#### NINTH REGULAR SESSION

Johnstown, NY

September 14, 2020

Roll Call – Quorum Present

Supervisors: Argotsinger, Blackmon, Born, Bowman, Bradt, Breh, Callery, Fagan, Goderie,

Greene, Groff, Horton, Howard, Kinowski, Perry, Potter, VanDenburgh, Young

TOTAL: Present: 18 Absent: 2 (Supervisors Lauria and Wilson)

Chairman Greene called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. He welcomed recently-appointed City of Johnstown Ward 1 Supervisor Jared Goderie to his first Board meeting.

Mr. Stead discussed the "ground rules" of the Board of Supervisors Chambers, given COVID-19 pandemic precautions now in place. He advised that the media and members of the public would remain seated in the gallery area of the Chambers. If any members of the public wished to address the Board, they will do so from their location in the gallery.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, Chairman Greene asked for a moment of silence for the victims and heroes of the terrorist attack on September 11, 2001. The 19<sup>th</sup> anniversary of that horrific event just occurred last week.

He then asked if there was anyone from the public who wished to address the Board. No one responded.

## PUBLIC HEARINGS/SCHEDULED SPEAKERS

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Chairman Greene stated that for the past two (2) months, Fulton County has had consistently low numbers of new COVID-19 cases and have not had any large community spikes. Throughout this time, I have been most concerned about community spread as a result of gatherings and indoor dining areas, but so far that has not occurred. The next two possible spikes may come from Labor Day weekend, which we'll know more in about a week and of great concern...the re-opening of schools. You only have to look at the array of different plans from one district to another to know what a tricky and difficult situation this is. The schools did a lot of planning and a lot of listening before determining what is best for them and we wish the children, teachers and the school staff the best going forward.

The Mohawk Valley Control Room has been discussing the outbreak at SUNY Oneonta.

In addition, the colder weather will be here soon and we will be indoors more so we all need to be careful about being in enclosed areas with groups of people that are poorly ventilated. Mr. Stead and COVID-19 Task Force continue to meet twice a week to go over new issues. In addition, Mr. Stead and I continue to meet virtually every afternoon

for the Mohawk Valley Control Room call with State representatives. He stated that Mr. Stead could attest that this call can be frustrating because we still do not know what businesses can or cannot be open. One prime example for the County is trying to determine if gyms and roller-skating rinks are different or considered the same, so it gets very frustrating. On top of that, Governor Cuomo wants a policy/procedure manual on handling pandemics that may occur in the future. I will be working with Mr. Stead and others to get this rolling and hopefully completed by the end of the year or the next Chairman of the Board will have to pick up the pieces.

As you all know, there have been great accomplishments made on the 2021 County Many thanks go out to Department Heads and Supervisors. Department Budget. Heads were asked to bring very fiscally conservative budgets to their respective committees and almost all did so. They were also asked to limit capital projects to only health and safety items. As a result of their efforts and the Supervisor's oversight committee changes, we currently have the lowest impact against the levy in well over a decade. There will be more discussion and debate going forward before a final budget is approved. I feel satisfied that there is a consensus that everyone is aware that now, more than ever, we need to stay fiscally conservative in our planning due to the elephant in the room. What effect will the COVID-19 aftermath have on our overall revenues. We still don't have those answers. The most obvious unknown is just how much revenue may Governor Cuomo withhold from county governments due to the state's own fiscal issues. Until this becomes clearer, it will be difficult to project what our final budget will be. One thing is very clear to me that Fulton County is on a stronger fiscal footing today than most counties of our size. Due to some insightful decisions made by Supervisors both past and present will allow us to get through this tough situation on a solid functional footing. Citizens of Fulton County may not yet realize it, but these decisions made in past years have put us on a good path for the future of the county.

## **RESOLUTIONS (TITLES ATTACHED)**

Resolution No. 239 (Resolution Awarding Bid to Brown Transportation for children with Handicapping Conditions Transportation Program (2020-2021): Mr. Stead advised that during the Human Services and Finance Standing Committees, there was a long list of approximately 10 transportation routes. With COVID-19, pre-school programs have begun re-opening but due to time schedule changes and some classes through virtual learning, there have been changes made to the routes. He also stated that pre-schools altered schedules and meeting times, so as Purchasing Agent, he used the core of the specifications and doubled up some of the runs. He advised that some students dropped off the list, so only a few routes are now necessary. Mr. Stead discussed the routes that are being awarded on this Resolution. He advised that the Public Health Department may have to come back to the Board if another route needs to be set up for the possibility of additional children that might need transportation.

