

REGULAR SESSION

TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2018

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

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

All members present except Legislator Fitzpatrick.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

District 15 Legislator Anthony Doldo provided the Board with information concerning the annual chicken barbeque fund-raising event at the North Pole Fire Department that benefits the law enforcement K-9s in Jefferson County. He said it began in April, 2016 through the efforts of Probation Officer and North Pole Fire Chief Joseph Wargo and Assistant District Attorney Christina Curry. Ms. Curry recognized the need for K-9's to have protective body armor which drove the formation of the event, and has also formed the Animal Cruelty Task Force through the District Attorney's Office. Legislator Doldo further recognized 6th Grade student Gianna Wood as she had seen publicity of the event and wanted to also help out, so instead of gifts for her 12th birthday she collected donations for the law enforcement K-9s and raised the incredible total of \$1,046. Legislator Doldo said the grand total for both fund raising efforts is \$6,450, which will allow each of the K-9 programs to received a check for \$2,150. He said these three individuals have demonstrated outstanding leadership, dedication to the community and a commitment to the K-9 program. He presented checks to each of the K-9 programs in the County, City and State Police for their share of the proceeds from this years' events.

Chairman Gray, Watertown City Mayor Joseph Butler, and NYS Police Lieutenant Rob Simpson presented certificates to Gianna Wood, Assistant District Attorney Christina Curry, and Northpole Fire Chief and Probation Officer Joseph Wargo in recognition of their exceptional fund raising efforts in support of the K-9 programs for the Jefferson County Sheriff's Department, Watertown City Police and the New York State Police, respectively.

READING OF MINUTES OF LAST SESSION

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

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, NOTICE AND COMMUNICATIONS

A note of thanks was received from many Cornell Cooperative Extension Student Government Program participants thanking Board members for their time spent with the students to educate them about government.

A letter was received from Oswego County Administrator Philip R. Church expressing his gratitude for the recent assistance provided by Jefferson County Veterans Service Director Pete Fazio. Mr. Fazio spent one day a week at the Oswego Veterans Office so services would remain constant for their citizens while they recruited and hired a new Director of Veterans Services, and they very much appreciated it.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

The Finance & Rules Committee reported favorably on resolutions referred from other jurisdictional committees and on Legislators' expenses.

REPORTS OF COUNTY OFFICERS AND OTHERS

The County Treasurer provided a report on Investments and Cash in Banks as of April 30, 2018.

The County Administrator provided a report on budget transfers for the month of May, 2018.

The County Auditor provided a report on erroneous assessments for the month of May, 2018.

LOCAL LAWS , RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS

Resolution No. 119

Authorizing the Vacating of Judgment of Foreclosure for Owners of Certain Parcels of Real Property and Discontinuance of Foreclosure Proceeding.

By Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

Whereas, pursuant to Section 1.6 of the Administrative Regulations for the Sale of Real Property Acquired by the County Pursuant to Real Property Tax Foreclosure Proceedings, certain owners of foreclosed properties have tendered offers to re-purchase County's right of foreclosure obtained in certain Tax Foreclosure proceedings, by depositing in trust with the County funds in an amount equal to all the tax, penalties, and interest, together with the County's established administrative fee, and

Whereas, The said owners and the amounts deposited are set forth in Exhibit "A" which is hereby incorporated herein, and made a part hereof.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, that Pursuant to Section 1.6 of the Administrative Regulations for the Sale of Real Property Acquired by the County Pursuant to Real Property Tax Foreclosure Proceedings, the Board of Legislators does hereby approve of the re-purchase of the County's right of foreclosure to those individuals set forth in Exhibit "A" , in considerations of the

amounts paid by such individuals as shown on said Exhibit, and be it further

Resolved, That the County Attorney is hereby authorized to file with the Court a motion seeking an Order to vacate the Judgement of Foreclosure, discontinuing the *in rem* tax foreclosure action and cancelling the Notice of Pendency of such action in regard to the respective parcel(s) of property.

