A. Calarco

Whereas, The New York State Office of Addiction Services and Supports has approved an additional State Aid allocation for a 4% cost of living adjustment effective April 1, 2023, and

Whereas, The New York State Office of Mental Health has approved an additional State Aid allocation for a 4% cost of living adjustment effective April 1, 2023, and also additional State Aid to increase the bed stipend for Supported Housing, and

Whereas, The 2023 County Budget needs to be amended to reflect the current funding levels and additional funds.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2023 County Budget is amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue

01431000 93484	State Aid - Alcohol & Substance Abuse	\$104,601
01431000 93489	State Aid - OMH - Children's Home	20,759
01431000 93490	State Aid - Mental Health	108,250

Expenditure:

01431000 04732	Children's Home - Jeff. Co.	\$ 20,759
01432000 04702	Credo Foundation	70,533
01432000 04703	Substance Abuse Council	34,154
01432000 04707	CMHC Outpatient	818
01432000 04711	Carthage Area Hospital	1,674
01432000 04712	Contracted Mental Health Prog	1,499
01432000 04714	NCTLS Reinvestment	40,112
01432000 04717	CMH Forensics	4,254
01432000 04718	JRC Employment	15,172

01432000 04721	Mental Health Assn	18,657
01432000 04728	Samaritan Medical Center	2,572
01432000 04732	Children's Home - Jeff Co	23,406

Seconded by Legislator: John D. Peck

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: McBride, Nabywaniec, Potter, Maxon, Reed, Doldo, Ferris, Grant, Jareo, Cantwell, Drake, Peck, Calarco, Johnson

Absent: Montigelli

Resolution passed.

Resolution No. 204

Amending the 2023 County Budget Relative to Community Services Department

By Legislator: Steel E. Potter

Whereas, Additional appropriations are needed to cover current and future care, maintenance and examination services to patients placed in NYS Office of Mental Health psychiatric facilities pursuant to County Criminal or Family Court Orders, and

Whereas, The costs for services are entirely a Jefferson County expense, and the Director of Community Services has estimated the costs through September to be re-visited at that time.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2023 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

01439000 04413	Medical Fees - Court Commitments	\$500,000
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Decrease:

01199000 04963	Contingent Account	\$500,000
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Seconded by Legislator: Corey Y. Grant

Legislator Maxon questioned if this amount will get us only through September, and not through the rest of the year, and if so, how many people are receiving these services. Administrator Hagemann confirmed this was only through September, and there are currently seven people receiving services. Community Services Director Tim Ruetten confirmed that

seven people are currently receiving restorative care ordered by the State, and said it is a problem statewide and there aren't very many beds that are available. One person recently was taken off care, but he said it is up in the air as to how many will continue to need that care through the end of the year, but he anticipated it might be between four and six.

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 205

**Authorizing Agreement with Samaritan Medical Center for Participation with
Low Income Drug Discount Benefits Through Section 340B of the
Public Health Services Act**

By Legislator: Frances A. Calarco

Whereas, the United States Congress has authorized a discounted prescription drug benefit under the Public Health Services Act, Section 340B, for low income individuals who are not in receipt of Medicare or State Medicaid, and

Whereas, Public and private health care agencies may enroll in said program, however private health care providers must enter into an agreement with a governmental unit as a condition of eligibility for participation in the program, and

Whereas, Such Agreement requires no commitment on the part of the County other than to verify that the health care agency serves the target patient population, and

Whereas, By Resolution 175 of 2019, and 237 of 2021 this Board of Legislators authorized an agreement with Samaritan Medical Center for the purpose of establishing its eligibility for participating in the 340B program, and

Whereas, Samaritan Medical Center has requested that the agreement be renewed for another two years.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with Samaritan Medical Center for a period October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2025 for the purposes set forth above, subject to the approval of the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Allen T. Drake

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 206

**Amending the 2023 County Budget Relative to Public Health Department
Home Health Accounts**

By Legislator: John D. Peck

Whereas, The Public Health Professional Fees account is projected to be overspent by year's end due to prorating of hosting services for electronic visit verification data costs that are higher than anticipated, and

Whereas, Funds are available for transfer within the Public Health Department Personal Services account due to vacancies.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the 2023 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

01405000 04416	Professional Fees	\$28,000
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Decrease:

01405000 01100	Personal Services	\$28,000
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Seconded by Legislator: Steel E. Potter

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 207

**Amending the 2023 County Budget Relative to Public Health Department
EMS Accounts**

By Legislator: John D. Peck

Whereas, Advertising the Community Paramedicine program pilot to raise awareness has cost more that was originally budgeted, and

Whereas, Funds are available for transfer within the departmental EMS unit to cover the cost through year end. .