Resolution No. 241 (Resolution Urging the New York State Legislature to Establish a Temporary Commission to Study and Investigate the Effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic Response Related to Nursing Home Deaths): Supervisor Potter stated that Senator James

Tedisco expressed interest in attending today's meeting, but his Committee Chairperson duties were needed at the State Capital. Mr. Potter read a statement from Senator Tedisco as follows:

As I've said before, some issues transcend partisan politics. The families of the thousands of New Yorkers who lost their lives from COVID-19 while in state-regulated nursing homes deserve a measure of closure and we need to help prepare for a second wave of the virus or a future pandemic.

I want to thank the Fulton County Board of Supervisors for their bi-partisan leadership in being the first County legislature in the state to support for my own bi-partisan legislation (S.8756/A.10857) with Majority Democratic Assemblyman Ron Kim and members from both sides of the aisle for an independent, bi-partisan state commissioner with subpoena power to fully investigate the deaths of thousands of New Yorkers who died from COVID-19 in nursing homes.

It's well past time to give family members answers and bring closure to the loved ones of the thousands of New Yorkers who lost their lives in nursing homes during the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Resolution No. 252 (Resolution Authorizing County Participation in the Legal Defense of Certain Assessment Reduction Actions within the City of Johnstown): Mr. Young stated that Wal Mart always hires attorneys to fight against paying its taxes. He expressed frustration, because every other local company pays their taxes based on the assessments given.

### **PROCLAMATIONS**

Supervisors VanDenburgh, Perry, Breh, Born and Chairman of the Board Greene recited aloud the following Proclamation, with each reading one section.

# CELEBRATING THE $100^{TH}$ ANNIVERSARY OF THE $19^{TH}$ AMENDMENT TO THE U.S. CONSTITUTION

WHEREAS, on August 26, 1920 the Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby certified the ratification of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, changing the face of those entitled to vote forever; and

WHEREAS, the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution reads:

"The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any state on account of sex. Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation";

and

WHEREAS, upon the enactment of the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment, more than eight (8) million women across the United States voted in elections for the first time; and

WHEREAS, August 26, 2020 marked the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment, protecting and guaranteeing every woman's constitutional right to vote; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby recognizes the momentous achievement of suffrage pioneers such as Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Susan B. Anthony, Lucretia Mott, Sojourner Truth and many others in pursuing and achieving voting rights.

Supervisor Born, Chairperson of the Human Services Committee then read the following Proclamation:

#### DECLARING SEPTEMBER 2020 "RECOVERY MONTH" IN FULTON COUNTY

WHEREAS, behavioral health is an essential part of health and overall wellness; and

WHEREAS, prevention of mental disorders and substance use disorders works, its treatment is effective, and people recover; and

WHEREAS, preventing and overcoming mental and substance use disorders is essential to achieving healthy lifestyles, both physically and emotionally; and

WHEREAS, it is important to encourage relatives and friends of people with mental and substance use disorders to recognize the signs of a problem and guide those in need to appropriate treatment and recovery support services; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 8.5 million American adults suffer from mental health disorders, a substance use disorder, or co-occurring disorders, including people in our own community; and

WHEREAS, to help more people achieve and sustain long-term recovery, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP), and the Rob Constantine Recovery Community and Outreach Center invite all residents of Fulton County to participate in National Recovery Month; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors, hereby proclaims the month of September 2020 as "National Recovery Month" in Fulton County.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Callery thanked Supervisor Argotsinger's wife, Liz Argotsinger for creating the Fulton Montgomery Quilt Barn Trail. He also commended her hard work publicizing it.

Chairman Greene asked for a 10-minute recess at 1:42 p.m.

(Supervisors Sheila Perry and Gregory Young notified the Chairman of the Board that they each had a potential conflict of interest relating to the pending interview of a candidate for appointment to the FMCC Board of Trustees, and therefore recused themselves by leaving the meeting at 1:44 p.m.)