Seconded by Legislator: James A. Nabywaniec

EXHIBIT A

Jefferson County Delinquent Tax Buybacks

TOWN	PARCEL #	NAME
Adams	107.00-2-39	Cythia Widrick
Alexandria	6.12-1-41.3	George Stevens & Nicole Danis
Alexandria	14.15-1-71.2	William A. & Heather L. Gill
Alexandria	14.15-1-70.2	William A. & Heather L. Gill
Alexandria	7.00-1-29.2	Elmer R. Dart
Alexandria	8.00-2-66	Patrick J. Faubert
Alexandria	6.11-1-24.2	Kerry A. Roberge
Alexandria	22.00-3-35.22	Richard W. Daily
Alexandria	8.18-3-16	Mary Jane Honeywell
Antwerp	36.33-1-42	Ronald & Laurie Bartle
Brownville	63.11-1-43	Steven S. Massaro
Cape Vincent	59.07-3-36	Lisa Moracco, Suzanne Kessler & Daniel Duddleston
Clayton	31.06-1-3.1	Clyde H. Garnsey
Champion	86.48-2-27	Esther C. Shampine
Ellisburg	110.00-1-51	Francine Miranda-Beck
Henderson	98.00-1-7.2	Donald K. Warner
Henderson	105.19-3-15.2	George H. Gould IV
Henderson	105.19-1-61	John & Carlene Kohanski
Hounsfield	81.00-1-34.1	Alfred & Raymond Filley
Hounsfield	89.00-2-36.8	Kenneth M. Lawrence
Lorraine	113.00-2-34	Lisa Graves
Lyme	70.05-1-58.1	Jay T. & Nichole S. Bechdel
Lyme	62.00-2-27.1	Robert B. & Deborah A. Cuppernell
Lyme	62.00-2-27.3	Robert B. & Deborah A. Cuppernell
Lyme	71.08-2-9	Bruce J. & Sharon Hibbard
Lyme	71.08-2-33	Bruce J. & Sharon Hibbard
Lyme	70.11-3-74.4	Walter J. & Peggy L. Chambry
Orleans	32.15-1-79	Mark F. & Susan M. Scheffner
Rutland	3.00-2-18	James D. & Leonard T. Dececchis
Rutland	75.16-2-34	Thomas R. & Katherine H. Greenwood
Theresa	45.00-2-9.41	Thomas M. Norstrom

Theresa	23.80-2-27	Jay T. & Nichole S. Bechdel
Theresa	34.11-1-31	William F. Murphy
Wilna	78.17-1-17	Richard & Rhonda McDonald
Wilna	77.16-1-7	Heidi L. Tompkins

County Attorney Paulsen advised that this is part of the foreclosure program that the County operates relative to real property tax enforcement, and property owners have until three days before the auction to redeem their properties. The 32 property owners listed above have taken advantage of the buy back program so these properties will not be listed for auction. He said the auction will be held this Saturday, June 9th at the State Office Building, 8:00 a.m registration and the auction will begin at 9:00 a.m. There being no discussion, all members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 120

Approving Mortgage Tax Report

By Legislator: William W. Johnson

Whereas, This Board is in receipt of the semi-annual Mortgage Tax Report showing the amount to be credited to each tax district in the County of the money collected during the preceding six months ended March 31, 2018.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That, pursuant to Section 261 of the Tax Law, this Board issue Tax Warrants for the payment to the respective tax districts of the amounts so credited and authorize and direct the County Treasurer to make payment of said amounts to the respective districts in accordance with the report.

Seconded by Legislator: James A. Nabywaniec

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 121

**Setting Time and Place for Public Hearing on Tentative
2018-2019 Jefferson Community College Budget**

By Legislator: Allen T. Drake

Resolved, That a public hearing on the Tentative Jefferson Community College Budget for College Fiscal Year 2018-2019 be held before this Board of Legislators on Monday, July 2, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. in the Chambers of the Board of Legislators, 195 Arsenal Street, Watertown, NY, and be it further

Resolved, That the Clerk of the Board be and is hereby directed to give notice of said public

hearing as required by law.