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the 2023 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

01405700 04415	Advertising	\$12,000
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Decrease:

01405700 04416	Professional Fees	\$12,000
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Seconded by Legislator: Frances A. Calarco

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 208

Amending the 2023 County Budget in Relation to Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Reopening Schools Grant Award

By Legislator: John D. Peck

Whereas, By Resolutions 165 and 308 of 2021, this Board of Legislators accepted an Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity grant award to maintain open schools by implementing and supporting school-based COVID-19 screening and testing for the period of June 1, 2021 through July 31, 2022 and

Whereas, By Resolutions 205 and 330 of 2022, this Board extended the grant period through July 21, 2023 and increased allowable purchase of supplies as provided for by New York State, and

Whereas, The anticipated use of funds has been well below expected across NYS due to so much testing having been provided at no cost resulting in the allowable purchases having been greatly expanded to include other mitigation strategies, and

Whereas, The County will be reimbursed for more items such as air filtration equipment that will be used in schools.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2023 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue		
01405000 94489	Fed Aid Other Health	\$426,677

Expenditure		
01405100 04416	Professional Fees	\$426,677

Seconded by Legislator: Steel E. Potter

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: McBride, Doldo, Peck, Reed, Jareo, Cantwell, Calarco, Ferris, Maxon, Grant, Nabywaniec, Drake, Potter, Johnson

Absent: Montigelli

Resolution passed.

Chairman Johnson entertained a motion and second to waive Standing Rules 35 and 60 to permit the introduction of two additional resolutions for consideration. A motion was duly made by Legislator Ferris seconded by Legislator Nabywaniec and unanimously carried.

Resolution No. 209

Amending Resolution 113 of 1965 to Increase Taxes on Sales and Uses of Tangible Personal Property and Certain Services, on Occupancy of Hotel Rooms and on Amusement Charges Pursuant to Article 29 of the Tax Law of the State of New York.

By Legislator: Patrick R. Jareo

Be It Resolved by the Board of Legislators of the County of Jefferson, as follows:

Section 1. Section 4-A of Resolution No. 113, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Jefferson on July 12, 1965, imposing sales and compensating use taxes, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

Section 4-A Imposition of additional rate of sales and compensating use taxes.

Pursuant to the authority of section 1210 of the Tax Law, in addition to the sales and compensating use taxes imposed by sections 2 and 4 of this resolution, there is hereby imposed and there shall be paid an additional one percent rate of sales and compensating use taxes, for the period beginning December 1, 2015, and ending November 30, 2025. Such additional taxes shall be identical to the taxes imposed by such sections 2 and 4 and shall be administered and collected in the same manner as such taxes. All of the provisions of this resolution relating or applicable to the administration and collection of the taxes imposed by such sections 2 and 4 shall apply to the additional taxes imposed by this section, including the applicable transitional provisions, limitations, special provisions, exemptions, exclusions, refunds and credits as are set forth in this resolution, with the same force and effect as if those provisions had been incorporated in full into this section and had expressly referred to the additional taxes imposed by this section.

Section 2. Subdivision (c) of section 14 of Resolution No 113, enacted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Jefferson on July 12, 1965, imposing sales and use taxes, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

- (c) Net collections from the additional one percent rate of tax imposed for the period of December 1, 2015 through November 30, 2025, shall be set aside for County purposes or allocated and distributed according to the agreement between the County of Jefferson and City of Watertown, dated January 10, 2005, pursuant to Section 1262(c) of the New York State Tax Law.

Section 3. This resolution shall take effect on December 1, 2023.

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 210

Transferring Dog Control Operation Responsibilities Out of Fire & Emergency Management Office, Establishing a Supervising Dog Control Officer Position and Amending the 2023 County Budget in Relation Thereto

By Legislator: Robert W. Cantwell, III

Whereas, By Resolution 47 of 2020, This Board of Legislators consolidated Dog Control operational responsibilities within the Fire & Emergency Management Office, and

Whereas, An ad hoc committee on Dog Control was formed by the Chairman of the Board of Legislators June 6th to review a report from New York State Agriculture & Markets and make recommendations to the Board, and

Whereas, Said review indicated improvements which will be needed to meet the new New York State requirements to take effect in 2025, and

Whereas, The committee recommends transferring Dog Control operational responsibilities back to the Dog Control Department and establishing a management position to accommodate those responsibilities.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That a new position of Supervising Dog Control Officer be created in the Dog Control Department (3510-007) at Grade VIII of the Management Schedule, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2023 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue		
01351000 92268	Dog Control - Other Gov'ts	\$32,038
Expenditure		
01351000 01100-007	Personal Services	\$19,549
01351000 08010	Retirement	2,530
01351000 08020	Health Benefits	8,464
01601000 08030	Social Security	1,495

Seconded by Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

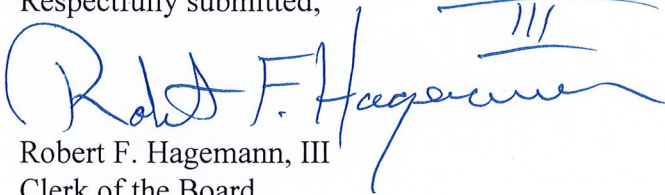
All members present voted aye.

Legislator Peck questioned if this was the full salary for the position. Administrator

Hagemann advised it is within the Grade VIII salary range and this is a prorated amount. There being no further discussion, all members present voted aye.

There being no further business to come before the Board, on a motion by Legislator Maxon seconded by Legislator Ferris and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Robert F. Hagemann, III". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R" and "H". Above the signature, there are three vertical lines, possibly representing a stamp or a mark.

Robert F. Hagemann, III
Clerk of the Board