Upon a motion by Supervisor Fagan, seconded by Supervisor Callery and unanimously carried, the Board entered Executive Session at 1:57 p.m. to discuss employment history.

Upon a motion by Supervisor Callery, seconded by Supervisor Fagan and unanimously carried, the Board re-entered into Regular Session at 2:41 p.m.

Upon a motion by Supervisor Groff, seconded by Supervisor Bowman and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

Certified by:	
Jon R. Stead, Administrative Officer/	DATE
Clerk of the Board	DATE

Supervisor BORN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING 2020-2021 NEW YORK STATE CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY INCENTIVE GRANT (PUBLIC HEALTH)

WHEREAS, the NYS Department of Health has awarded \$5,900.00 in grant funds through the New York State Child Passenger Safety Incentive Grant to the Public Health Department to promote child passenger safety; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Chairman of the Board be and hereby is authorized to sign an agreement between the Public Health Department and the NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Committee for a 2020-2021 Child Passenger Safety Incentive Grant, in an amount of \$5,900.00, for the period October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021; said agreement subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Public Health Director, NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Committee, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor BORN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION ACCEPTING OF 2019-2020 CHILDHOOD LEAD POISONING PREVENTION GRANT FROM THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT)

WHEREAS, the Fulton County Public Health Director recommends an agreement for acceptance of 2019-2020 Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Grant from the NYS Department of Health; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Chairman of the Board be and hereby is authorized to sign an agreement between the Public Health Department and NYS Department of Health to accept a Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Grant, in an amount of \$48,665.00, for the period beginning October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020; said agreement subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Public Health Director, NYS Department of Health, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/ Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor BREH offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR GOVERNOR'S TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE 2020-2021 CRACKDOWN GRANT (DISTRICT ATTORNEY)

WHEREAS, the District Attorney desires to submit an application to the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee for a 2020-2021 Crackdown Grant to support overtime for police patrols during the grant cycle of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That upon the recommendation of the Committees on Public Safety and Finance, the Chairman of the Board be and hereby is authorized to sign and submit an application to the Governor's Traffic Safety Committee for "Crackdown" grant funds, in an amount of \$15,000.00 for the following purposes:

Overtime Patrols \$15,000.00 (Fulton County Sheriff's Dept., Gloversville PD, Johnstown PD, Northville PD)

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the District Attorney do each and every other thing necessary to further the purport of this Resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, District Attorney, Traffic Safety Board, Governor's Traffic Safety Committee, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisors BREH AND CALLERY offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION ABOLISHING A PART-TIME ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDER POSITION IN THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE

WHEREAS, Resolution 103 of 2020 reclassified a Part-Time Fifth Assistant Public Defender Position to Full-Time in the Public Defender's Office; and

WHEREAS, the Public Defender is recommending that the current Part-Time Assistant Public Defender position be abolished due to the hiring freeze imposed by the Board of Supervisors Office due to COVID-19 budgetary restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the Committees on Public Safety and Personnel have reviewed said vacancy, and for reasons of economy and efficiency, recommend its abolition in order to achieve cost savings in the 2021 County Budget; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That upon the recommendation of the Committees on Public Safety and Personnel, said Part-Time Assistant Public Defender position be and hereby is abolished, effective immediately; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Personnel Director do each and every other thing necessary to further the purport of this Resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Public Defender, Personnel Director, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisors BREH AND CALLERY offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF A 2020-2021 GOVERNOR'S TRAFFIC SAFETY COUNCIL POLICE TRAFFIC SERVICES GRANT (SHERIFF)

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office received a 2020-2021 Governor's Traffic Safety Council Police Traffic Services Grant from the NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Board in the amount of \$14,695.00 to offset local policy agency's patrol costs; and

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby accepts said 2020-2021 Governor's Traffic Safety Council Police Traffic Services Grant from the NYS Governor's Traffic Safety Board, in the amount of \$14,695.00, for sponsored activities during 2021; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Budget Director and District Attorney do each and every other thing necessary to further the purport of this resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Sheriff, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisors FAGAN, CALLERY and ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION PLACING A "ONE DOLLAR HOLD" ON A PLANNER POSITION IN THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is awaiting the reclassification of the position of Planning Director by the NYS Civil Service Commission; and