Seconded by Legislator: James A. Nabywaniec

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 122

Authorizing Reappointments to the Workforce Development Board

By Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

Whereas, The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014, Public Law 113-128, requires that there be established a local Workforce Development Board (WDB) to oversee local job training services and activities, and

Whereas, Chapter 2, Section 107(a)(b) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act authorizes the establishment, membership, and composition of the local Workforce Investment Board, and

Whereas, Chapter 2, Section 107(c) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act authorizes the appointment and certification for local Workforce Investment Board membership, and

Whereas, The Counties of Jefferson and Lewis seek to appoint individuals to the local Workforce Development Board who have interest and experience in the delivery of local workforce development services.

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, That the Board of Legislators hereby authorizes the Chairman of the Board to reappoint the following individuals to serve as members of the Jefferson-Lewis Workforce Development Board for the terms indicated.

<u>Member</u>	<u>Term to Expire</u>
<u>Jefferson County Representatives</u>	
George Anderson, Current Applications	6/30/2021
Michael Britt, Samaritan Medical Center	6/30/2021
Christine Rolfe, WPBS	6/30/2021
Donald Alexander, Jefferson County Economic Dev.	6/30/2021
Michael Schantz, Jain Irrigation	6/30/2021
<u>Jefferson-Lewis Representatives</u>	
Patrick Sheppard, Regional Director, Access-VR	6/30/2021
John O'Driscoll, IBEW	6/30/2021
Fred Monaco, NYSUT	6/30/2021
Dale Stehlin, Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers	6/30/2021

Seconded by Legislator: William W. Johnson

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 123

**Accepting Funding from the Empire State Poverty Reduction Initiative and
Amending the 2018 County Budget in Relation Thereto**

By Legislator: William W. Johnson

Whereas, The Employment & Training Department has been approved for funding under the Empire State Poverty Reduction Initiative (ESPRI) in Watertown, under the direction of the Steering Committee and being administered by the United Way of Northern New York, and

Whereas, The \$175,000 ESPRI project will establish an Employer Resource Network program to connect employers with success coaches for their employees who struggle with poverty, and

Whereas, The ESPRI funding includes \$5,000 for Employment & Training's oversight in implementing this project.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County hereby accepts said funding 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 this award, subject to approval by the County Attorney as to form and content, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2018 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue		
25634000 93089	State Aid Other Economic Assistance & Opportunity	\$175,000

Expense		
25634000 04416	Professional Fees	170,000

Decrease:

Fund Balance		
25000000 30599	Appropriated Fund Balance	5,000

Seconded by Legislator: James A. Nabywaniec

Legislator Peck asked for more of an explanation of this program and how it is proposed to be executed. Mr. Hagemann advised that it is part of the \$1 million grant awarded to the City of Watertown to assist with poverty and the money will be used to contract with a provider who will coach/counsel citizens in order to keep them employed. He said they will assist with life issues that may be barriers to these individuals working their way out of poverty and staying employed. The program has been utilized and successful in other areas of the country over the past several years, and helps people get through the crisis of the day in order to keep them working. Funding will be through the Employment & Training Department as they deal with people trying to find work, it is for citizens within the City of Watertown but may be more broad, it requires a 50/50 funding match from the employer, and the provider is Schenectady Works. Legislator Maxon asked when the grant funds are no longer available if the program will end or if the County will be expected to pick up the cost. Mr. Hagemann advised that there is an initial government subsidy, but the hope is that employers will see the success rate of the program and how valuable the program is and hire the firm to assist their employees at 100% of the cost.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: McBride, Montigelli, Ferris, Johnson, Peck, Reed, Drake, Adsit, Nabywaniec, Cantwell, Doldo, Gray

Nays: Maxon, Jareo

Absent: Fitzpatrick

Resolution passed.

