#### **REGULAR SESSION**

### **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2024**

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

#### **ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS**

All members present except Legislators Ferris and Potter.

### **Public Hearing**

#### Local Law Intro No. II of 2024

Chairman Johnson called the public hearing to order at 6:01 p.m. however no one present wished to speak and the public hearing was closed.

#### PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

No one present wished to address the Board.

# READING OF MINUTES OF LAST SESSION, IF REQUESTED

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

# PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

A letter of appreciation was received from Jefferson County Hospice for the Board's contribution in memory of Douglas Reed.

#### 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 July 31, 2024.

The County Administrator provided a report on Budget Transfers for the month of August, 2024.

Legislator Ferris arrived at the meeting.

#### LOCAL LAWS, RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

#### Local Law Intro No. II of 2024

# A LOCAL LAW AUTHORIZING 12 AND 13 YEAR OLD LICENSED HUNTERS TO HUNT DEER WITH A FIREARM OR CROSSBOW DURING HUNTING SEASON WITH THE SUPERVISION OF AN ADULT LICENSED HUNTER

By Legislator: Corey Y. Grant

Be it Enacted, by the Jefferson County Board of Legislators as follows:

# Section 1. Legislative Intent

The intent of this Local Law is to authorize Jefferson County to permit 12 and 13 year old individuals to participate in the new hunting opportunities provided by Environment Conservation Law § 11-0935. The enacted 2021-2022 New York State Budget, included a pilot program, allowing the opportunity for young hunters, ages 12 and 13, to hunt deer with firearms and crossbow through 2023 if a county authorizes such action within their municipality by local law. An extender has since been enacted extending the pilot through 2025, and requiring the passage of an additional local law. Jefferson County is passing this local law as hunting is a valued tradition for many families, and this new opportunity allows experienced, adult hunters to introduce the values of hunting to the next generation. Furthermore, teaching young people safe, responsible, and ethical hunting practices will ensure a rewarding experience for the youth, while providing quality food to families and contributing to important deer population control practices.

### **Section 2. Pilot Program Authorization**

Pursuant to Environmental Conservation Law § 11-0935, Jefferson County elects to participate in the temporary program to allow for young hunters, ages twelve (12) and thirteen (13), to hunt deer with a firearm, to include rifles, shotguns, and muzzle loaded firearms or crossbow through 2025.

# **Section 3. State Requirements**

Twelve (12) and thirteen (13) year old licensed hunters shall be allowed to hunt deer subject to the following requirements:

• Twelve (12) and thirteen (13) year old licensed hunters shall be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian, or person designated in writing by such parent or legal guardian on a form prescribed by the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, who is twenty

one years of age or older; and

- Such parent, guardian or person has had at least three years experience in deer hunting;
   and
- Such parent, guardian or person holds a hunting license; and
- Such parent, guardian or person maintains physical control over the minor at all times while hunting. For purposes of this paragraph "physical control" shall mean that the physical proximity of such minor to the parent, guardian, or person is such that the parent, guardian or person is reasonably able to issue verbal directions and instructions, maintain constant visual contact, and otherwise provide guidance and supervision to the minor; and
- Such parent, guardian, or person and the minor remain at ground level at all times while hunting; and
- Such parent, guardian or person and the minor shall each display either a minimum total of two hundred fifty square inches of solid fluorescent orange or pink or patterned fluorescent orange or pink consisting of no less than fifty percent fluorescent orange or pink material worn above the waist and visible from all directions, or a hat or cap with no less than fifty percent of the exterior consisting of solid fluorescent orange or pink material and visible from all directions.

### **Section 4.** Local Law Filing Requirements

A copy of this local law shall be sent to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation as well as the NYS Department of State.

#### Section 5. Severability Clause

If any part of this local law is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not effect the remainder of this law. The County hereby declares that it would have passed this local law and each section or subsection thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more of these sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases may be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

#### **Section 6. Effective Date**

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing with the Office of the Secretary of State of the State of New York in accordance with Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule.