WHEREAS, the current Planning Director encumbers a Planner position within the Planning Department until the aforementioned reclassification is finalized; and

WHEREAS, for purposes of economy and efficiency, the Planning Director has recommended that said encumbered Planner position be held at a salary of \$1.00 in the salary structure until such time as the ongoing need for it is determined; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That, effective immediately, one (1) Planning position remain in the Budget at an appropriation of \$1.00 until such time as the Board of Supervisors and the Planning Director determine that said position may be abolished; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Planning Director, Personnel, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor FAGAN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF AN UPDATED FULTON COUNTY AIRPORT SECURITY PLAN TO THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

WHEREAS, in 2004, the State of New York adopted a new Anti-Terrorism Preparedness Act, which included the following provisions:

- An Airport Security Plan must be submitted with the registration application; and
- The Airport Security Plan must be consistent with the Transportation Security Administration's "Guidelines for General Aviation Airport Security"

and

WHEREAS, Resolution 274 of 2017 authorized submittal of an updated Fulton County Airport Security Plan to the NYS Department of Transportation and said registration will expire soon; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Chairman of the Board and Planning Director be and hereby are authorized to do whatever necessary to submit an updated Airport Security Plan and registration for the Fulton County Airport to the NYS Department of Transportation; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Planning Director, NYS Department of Transportation, Airport Fixed Base Operator, Budget Director/County Auditor, Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board, and to each and every other person, institution or agency who will further the purport of this Resolution.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor FAGAN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR ACCEPTANCE OF ELECTRONICS RECYCLING FOR 2021 (SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT)

RESOLVED, That the Purchasing Agent be and hereby is authorized and directed to advertise for sealed bids for the acceptance of electronics from Fulton County's recycling program located at the Solid Waste Department (and according to further specifications which may be obtained at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Room 203, County Office Building, Johnstown, NY 12095, during usual business hours); and, be it further

RESOLVED, That said bids must be addressed to Jon R. Stead, Purchasing Agent, Room 203, County Office Building, Johnstown, NY, 12095, and received by said Purchasing Agent no later than 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 21, 2020; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any or all bids; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Solid Waste Director, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Purchasing Agent.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor FAGAN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUBMITTAL OF APPLICATION FOR A MUNICIPAL WASTE REDUCTION/RECYCLING EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES GRANT (SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT)

WHEREAS, the State of New York provides financial aid for municipal waste reduction and municipal recycling projects; and

WHEREAS, the County of Fulton, herein called the MUNICIPALITY, has examined and duly considered the applicable laws of the State of New York and the MUNICIPALITY deems it to be in the public interest and benefit to file an application under these laws; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that a Contract by and between THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, herein called the STATE, and the MUNICIPALITY be executed for such STATE Aid; now, therefore be it

### RESOLVED,

- 1. That the filing of an application in the form required by the State of New York in conformity with the applicable laws of the State of New York including all understanding and assurances contained in said application is hereby authorized;
- 2. That the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors is directed and authorized as the official representative of the MUNICIPALITY to act in connection with the application and to provide such additional information as may be required and to sign the resulting contract if said application is approved by the STATE;
- 3. That the MUNICIPALITY agrees that it will fund its portion of the cost of said Municipal Waste Reduction and Recycling Project.
- 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately;

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Director of Solid Waste, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

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- 3. That the MUNICIPALITY agrees that it will fund its portion of the cost of said Municipal Waste Reduction and Recycling Project.
- 4. That this resolution shall take effect immediately;

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Director of Solid Waste, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor FAGAN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR DIESEL FUEL FOR USE BY THE HIGHWAYS AND FACILITIES DEPARTMENT AND SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

RESOLVED, That the Purchasing Agent be and hereby is authorized and directed to advertise for sealed bids for the purchase of diesel fuel for the fuel dispensing system located at the Highways and Facilities Department and Solid Waste Department (and according to further specifications which may be obtained at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Room 203, County Office Building, Johnstown, NY 12095, during usual business hours); and, be it further