Resolution No. 124

Authorizing the Lease of Lands of the Thousand Island Bridge Authority to the State of New York for a Period Greater than Ten Years

By Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

Whereas, Pursuant to Article 3, Title 4 of the Public Authorities Law of the State of New York the Thousand Island Bridge Authority was created as a public benefit corporation, and

Whereas, Section 578(4) of the Public Authorities Law authorizes the Thousand Island Bridge Authority (hereinafter "TIBA") to lease real property in its ownership for a period of no more than ten years without the express formal approval of the Jefferson County Board of Legislators, and

Whereas, The State of New York, acting through the Office of General Services, proposes to locate a New York welcome center on land of the TIBA under a lease with an initial term of 49 years and six five year extensions, and

Whereas, The Welcome Center represents a significant investment on the part of New York State and will showcase the Jefferson County/Northern New York area thereby attracting additional tourism, and

Whereas, The Board of Legislators desires to support and encourage the development of a New York welcome center at the Thousand Island Bridge.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Board of Legislators hereby approves and consents to a real property lease between the TIBA and the State of New York for the period set forth above and the Chairman of the Board is authorized to execute any further document necessary to effectuate this purpose, subject to the approval of the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Allen T. Drake

Legislator Maxon wanted to recuse himself from voting on this resolution as it may be a conflict of interest due to him being a New York State employee in the real property bureau, and Chairman Gray agreed.

All members present voted aye, except Legislator Maxon who was recused from voting.

Resolution No. 125

Conditionally Authorizing Sale of Real Property to the Village of Ellisburg, New York.

By Legislator: Allen T. Drake

Whereas, Tax Map Parcel Nos. 117.82-1-19.1, 117.82-1-20, 117.82-1-21 in the Town of Ellisburg are subject to multiple years of delinquent real property taxes and a residential structure on one of the parcels is in poor condition due to fire damage, and

Whereas, Village of Ellisburg has proposed to the County of Jefferson that it will purchase the parcels for the sum of \$4,000.00, demolish the structure and re-purpose the parcels or sell them for redevelopment, and

Whereas, It is in the best interest of the County of Jefferson to contract to sell the parcels to a buyer with the intent and ability to demolish the structure prior to perfecting its tax foreclosure title so as not to risk being unable to sell a property with significant building code issues, and

Whereas, The contract of sale with the Village of Ellisburg will be conditional on the County acquiring title through real property tax foreclosure, require the purchaser to pay purchase price of \$4,000.00, pay deed recording costs, and contain a "put" clause requiring the purchaser to assume title upon tender of a deed by County, and

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That should the County come into title of the above referenced parcels as a result of foreclosure, the parcels shall be sold to the Village of Ellisburg for the sum

of \$4,000.00 on the condition that in the event that the Village subsequently sells any or all of the parcels, the County will be entitled to that part of the purchase price representing the balance between the \$4,000.00 purchase price and the balance of delinquent taxes extinguished by the tax foreclosure collectively on the three parcels, with the Village to bear the costs of any applicable filing and recording costs, and the Chairman of the Board and the County Attorney are authorized to execute any documents necessary to accomplish such conveyance, and it is further

Resolved, That prior to the County taking a judgment of foreclosure in regard to said parcel, the Chairman of the Board of Legislators be and hereby is authorized to execute a Contract of Purchase and Sale with the Village of Ellisburg, providing for the sale of said parcel to the Village as outlined above, with the following further conditions in said contract: a “put” clause whereby the County may compel the Village to take title to the parcel from the County.

Seconded by Legislator: William W. Johnson

Legislator Jareo thanked Real Estate Ad Hoc Chairman Robert Ferris and County Attorney David Paulsen for their efforts in making this resolution happen as he appreciated it. He said the Village will do good things with the property and improve the appearance of Ellisburg.

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 126

Payment of Legislators’ Expenses

By Legislator: Allen T. Drake

Whereas, This Committee to whom claims of the members of the Board were referred, has examined and audited such claims and finds the total to be \$ 154.78, we have allowed:

Legislator Expense:	\$ 154.78
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Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the County Treasurer be and is hereby directed to draw checks payable to the claimants as audited.