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferrs

Chairman Johnson entertained a motion and second to take Local Law Intro No. II off the table for action. A motion was duly made by Legislator Peck seconded by Legislator Bartlett-Bearup and unanimously carried. There being no debate, the Board unanimously approved the Local Law and it became Local Law No. 3 of 2024.

#### Resolution No. 243

# Authorizing the Chairman of the Board to Execute Future Energy Agreements Related to Electricity and Natural Gas

By Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Whereas, Jefferson County purchases electricity and natural gas at fixed rates, and

Whereas, due to the volatility of the energy markets, rates can change daily, and

Whereas, In order to act expeditiously and in the best interest of the County, it is advantageous to have the flexibility to enter agreements when rates become favorable, and

Whereas, The intent of this purchasing action is to achieve savings in the costs of electricity and natural gas that is delivered to the County over the distribution lines of the local electrical or Natural Gas utility, and

Whereas, Said utility will continue to provide delivery services of the electricity or natural gas in conformance with the regulations of the NYS Public Service Commission, and

Whereas, Agreements will provide savings and/or rate stability to the County and meet NYS General Municipal Law bidding requirements.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board is hereby authorized and directed to execute, as necessary from time to time, agreements for electricity and natural gas supply with the vendor who offers the lowest rate to the County, under the terms and conditions set forth in the agreements submitted by such vendor, subject to the approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board may execute future agreements for electricity or natural gas and related services, as set forth above, whenever necessary and appropriate.

Seconded by Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

All members present voted aye.

**Resolution No. 244** 

# Amending the 2024 County Budget in Relation to the Section 5311 Grant For Jefferson County Rural Public Transportation

By Legislator: Robert W Cantwell, III

Whereas, By Resolution 292 of 2022 the County adopted the Jefferson County Coordinated Transportation Plan which describes development and implementation of a Countywide public transportation system in coordination with the City of Watertown system, and

Whereas, By Resolution 310 of 2022 the County submitted a grant application for funds to the New York State Department of Transportation, pursuant to Section 5311, Title 49 United States Code, to receive capital funds to provide mobility management services for rural Jefferson County for the 2023 and 2024 fiscal years and to procure buses to provide rural public transportation, and

Whereas, Jefferson County has been awarded a Mass Transportation Capital Grant in the amount of \$1,211,422.00 for the purpose outlined above, and

Whereas, 5311 funds require for a 10% local share to be committed, and

Whereas, the local share for mobility management will be covered by the contract with the mobility manager, and

Whereas, the expectation is that the local share for the capital purchases will be covered either by the third party operator upon the award of a contract, or through advertising.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved that the 2024 County Budget be amended as follows:

#### Increase:

Revenue 01563000 93594	St Aid Bus Transportation	\$121,143
01563000 94594	Fed Aid Bus Transportation	969,138
01563000 92705	Local Source Donations	21,501
01000000 30599	Appropriated Fund Balance	99,640
Expenditure		
01563000 02402	Buses	\$996,407
01563000 04416	Professional Fees-External	215,015

Seconded by Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Reed, Bartlett-Bearup, Peck, Grant, Doldo, Nabywaniec, Montigelli, Boulio,

Ferris, McBride, Calarco, Cantwell, Johnson

No: Jareo

Absent: Potter

Resolution passed.

#### **Resolution No. 245**

# **Appointing County Attorney**

By Legislator: Frances A. Calarco

Resolved, Pursuant to Section 500 of County Law, John L. Sabik be and is hereby appointed as County Attorney for a term of office commencing on September 1, 2024 through the term for which the members of this Board were elected, for a salary of \$117,731 (Grade 1-A).

Seconded by Legislator: Robert W. Cantwell, III

All members present voted aye.