RESOLVED, That said bids must be addressed to Jon R. Stead, Purchasing Agent, Room 203, County Office Building, Johnstown, NY, 12095, and received by said Purchasing Agent no later than 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 21, 2020; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any or all bids; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Superintendent of Highways and Facilities, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Purchasing Agent.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor FAGAN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR UNLEADED GASOLINE FOR THE CENTRAL FUEL DEPOTS LOCATED AT THE COUNTY SERVICES COMPLEX AND SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

RESOLVED, That the Purchasing Agent be and hereby is authorized and directed to advertise for sealed bids for the purchase of unleaded fuels for the fuel dispensing system located at the County Services Complex and Solid Waste Department (and according to further specifications which may be obtained at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Room 203, County Office Building, Johnstown, NY 12095, during usual business hours); and, be it further

RESOLVED, That said bids must be addressed to Jon R. Stead, Purchasing Agent, Room 203, County Office Building, Johnstown, NY, 12095, and received by said Purchasing Agent no later than 2:00 p.m., October 21, 2020; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any or all bids; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Superintendent of Highways and Facilities, Solid Waste Director, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Purchasing Agent.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor FAGAN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR CLEANING SERVICES AT FULTON COUNTY COMPLEX I AND COMPLEX II BUILDINGS (2021)

WHEREAS, the current contract for custodial services at the Fulton County Complex I and II Buildings expires on December 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Buildings and Grounds/Highway and Superintendent of Highways and Facilities recommend soliciting bids to clean Fulton County Complex I and II Buildings; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Purchasing Agent be and hereby is authorized and directed to advertise for sealed bids for custodial services for the Fulton County Complex I and II, 2714 State Highway 29, Johnstown, NY, (and according to further specifications which may be obtained at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Room 203, County Office Building, Johnstown, NY, during usual business hours); and, be it further

RESOLVED, That such sealed bids must be addressed to Jon R. Stead, Purchasing Agent, Room 203, County Office Building, Johnstown, NY, 12095, and received by said Purchasing Agent no later than 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 21, 2020, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any or all bids; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Superintendent of Highways and Facilities, and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor FAGAN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR CLEANING SERVICES AT FULTON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES COOPER BUILDING (2021)

WHEREAS, the current bid for custodial services in the Department of Social Services Cooper Building expires on December 31, 2020; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Purchasing Agent be and hereby is authorized and directed to advertise for sealed bids for custodial services for the Department of Social Service Cooper Building, 4 Daisy Lane, Johnstown, NY, (and according to further specifications which may be obtained at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Room 203, County Office Building, Johnstown, NY, during usual business hours); and, be it further

RESOLVED, That such sealed bids must be addressed to Jon R. Stead, Purchasing Agent, Room 205, County Office Building, Johnstown, NY, 12095, and received by said Purchasing Agent no later than 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 21, 2020, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any or all bids; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Superintendent of Highways and Facilities, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/ Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor FAGAN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR UNIFORM SERVICE FOR THE HIGHWAY AND FACILITIES DEPARTMENT AND SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the current contract for uniform service for the Departments of Highways and Facilities and Solid Waste expires on December 31, 2020; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Purchasing Agent be and hereby is authorized and directed to advertise for sealed bids for Uniform Service for the Departments of Highways and Facilities and Solid Waste (and according to further specifications which may be obtained at the Office of Purchasing Agent, Supervisors' Chambers, Room 203, County Office Building, Johnstown, NY, 12095, during usual business hours); and, be it further

RESOLVED, That said bids must be addressed to Jon R. Stead, Purchasing Agent, Supervisors' Chambers, Room 203, County Office Building, Johnstown, NY, 12095, and received by said Purchasing Agent no later than 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 7, 2020; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Purchasing Agent be and hereby is directed to identify in the bid specifications that the County of Fulton prefers the use of materials and goods made and assembled in the United States of America; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any or all bids; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Solid Waste Director, Superintendent of Highways and Facilities and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor FAGAN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR HEATING OIL AND 50/50 BLEND FOR COUNTY BUILDINGS (2021)