Seconded by Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 127

Authorizing Agreements with NYS Department of Education Approved Agencies for the Provision of Special Education Services for Preschool Children with Disabilities

By Legislator: Jeremiah J. Maxon

Whereas, New York State Education Law requires that municipalities enter into agreements with agencies approved by the NYS Commissioner of Education to offer special education services to preschool children with disabilities who are determined by the Board of Education of local school districts to require placement in such special education programs, and

Whereas, The New York State Commissioner of Education has approved a number of providers of services and has set rates for all special education program services, and

Whereas, In conjunction with the operation of the Special Education Services for Preschool Children with Disabilities program, it is necessary to enter into contracts with approved services providers at said established rates.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, Pursuant to Section 4410 of the New York State Education Law, Jefferson County is hereby authorized to enter into agreements for the term July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019, for the provision of special education services to children ages three through five with disabilities with the following New York State Education Department approved service providers:

<u>Provider</u>	<u>Service</u>
Benchmark Family Services	Evaluations Integrated Special Education Classroom Special Education Itinerant Teaching
Building Blocks SLP, OT & PT Family Services, PLLC	Evaluations Special Education Itinerant Teaching
Jefferson Rehabilitation Center	Evaluations Integrated Special Education Classroom Special Education Itinerant Teaching
Milestones Children's Center	Evaluations Special Education Itinerant Teaching

and be it further

Resolved, That the need for such special education services is to be determined by local School Boards of Education, at rates established by the NYS Commissioner of Education as certified by the Director of the Budget of the State of New York, and shall be in a form and contain such terms and conditions as may be acceptable to the NYS Commissioner of Education, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators and the Director of Community Services are hereby authorized and directed to execute such agreements on behalf of Jefferson County, subject to approval by the County Attorney as to form and substance, and be it further

Resolved, That the Director of Community Services is hereby directed to send a letter notifying local School Boards of Education of the rates of each of the special education service providers and the percentage of local share of such cost.

Seconded by Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 128

**Authorizing Agreements and Establishing Rates for Provision of Related Services
in Connection with the Program for Preschool Children with Disabilities**

By Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

Whereas, The Program for Preschool Children with Disabilities provides a variety of related services to children aged three to five years with certain disabilities, such services to be provided in the least restrictive environment, be it home or agency based, and

Whereas, Chapter 243 of the Laws of 1989 requires that counties maintain a list of appropriately certified or licensed professionals to deliver related services to preschool children with disabilities and set a reasonable reimbursement rate for such services, subject to the approval of the New York State Education Department.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That, pursuant to Section 4410 of the Education Law, Jefferson County enter into an agreement with each of the following parties for the provision of the indicated service(s). The term of said agreement shall be for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 in accordance with the requirements of the State Education Law and regulations:

<u>Provider</u>	<u>Service</u>
Benchmark Family Services	Speech Therapy Physical Therapy Occupational Therapy
Building Blocks SLP, OT & PT Family Services, PLLC	Speech Therapy Physical Therapy Occupational Therapy
Jefferson Rehabilitation Center	Speech Therapy Physical Therapy Occupational Therapy
Special Programs, Inc. D.B.A. Little Lukes Childcare Center	Speech Therapy Physical Therapy

Occupational Therapy

The Rowland Center, Inc.