#### Resolution No. 246

# Setting and Reporting Standard Work Day Hours to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System for Certain Elected Officials

By Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Be It Resolved, That the County of Jefferson/10022 10 hereby establishes the following as the standard work days for these titles and will report the officials to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities. maintained and submitted by this official to the Clerk of this body:

### **ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Title	Standard Work Day (Hrs/day) Min. 6 hrs Max 8 hrs	Name	Social Security Number (Last 4 digits)	Registration Number	Tier 1 (Check only if member is in Tier 1)	Current Term Begin & End Dates (mm/dd/yy- mm/dd/yy)	Record of Activites Result	Not submitted (Check only if official did not submit their Record of Activities
Elected								

Officials					
County Treasurer	7 hrs	Brian S. Peck		01/01/24- 12/31/27	

Seconded by Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

All members present voted aye.

#### Resolution No. 247

# Authorizing an Agreement with Zoo New York for Tourism Advertising and Amending the 2024 County Budget in Relation Thereto

By Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Whereas, The Occupancy Tax Fund is specifically designated for activities that promote tourism, and

Whereas, Zoo New York has demonstrated an opportunity to enhance advertising efforts in order to increase visitor attendance and further stimulate local tourism, and

Whereas, The Jefferson County Board of Legislators recognizes the importance of supporting local attractions through strategic use of the Occupancy Tax Fund to support tourism.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Chairman of the Jefferson County Board of Legislators be and is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Zoo New York for tourism advertising for the period August 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024, not to exceed \$25,000, and be it further

Resolved, that the 2024 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

#### Increase:

Fund Balance

50000000 30599 Appropriated Fund Balance \$25,000

Expenditure

50641000 04665 Zoo \$25,000

Seconded by Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Chairman Johnson entertained a motion and second to amend the resolution to change the start date to August 1, 2024. Such motion was made by Legislator Jareo seconded by Legislator Doldo and unanimously carried.

Legislator Peck asked for information as to how this money will be used. Zoo New York Interim Executive Director Mark Irwin advised that it will be used for reimbursement of advertising that has already been done, i.e. 5 billboards in the area, commercials on TV, Radio and digital media and will also be used for Boo at the Zoo in October and Winterwonder Lights in December.

Roll Call Vote on Resolution, as amended.

Ayes: Bartlett-Bearup, Cantwell, McBride, Peck, Ferris, Doldo, Reed, Boulio, Grant,

Jareo, Montigelli, Calarco, Nabywaniec, Johnson

Absent: Potter

Resolution passed.

#### Resolution No. 248

# Amending the 2024 County Budget in Relation to the Watertown International Airport

By Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Whereas, The Watertown International Airport requires transfers to cover anticipated expenses through the end of the year, and

Whereas, Temporary personnel has been utilized to address challenges with hiring permanent personnel, and

Whereas, Additional overtime has been necessary to accommodate airline flight schedule changes and increased FBO activity, and

Whereas, Funds are available within the Airport Budget and the Director of Aviation recommends the following transfers to pay for the associated expenses.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2024 County Budget is amended as follows:

#### **Increase:**

Expenditure		
01561000 01110	Temporary	\$45,000
01561000 01300	Overtime	25,000
01561000 02302	Radios	8,000

01561000 02502	Recycling Containers	14,000
01561000 04119	Computer Software	10,000
01561000 04415	Advertising	5,000

#### **Decrease:**

Expenditure		
01561000 01100	Personal Services	\$65,000
01561000 02483	Mower w/ Rotary Cutter	800
01561000 04480	Airfield Pavement Marking	39,200
01561000 04482	Surface Treatment	2,000

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

All members present voted aye.