WHEREAS, the current bid for No. 2 heating oil and 50/50 blend expires on December 31, 2020; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Purchasing Agent be and hereby is directed to advertise for sealed bids from responsible petroleum dealers for Heating Oil No. 2 and Special Blend of No. 2 for the year 2018 (and according to further specifications which may be obtained at the Office of the Purchasing Agent); said price to identify origin and posted tank wagon price in effect on the date of bid (to be further identified at each instance of delivery), plus vendor margin. Successful bidder must make provisions for emergency delivery on a local basis (within a 20-mile radius of the City of Johnstown), in the event that one of the identified facilities runs out of fuel; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That such sealed bids must be addressed to Jon R. Stead, Purchasing Agent, Supervisors' Chambers, Room 203, County Building, Johnstown, NY, 12095, and received by said Purchasing Agent no later than 2:00 p.m., October 21, 2020 at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any or all bids; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Superintendent of Highways and Facilities, Fire Coordinator, Sheriff, Correctional Facility, Solid Waste, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor FAGAN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS FOR WASTE REMOVAL SERVICES FOR THE FULTON COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY (2021)

WHEREAS, the current bid for waste removal services expires on December 31, 2020; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Purchasing Agent be and hereby is authorized and directed to advertise for bids from waste disposal vendors for the pickup of general office type waste materials at the Fulton County Correctional Facility (and according to further specifications which may be obtained at the Office of the Purchasing Agent, Supervisors' Chambers, Room 203, County Building, Johnstown, NY 12095, during usual business hours); and, be it further

RESOLVED, That such sealed bids must be addressed to Jon R. Stead, Purchasing Agent, Supervisors' Chambers, Room 203, County Building, Johnstown, NY 12095, and received by said Purchasing Agent no later than 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 21, 2020, at which time and place they will be publicly opened and read; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any or all bids; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Superintendent of Highways and Facilities, Sheriff, Correctional Facility, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Purchasing Agent.

Seconded by Supervisor FAGAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisors BORN and ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING USE OF FEDERAL FAMILIES FIRST GRANT FUNDS FOR COVID-19 EXPENSES IN THE OFFICE FOR AGING

WHEREAS, Resolution 162 of 2020 authorized acceptance of COVID-19 funding in the amount of \$191,626.00 via federal Families First Grant Program and the U.S. CARES Act for use in the Office For The Aging, and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned Resolution also appropriated \$126,036.00 for certain eligible programs in the Office for Aging; and

WHEREAS, the Office for Aging Director requests that the balance of said funding (\$65,590.00) now be used for reimbursement of additional Office for Aging expenses during the period of COVID-19 Emergency Declaration; and

WHEREAS, the Committees on Human Services and Finance have reviewed the request and concur to use said grant funds to offset allowable expenses incurred for personnel costs, postage, home-delivered meals, social adult daycare services and COVID-19 related supplies; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the 2020 Adopted Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:

Decrease A.1000.0599-0599 - REV - Appropriated Fund Balance

\$40,725.00

Increase A.7610.7610-4772 - REV- Federal Aid - Programs for the Aging \$65,590.00

Increase A.7610.7610-4170 – EXP- Programs

\$ 18,363.00

Increase A.7610.7610-4530 – EXP -Supplies

\$ 6,502.00

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Office for Aging Director, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Purchasing Agent.

Seconded by Supervisor BRADT and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor BORN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING NYS HEALTH FOUNDATION GRANT FUNDS FOR COVID-19 EMERGENCY RESPONSE EFFORTS IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT (PUBLIC HEALTH)

WHEREAS, the Public Health Director submitted a proposal through NYSACHO for the creation of a community messaging and educational campaign for COVID-19 awareness in Fulton County; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Director was notified that the proposal was accepted and recommends acceptance of NYS Health Foundation Grant for Local Department COVID-19 Emergency Response Efforts from the NYS Department of Health; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Chairman of the Board be and hereby is authorized to sign an agreement between the Public Health Department and NYS Department of Health, in an amount of \$6,785.00, for a community messaging and educational campaign for COVID-19 awareness in Fulton County; said agreement subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Treasurer be and hereby is directed to make the following budget amendment:

Revenue

Increase A.4010.4010-2770-REV-Other Unclassified Revenues \$6,785.00

Appropriation

Increase A.4010.4010-4100-EXP- Advertising

\$6,785.00

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Public Health Director, NYS Department of Health, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/ Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor HOWARD and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisors BORN, FAGAN and ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION CREATING A CHILDREN'S SERVICES PROGRAM SPECIALIST POSITION IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Public Health Director and Administrative Officer recommend the creation of an additional Children's Services Program Specialist in the Public Health Department to provide continuation of children's services specializing in COVID-19 response investigation and contact tracing; and