Speech Therapy
Physical Therapy

Occupational Therapy

and be it further

Resolved, That the rates of payment for Preschool Related Services by a Speech Pathologist, Occupational Therapist and Physical Therapist are hereby established as follows:

	On-site	Off-site
Individual Up to 59 Minutes	\$ 34.00	\$ 59.00
Individual Over 60 Minutes	\$ 49.00	\$ 73.00
Group Up to 59 Minutes	\$ 25.00	\$ 39.00
Group Over 60 Minutes	\$ 39.00	\$ 54.00

and be it further

Resolved, That the rates of payment for Preschool Related Services by Certified Occupational Therapy and Licensed Physical Therapy Assistants are hereby established as follows:

	On-site	Off-site
Up to 59 min.	\$ 25.00	\$ 39.00
Over 60 min.	\$ 34.00	\$ 47.00
Group Up to 59 Minutes	\$ 22.00	\$ 34.00
Group Over 60 Minutes	\$ 31.00	\$ 44.00

and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized to execute such agreements on behalf of Jefferson County, and be it further

Resolved, That the Director of Community Services is hereby authorized and directed to take such steps and execute such documents as may be necessary to secure approval of the rates established herein by the New York State Education Department.

Seconded by Legislator: Anthony J. Doldo

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 129

**Authorizing Agreement with ACC Technical Services for Local Health Department
Billing and Scheduling System**

By Legislator: Jeremiah J. Maxon

Whereas, By Resolution No. 160 of 2010, the Board of Legislators authorized a contract with ACC Technical Services, Inc. for the period July 7, 2010 through July 31, 2015 for the purchase of the eHealth scheduling application, and

Whereas, By Resolution No. 151 of 2013, the Board extended the agreement through July 31, 2018, for continued use of this application, and

Whereas, eHealth Scheduling web-based application is used on a daily basis for all Public Health Service clinics to organize clinic processes, provide residents immediate information, enable on-line appointment registrations and improve staffing assignments, and

Whereas, ACC will continue to provide annual licensing, hosting and billing, as well as ongoing maintenance and enhancement services at \$5,000 per year and train Public Health Service staff in the optimal use of said application, and

Whereas, Said application is 100% allowable within NYSDOH Public Health Emergency Preparedness and CDC funding.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County renew an agreement with ACC Technical Services, Inc. for the purposes stated above and for use during the period of August 1, 2018 through December 31, 2021, 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: Anthony J. Doldo

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 130

Accepting Funding in Connection With Public Health Rabies Control Activities and Amending the 2018 County Budget in Relation Thereto

By Legislator: Jeremiah J. Maxon

Whereas, The Jefferson County Public Health Service (JCPHS) was notified by New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets that additional funding in the amount of \$12,500 for enhanced rabies control activities to county residents is included in the New York State 2018-2019 Budget, and

Whereas, The Public Health Service will use these funds to support increased offerings of rabies

vaccinations within Jefferson County, and

Whereas, The funds are to be used to cover all associated costs of additional clinics inclusive of Public Health staff time (for logistics, planning and operations), veterinarian staff, advertising and necessary supplies (vaccines, syringes, etc.), and any remaining funds will be utilized to support vaccination clinic operations in 2018 and 2019 as traditionally offered by JCPHS, and

Whereas, The Public Health Service recognizes the importance of collaboration with community partners in enhanced rabies control through rabies education and vaccination efforts.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County hereby authorizes the receipt and use of the funding to reduce rabies incidence in the county, and be it further

Resolved, That the Chairman of the Board of Legislators is hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all documents as may be required to fulfill the requirements of this grant award, subject to the approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, and be it further

Resolved, That the 2018 County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase:

Revenue

01405000 93452	State Aid Public Health Other	\$12,500
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Expenditure

01404200 1110	Temporary	\$ 730
01404200 1300	Overtime	905
01404200 4313	Travel	200
01404200 4415	Advertising	3,921
01404200 4510	Medical Supplies	4,375
01404200 4416	Professional Fees	2,200

01404200 8010	Retirement	44
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01404200 8030	Social Security	125
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Seconded by Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: Nabywaniec, McBride Doldo, Johnson, Ferris, Montigelli, Cantwell, Jareo, Adsit, Maxon, Drake, Reed, Peck, Gray

Absent: Fitzpatrick

Resolution passed.