#### Resolution No. 249

Authorizing the Implementation and Funding of 100% of the Costs of a Transportation Project (Replacement of Weaver Road over Skinner Creek), of Which May Be Eligible for Federal-Aid and/or State-Aid or Reimbursement from Bridge NY Funds, Appropriating Funds Therefor and Amending the 2024 County Budget and Capital Plan

By Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Whereas, A Project for the Replacement of Weaver Road over Skinner Creek, PIN 775404 (the "Project") is eligible for funding under Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs of such program to be borne at the ratio of 95% Federal funds and 5% non-federal funds, and

Whereas, The County of Jefferson will design, let and construct the Project, and

Whereas, The County of Jefferson desires to advance the project by making a commitment of 100% of the costs of the work for the Project or portions thereof, and

Whereas, By Resolution 143 and 193 of 2022, the County of Jefferson advanced the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the federal cost of the Preliminary Design and Right of Way Incidentals of the Project.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the duly convened Jefferson County Board of Legislators does hereby approve the Project, and authorizes the County of Jefferson to pay 100% of the cost of Design and ROW Acquisitions work for the Project or portions thereof, with the understanding that qualified costs may be eligible for federal-aid, state-aid, or reimbursement from Bridge NY funds, and be it further

Resolved, That the sum of \$104,474 is hereby appropriated from Account 20511300 02855 in the 2024 County Budget, and made available to cover the cost of participation in the above phases of the Project, and be it further

Resolved, That the Jefferson County Board of Legislators hereby agrees that the County of Jefferson shall be responsible for all costs of the Project which exceed the amount of federal-aid, state-aid or NY Bridge funding awarded to the County of Jefferson, and be it further

Resolved, That in the event the Project costs not covered by federal-aid, state-aid, or NY Bridge funding exceed the amount appropriated above, the Jefferson County Board of Legislators shall convene as soon possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the Chairman of the Jefferson County Board of Legislators thereof, and be it further

Resolved, That the Jefferson County Board of Legislators hereby agrees that construction of the Project shall begin no later than twenty-four (24) months after award and the construction phase of the Project shall be completed within thirty (30) months, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Jefferson County Board of Legislators be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the County of Jefferson all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests for federal-aid and/or state-aid with the New York State Department of Transportation, subject to the approval of the County Attorney as to form and substance, in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and County of Jefferson's funding of Project costs and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid and state-aid eligible Projects costs and all Projects costs within appropriations therefore that are not so eligible, and be it further

Resolved, That a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project, and be it further

Resolved, That this Resolution shall take effect immediately, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2024 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

#### **Increase:**

Revenue 20900600 94592	Federal Aid Bridges	\$ 9	94,310
Fund Balance 05000000 30599	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$	4,964
Transfers 05995000 09007 20900600 950315	Transfer to Capital Bridges Interfund Transfer Roads	\$	4,964 4,964

Expenditure

20511300 02855 H02 Weaver Road/Skinner Creek \$ 99,274

and be it further

Resolved, That the six year Capital Plan is amended accordingly.

Seconded by Legislator: Steel E. Potter

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Doldo, Calarco, Reed, Peck, Boulio, Grant, Jareo, Nabywaniec, Cantwell, Ferris,

Bartlett-Berarup, Montigelli, McBride, Johnson

Absent; Potter

Resolution passed.

#### Resolution No. 250

Authorizing the Implementation and Funding of 100% of the Costs of a Transportation Project (Replacement of Oxbow-Rossie Road over Vrooman Creek), of Which May Be Eligible for Federal-Aid and/or State-Aid or Reimbursement from Bridge NY Funds, Appropriating Funds Therefor and Amending the 2024 County Budget and Capital Plan

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, A Project for the Replacement of Oxbow-Rossie Road over Vrooman Creek, PIN 775403 (the "Project") is eligible for funding under Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs of such program to be borne at the ratio of 95% Federal funds and 5% non-federal funds, and

Whereas, The County of Jefferson will design, let and construct the Project, and

Whereas, The County of Jefferson desires to advance the project by making a commitment of 100% of the costs of the work for the Project or portions thereof, and