WHEREAS, the reopening of the region's secondary schools present various challenges to protecting the health of children, teachers, families other school employees and the community at large; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Director reports that said Children's Services Program Specialist position is eligible for New York State grant funding of between 50 percent to 75 percent reimbursement for a minimum of two (2) years duration; and

WHEREAS, the Committees on Human Services, Personnel and Finance have reviewed the current department structure and recommend creating an additional Children's Services Program Specialist position in the Public Health Department in this instance; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That a Children's Services Program Specialist position (Start Rate: \$20.21 per hour, Permanent Rate: \$23.78 per hour), be and hereby is created effective immediately; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Public Health Director, Budget Director and Personnel Director do each and every other thing necessary to further purport of this Resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Personnel Director, Public Health Director, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor VANDENBURGH and adopted by the following vote:

TOTAL: Ayes: 433 (18) Nays: 28 (1) (Supervisor Potter) Absent: 90 (2) (Supervisors Lauria and Wilson)

Supervisors BORN and ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION AWARDING BID TO BROWN TRANSPORTATION FOR CHILDREN WITH HANDICAPPING CONDITIONS TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (2020-2021)

WHEREAS, Resolution 198 of 2020 authorized advertisement for bids for children with handicapping conditions 2020-2021 transportation; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the bids, as hereinafter specified, for the transportation of children with handicapping conditions to various 2020-2021 school programs be and hereby are accepted, as reviewed and recommended by the Public Health Director and Purchasing Agent; they being the lowest responsible bidders in accordance with Specification No. 2020-40-03-, dated August 26, 2020:

Program Site/Route	Daily Rte. Cost	Low Bidder
Regular School Year Route 3 (8:45)	\$355.00 5 a.m 12:45 p.m.)	Brown Transportation
*	\$329.50 8:30 a.m12:30 p.m. 9:30 a.m 1:30 p.m.)	Brown Transportation
Regular School Year Route 8	\$329.50	Brown Transportation
Regular School Year Route 9	\$379.00	Brown Transportation

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Public Health Director, Brown Transportation, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor PERRY and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor CALLERY offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION WAIVING THE RESIDENCY RULE FOR HIRE OF CASEWORKERS IN THE SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND OFFICE FOR AGING

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Social Services and Office for Aging Director are experiencing difficulty filling Caseworker positions in the Department of Social Services and Office for Aging; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Director is reporting that there is low Civil Service examination participation for Caseworker positions and recommends that applicants who are not residents of Fulton County be considered; and

WHEREAS, after careful review of the hiring procedure utilized, the Committee on Personnel recommends waiving the County's "Residency Rule" to allow the hiring of Caseworkers from Fulton County and/or contiguous counties; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the County "Residency Rule" be and hereby is waived for the hire of Caseworkers in the Department of Social Services and Office for Aging until the next holding of the Caseworker exam and for the duration of the resulting eligible list; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Personnel Director, Commissioner of Social Services and Office for Aging Director do each and every other thing necessary to further the purport of this Resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Personnel Director, Commissioner of Social Services, Office for Aging Director, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor BORN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisors BREH AND BORN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION URGING THE NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE TO ESTABLISH A TEMPORARY COMMISSION TO STUDY AND INVESTIGATE THE EFFECTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC RESPONSE RELATED TO NURSING HOME DEATHS

WHEREAS, the State reported coronavirus death toll in New York State nursing homes, estimated between 6,500 to 7,000, is likely a significant undercount; and

WHEREAS, the inordinately high mortality rates to a very vulnerable population indicate that there is a need to examine the state policies that led to poor outcomes in combating the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S.8756 (Tedisco) and companion Assembly Bill A.10857 (Kim), will support families still searching for answers by establishing an independent bi-partisan commission to study and investigate the effects of the COVID-19 response on nursing home deaths; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Commission will consist of members appointed by the Majority Leader, Minority Leader in each respective house of the State Legislature, along with a member appointed by the New York State Attorney General's Office; and