Resolution No. 131

**Accepting Funding and Authorizing an Agreement in Connection With
Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program**

By Legislator: Anthony J. Doldo

Whereas, The Jefferson County Public Health Service has been reallocated \$94,952 for a 1 year term renewal from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Health Research, Inc. (HRI) of the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) for the period 07/01/18-06/30/19 to improve its capacity to address Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) functions, and

Whereas, The Public Health Service will use these funds to further develop its plan and improve capacities to respond to public health threats pursuant to guidelines developed by CDC and the NYSDOH, and

Whereas, The PHEP Plan and other improvements will require use of existing personal services authorized in the 2018 budget, purchase of certain equipment and payment of operating expenses, all to be 100% funded by the grant.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County hereby again accepts such funding covering the period of July 01, 2018 through June 30, 2019, and authorizes the Chairman of the Board of Legislators to sign any and all documents necessary to accept such funding and to execute a renewal agreement with HRI/NYSDOH, subject to approval of the County Attorney as to form and content.

Seconded by Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 132

**Authorizing Amended Agreement for the Provision of Language Interpreter Services
in Connection with the Public Health Service**

By Legislator: Jeremiah J. Maxon

Whereas, By Resolution No. 309 of 2012, the Board of Legislators authorized a contract with Language Line for interpreter services for the period August 10, 2012 through August 8, 2016, and

Whereas, By Resolution No. 60 of 2013, the Board amended the agreement through October 24, 2017 in accordance with the New York State Office of General Services statewide contract term and rate, and

Whereas, The New York State Office of General Services has again revised the statewide contract term and rate, and

Whereas, Health care providers must be able to communicate with clients, and although infrequent, Jefferson County Public Health Service does have occasions which require the service of a language interpreter for American Sign Language and Spanish, not included in original agreement.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, That Jefferson County amend an agreement with Language Line Services for the provision of American Sign Language at \$1.99 per minute and Spanish at \$1.25 per minute for the period October 25, 2017 through December 31, 2021, and be it further

Resolved, That a revised per minute rate may be paid if established charges are increased and prior written notice is provided to the Jefferson County Public Health Service, and be it further

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

Seconded by Legislator: Carolyn D. Fitzpatrick

All members present voted aye.

Chairman Gray advised that as has been discussed, it is the desire of members to change the July Board meeting from Tuesday, July 3, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. to Monday, July 2, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. and entertained a motion to do so. A motion was duly made by Legislator Montigelli seconded by Legislator Drake and unanimously carried.

Chairman Gray further advised that as previously communicated, there will be a brief Special Board meeting on June 12th at 6:00 p.m. just prior to the General Services meeting and an agenda will be sent out to members later this week.

Legislator Peck reminded Board members that June is Dairy Month and in honor of that he brought a cheese platter from the Jefferson Bulk Milk/Cheese Store for everyone to enjoy. He said it was unfortunate that it took the suicide of three farmers in New York State this winter for the national media to pickup on where agriculture is headed. He said the price of milk has been on a downhill spiral since the beginning of the year and it looks like it may rebound towards the end of the year, but the real problem that is not being addressed is that there is an oversupply not just state or nationwide, but globally. He said the inactivity of Washington to do anything more than put band aids on a bad program or rename a failed program from the start and never really consider the root cause of the problem, creates a lot of uneasiness and lack of confidence among the dairy farming community. He said on the other hand it is a good year for crops so anyone on that side of the commodities market will probably do well. He encouraged everyone to enjoy dairy to the fullest extent.

Chairman Gray shared that he and Legislator Montigelli attended the recent graduation ceremony for Correction Officers and said the County can be proud of the people coming into the department. He said under the leadership of Sheriff O'Neill we have a department that is clicking on all the cylinders.

Mr. Hagemann reported that the County again had a team competing in the North Country Community Cup through the YMCA, and they came in 5th this year. The team also received the Team Spirit award and Probation Officer Dan Connor received the individual Participation award. The County has had a team participate for many years, but this is the highest they have ever placed overall.

There being no further business of the Board, on a motion by Legislator Maxon seconded by Legislator Ferris and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 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 horizontal line above the name.

Robert F. Hagemann, III
Clerk of the Board