Whereas, By Resolution 144 and 192 of 2022, the County of Jefferson advanced the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the federal cost of the Preliminary Design and Right of Way Incidentals of the Project.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the duly convened Jefferson County Board of Legislators does hereby approve the Project, and authorizes the County of Jefferson to pay 100% of the cost of Detailed Design and ROW Acquisitions work for the Project or portions thereof, with the

understanding that qualified costs may be eligible for federal-aid, state-aid, or reimbursement from Bridge NY funds, and be it further

Resolved, That the sum of \$157,075 is hereby appropriated from Account 20511300 02838 in the 2024 County Budget, and made available to cover the cost of participation in the above phases of the Project, and be it further

Resolved, That the Jefferson County Board of Legislators hereby agrees that the County of Jefferson shall be responsible for all costs of the Project which exceed the amount of federal-aid, state-aid or NY Bridge funding awarded to the County of Jefferson, and be it further

Resolved, That in the event the Project costs not covered by federal-aid, state-aid, or NY Bridge funding exceed the amount appropriated above, the Jefferson County Board of Legislators shall convene as soon possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the Chairman of the Jefferson County Board of Legislators thereof, and be it further

Resolved, That the Jefferson County Board of Legislators hereby agrees that construction of the Project shall begin no later than twenty-four (24) months after award and the construction phase of the Project shall be completed within thirty (30) months, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Jefferson County Board of Legislators be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the County of Jefferson all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests for federal-aid and/or state-aid with the New York State Department of Transportation, subject to the approval of the County Attorney as to form and substance, in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and County of Jefferson's funding of Project costs and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid and state-aid eligible Projects costs and all Projects costs within appropriations therefore that are not so eligible, and be it further

Resolved, That a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project, and be it further

Resolved, That this Resolution shall take effect immediately, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2024 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

#### **Increase:**

Revenue

20900600 94592 Federal Aid Bridges \$ 147,701

Fund Balance

05000000 30599 Appropriated Fund Balance \$ 7,774

Transfers

 05995000 09007
 Transfer to Capital Bridges
 \$ 7,774

 20900600 950315
 Interfund Transfer Roads
 7,774

Expenditure

20511300 02838 C37 Oxbow-Rossie (CR25)/Vrooman \$ 155,475

and be it further

Resolved, That the six year Capital Plan is amended accordingly.

Seconded by Legislator: Steel E. Potter

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: McBride, Reed, Nabwyaniec, Grant, Peck, Boulio, Cantwell, Montigelli, Calarco,

Bartlett-Bearup, Doldo, Ferris, Jareo, Johnson

Absent: Potter

Resolution passed.

#### Resolution No. 251

# Amending the 2024 County Budget in Relation to the Purchase of an Excavator in the County Road Machinery Fund

By Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Whereas, The Highway Superintendent has recommended the replacement of a 2009 Excavator with 9,200 hours which is 2,000 hours over the expected lifespan and recommended 15-year replacement, and

Whereas, Funds are available in other Road Machinery accounts to cover the cost of the Excavator.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2024 County Budget is amended as follows:

#### Increase:

Expenditure

10513000 02464 Track Hoe \$180,575

#### **Decrease:**

Expenditure		
10513000 02404	Dump Truck	\$ 46,232
10513000 02415	Broom	64,314
10513000 02484	Skid Steer	14,029
10513000 02600	Shop Equipment	6,000
10513000 02700	Bridge Equipment	50,000

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

All members present voted aye.

#### Resolution No. 252

# Amending the 2024 County Budget to Replace Heavy Equipment for **Recycling & Waste Management**

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, A loader and a trailer at the Recycling and Waste Management facility have both deteriorated beyond repair, and

Whereas, Replacement of the equipment are vital to the operation of the facility, and

Whereas, Funds were not budgeted within the department for replacement of the equipment.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, That the 2024 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

#### **Increase:**

Fund Balance 15000000 30599	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$270,000
Expenditure		
15816000 02480	Trailer	\$100,000
15816000 02494	Loader	170,000

Seconded by Legislator: Steel E. Potter

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Peck, Ferris, Doldo, Bartlett-Bearup, Calarco, Grant, Reed, Montigelli,

Nabywaniec, Jareo, Cantwell, McBride, Boulio, Johnson

Absent: Potter Resolution passed.

#### Resolution No. 253

# Establishing Time and Place for a Public Hearing on the 2024 Inclusions of Viable Agricultural Land in NYS Certified Agricultural Districts

By Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Whereas, New York State Agriculture and Markets Law Article 25AA, Section 303-b requires that Counties establish an annual thirty day period within which to accept requests by landowners to have viable agricultural land included in a certified Agricultural District, and

Whereas, The Jefferson County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 98 of 2004, Establishing an Annual Thirty Day Period, June 1 through June 30, for Landowners to Submit Proposals to Include Viable Agricultural Land within an Existing Agricultural District Before the District's Established Review Period, and

Whereas, In accordance with Section 303-b of Article 25AA of the New York State Agriculture and Markets Law, the requests for inclusion were referred to the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board for review and recommendation, and

Whereas, The recommendation of the Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board concerning the inclusion proposals has been submitted to the Clerk of the Board.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That a Public Hearing be conducted by this Board of Legislators concerning the inclusion of viable agricultural land in certified Agricultural Districts before the Districts' established review periods. The public hearing will be held in the Jefferson County Board of Legislator's Chambers, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Historic Court House, at 195 Arsenal Street, Watertown, New York on Tuesday, October 1st, 2024 at 6:00 p.m., and be it further

Resolved, that a notice of such public hearing shall be given in accordance with law.

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

All members present voted aye.

# Resolution No. 254

**Authorizing Agreement in Relation to State Funding for Pretrial Services in Probation** 

By Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Whereas, New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services is awarding grants to offset costs associated with the provision of certified pretrial services including screening, assessment, supervision and reporting, and

Whereas, Jefferson County has received \$214,221 for the period July 1, 2024 through December 31, 2025, and

Whereas, Funding will be budgeted within the 2025 Budget and will cover costs for personnel and support funding objectives, and

Whereas, The County must enter into an agreement with New York State to receive the grant funds.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County hereby accepts the \$214,221 and authorizes the Chairman of the Board of Legislators to execute any and all documents as may be required to fulfill the requirements of this grant award, subject to approval by the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Steel E. Potter

All members present voted aye.

#### Resolution No. 255

# Amending the 2024 County Budget to Recognize Insurance Recovery Funds and Allocating Same in Sheriff's Department Budget

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, The Sheriff's Department has received an insurance settlement check in the amount of \$604.87 for damage to a patrol unit, and has requested that the settlement be used to supplement the external fleet expense line for repairs.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2024 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

#### **Increase:**

Revenue

01311000 92680 Insurance Recoveries \$604.87

Expenditure

01311000 043102 External Fleet Expense \$604.87

Seconded by Legislator: Steel E. Potter

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Reed, Bartlett-Bearup, McBride, Montigelli, Nabywaniec, Grant, Boulio, Clarco,

Doldo, Ferris, Jareo, Cantwell, Peck, Johnson

Absent: Potter

Resolution passed.

#### **Resolution No. 256**

Authorizing Agreements for an Additional Allocation Relative to the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee's Stop-DWI High Visibility Enforcement Grant and Amending the 2024 County Budget in Relation Thereto

By Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

Whereas, The New York State Stop-DWI Foundation has successfully coordinated and obtained Stop-DWI High Visibility Enforcement Grant (formerly known as Crackdown Enforcement) funding for 44 counties throughout the state, and

Whereas, By Resolution 271 of 2023, the Board of Legislators accepted \$24,000 in New York State Stop-DWI High Visibility Enforcement Grant funding for the period October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024, and

Whereas, Jefferson County has been notified of an additional allocation of \$3,000 for the funding period to be shared with the Watertown City Police Department and the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, and

Whereas, Agreements must be authorized with the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee and the aforementioned agencies, and

Whereas, The 2024 County Budget must be amended to recognize said funding and allocate it to the appropriate accounts.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute agreements as necessary to obtain and distribute funding as described above, subject to the review of the County Attorney as to form and content, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2024 County Budget is amended as follows:

#### **Increase:**

Revenue

01331500 94389 Federal Aid Criminal Justice \$3,000

01311000 92614	Stop DWI Services - Sheriff	1,500
Expenditure		
01311000 01300	Overtime	\$1,500
01331500 04428	Public Safety Svcs Other Govt	1,500
01331500 04414	Supporting Services	1,500

Seconded by Legislator: Daniel R. McBride

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Calarco, Reed, Ferris, McBride, Nabwyaiec, Peck, Doldo, Montigelli,

Bartlett-Bearup, Grant, Jareo, Cantwell, Boulio, Johnson

Absent: Potter

Resolution passed.

### **Resolution No. 257**

# Authorizing Extension of Agreement with NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets for the Provision of Petroleum Product Quality Program Services

By Legislator: Philip N. Reed, Sr.

Whereas, Pursuant to Section 179 of the Agriculture and Markets Law, the State of New York has established a Petroleum Product Quality Program to guard against the sale of inferior petroleum products in New York State by insuring that petroleum products meet specified quality standards, and

Whereas, Under the program the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets will reimburse a contracting county quarterly for actual costs and expenses incurred in collecting and inspecting petroleum product samples, and

Whereas, Jefferson County, through the Department of Consumer Affairs Bureau of Weights and Measures, has contracted with the State Department of Agriculture and Markets for the provision of petroleum product quality program services, and

Whereas, The NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets has notified the Director of Weights and Measures that an annual allotment of \$9,130 is available to reimburse Jefferson County for petroleum product collection and inspection during the period of April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2029.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the County of Jefferson Board of Legislators authorizes the extension of a contract with the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets for the

provision of Petroleum Quality Program services for the contract period April 1, 2024 through March 31, 2029 in the aggregate amount of \$45,650, and be it further

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

Seconded by Legislator: Robert D. Ferris

All members present voted aye.

#### Resolution No. 258

# Amending the 2024 County Budget Relative to Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program and Respite Care

By Legislator: Frances A. Calarco

Whereas, The County Office for the Aging has experienced increased demand for Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program and Respite Care, and

Whereas, In-Home services focuses on companionship, housekeeping, and meal preparation, and

Whereas, It is necessary to amend the 2024 County Budget to fund this cost.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2024 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

#### **Increase:**

Expenditure

01677200 04605 Daycare/ Respite Care \$38,000

**Decrease:** 

Expenditure

01677200 04422 Contracted Health Care \$38,000

Seconded by Legislator: Tina M. Bartlett-Bearup

All members present voted aye.

#### Resolution No. 259

Authorizing an Agreement with Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association Inc in Relation to Provision of Respite Services Through the Office for the Aging

By Legislator: Robert W. Cantwell, III

Whereas, Jefferson County Office for the Aging works for the establishment and expansion of programs and services which assist older persons in the areas of the most urgent needs, and

Whereas, There is demand in Jefferson County for respite programs outside of the home, and

Whereas, Jefferson County Office for the Aging has received one of two awards in New York State, and one of twenty-one nationally, for a grant from the Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders Association Inc, DBA Alzheimer's Association, and

Whereas, The purpose is to provide the opportunity to develop or expand volunteer respite programs, and

Whereas, The total award of \$200,000 is for the period August 1, 2024 to July 30, 2025 and will be utilized to establish or expand Respite Social Adult Day Programs in the community.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County hereby accepts the grant and 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 the grant award on behalf of Jefferson County, subject to the approval of the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Corey Y. Grant

All members present voted aye.

#### Resolution No. 260

# Authorizing an Agreement with Associates for Training and Development (A4TD) for Senior Community Services Employment Program

By Legislator: Frances A. Calarco

Whereas, The Jefferson County Office for the Aging wishes to participate with the Senior Community Service Employment Program through the Associates for Training and Development, and

Whereas, The Jefferson County Office for the Aging will act as a host for a Senior Community Services Employment Program participant to provide skill building trainings/projects, and

Whereas, The purpose of this program is for low income older adults to acquire additional work skills that will allow them to competitively return to the workforce, and

Whereas, Participants will not be employees of Jefferson County, and

Whereas, The Jefferson County Office for the Aging will host interns from the Senior Community Services Employment Program, through the Associates for Training and Development for up to 20 hours per week to work on special projects that will offer additional services for the elderly in Jefferson County.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of Jefferson County with Associates for Training and Development for the Senior Community Services Employment Program, subject to the approval by the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Robert W. Cantwell, III

All members present voted aye.

#### Resolution No. 261

### Amending the 2024 County Budget Relative to Public Health Medical Examiner Accounts

By Legislator: Robert W. Cantwell, III

Whereas, Public Health estimates that the Medical Examiner Overtime account will be overspent by year end due to Medical Investigator on-call and call out for scene investigations, and

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

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the 2024 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

#### **Increase:**

01118500 01300 Overtime \$13,380

**Decrease:** 

01118500 01100 Personal Services \$13,380

Seconded by Legislator: Corey Y. Grant

All members present voted aye.

#### Resolution No. 262

Amending 2023/24 Comprehensive Planning Resource Allocation Agreement with the NYS Office of Children & Family Services and Authorizing Amended

### **Contractual Youth Program Agreements in Relation Thereto**

By Legislator: Christopher S. Boulio

Whereas, Pursuant to Resolution No. 223 of 2023 this Board authorized a 2023/24 Comprehensive Planning Resource Allocation Agreement with the NYS Office of Children & Family Services (OCFS), and

Whereas, There are unallocated 2023/24 OCFS funds in the amount of \$4,164 due to a remaining balance of Recreation Scholarship funds, and funding allocated for administration of programs was underspent by \$9,000, therefore, a total of \$13,164 is available to be distributed, and

Whereas, The 2023/24 Resource Allocation Plan and agreements with contractual agencies need to be amended to reflect the changes.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the 2023/24 Comprehensive Planning Resource Allocation Agreement with the NYS Office of Children & Family Services is hereby amended to reflect the following modified grant funding:

Youth Development Program (YDP)

	Original	Increase/	Revised
Agency/Program	State Aid	Decrease	State Aid
	Allocation		Allocation
Jefferson County DSS/Recreation	15,150	(4,164)	10,984
Scholarships			
Children's Home of Jefferson	20,000	6,582	26,582
County/Sozo Teen Center			
Hearts for Youth, Inc./Hearts for	13,500	6,582	20,082
Youth			
ACR Health/The Q Center	10,000	0	10,000
Lyme Central School/Summer	6,000	0	6,000
Theater Institute			
Resolution Center of Jefferson &	5,000	0	5,000
Lewis Counties/Youth Court			
Resolution Center of Jefferson &	5,000	0	5,000
Lewis Counties/Family Visitation			
Program (FVP)			
North Country Prenatal/Perinatal	10,350	0	10,350
Council/Education Opportunities For			
Adolescents			
Total	85,000	0	93,998

Resolved, That Pursuant to Section 450 of County Law, the Chairman of the Board of Legislators be and is hereby authorized to execute necessary amended contractual Youth Program

Agreements with the various agencies on behalf of Jefferson County, subject to the approval of the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Tina M. Bartlett-Bearup

All members present voted aye.

At the request of Legislator Peck, Administrator Soper advised that he would have the Northern New York Community Foundation come in and make a presentation to legislators regarding their use of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds that were allocated by Resolution No. 38 of 2022.

There being no further business of the Board, on a motion by Legislator Jareo seconded by Legislator Montigelli and unanimously carried, the meeing was adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dylan M. Soper

Deputy Clerk of the Board

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