WHEREAS, said Commission will have subpoena power and shall make a report of its findings and recommendations and remain in full effect for a period of one year after delivery of such report; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors hereby urges all members of the New York State Senate and Assembly to support S.8756/A.10857, an Act "Establishing a temporary state commission to study and investigate the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic response on deaths in nursing homes"; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Governor Cuomo, NYS State Attorney General Letitia James, Senator James Tedisco, Assemblyman Robert Smullen, Senate Majority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins, Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie, Senate Minority Leader Robert Ortt, Minority Leader of Assembly William Barclay, Assemblyman Ron Kim, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor POTTER and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisors BREH AND ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DONATION FROM BENJAMIN MOORE AND COMPANY FOR EQUIPMENT TO BENEFIT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Benjamin Moore and Company has donated \$1,000.00 to the Sheriff's Department for equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff and the Committees on Public Safety and Finance recommend acceptance of said donation; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Sheriff be and hereby is authorized to accept said donation of \$1,000.00 from Benjamin Moore and Company for equipment as follows:

M-4 Rifle Optics at a cost of \$130.00 each

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2020 adopted budget be and hereby is amended as follows:

#### Revenue

Increase A.3110.3110-2705 – REV – Gifts and Donations

\$1,000.00

#### Appropriation:

Increase A.3110.3110-4010-EXP-Equipment-Non-Asset

\$1,000.00

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to County Treasurer, Benjamin Moore and Company, Sheriff, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor BOWMAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisors BREH, CALLERY AND ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION EXTENDING CIVIL CLERK POSITION IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, in 2017, the Sheriff requested a position of an additional Civil Clerk for the Sheriff's Department to ensure a proper training period in advance of future potential retirements; and

WHEREAS, the Committees on Public Safety and Personnel endorsed the need for said additional Civil Clerk for the Sheriff's Department commencing January 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 457 of 2017 that created said additional Civil Clerk position stated "that upon the next occurrence of a vacancy in the Sheriff's Department of a Civil Clerk position, said vacant position, be and hereby is, abolished"; anticipating that the first vacancy would be a retirement rather than a vacancy in the "trainee" position; and,

WHEREAS, in order to ensure a proper training period as originally planned, said Civil Clerk position was extended through October 31, 2020, by Resolution 380 of 2019; and

WHEREAS, the Senior Civil Clerk has announced her intention to retire on January 30, 2021; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That upon the next retirement in the title of Civil Clerk or Sr. Civil Clerk, the Civil Clerk position referenced in this Resolution shall be abolished; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That said Civil Clerk position created by Resolution 457 of 2017 be and hereby is extended through January 31, 2021; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Personnel Director and Sheriff do each and everything necessary to further the purport of this Resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Sheriff's Department, Personnel Director, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor GROFF and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisors BREH AND ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A 2020 NYS DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PURCHASES (EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE)

WHEREAS, Fulton County has been awarded \$12,140.00 in grant funds under the 2020 Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG); and

WHEREAS, the Civil Defense Director/Fire Coordinator is requesting to purchase the following items with said funds as follows:

- Personal Protective Equipment \$10,000.00 (Reusable coveralls; N95 masks/respirators; gloves; gowns, eye protection and hand sanitizer stations)
- Computer Equipment 2,140.00 (Tablet PC's and printer)

now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Civil Defense Director/Fire Coordinator is hereby authorized to purchase the equipment specified herein with Homeland Security Grant proceeds; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Chairman of the Board is hereby authorized to execute appropriate documentation to accept said grant funds; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2020 Adopted Budget be and hereby is amended, as follows:

#### Revenue:

Increase A.3640.3645-3306 – REV – State Aid-Homeland Security \$12,140.00

#### Appropriation:

Increase A.3640.3645-2000 – EXP-Equipment-Fixed Asset 1,740.00 Increase A.3640.3645-4530 – EXP-Supplies \$10,400.00

and, be it further

# **Resolution No. 244 (Continued)**

RESOLVED, That the Civil Defense Director/Fire Coordinator is hereby directed to carry out said purchases expeditiously and complete all requirements in 2020; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Civil Defense Director/Fire Coordinator, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor BORN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisors BREH AND ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING NYS HOMELAND SECURITY PROGRAM GRANT FUNDS AND NYS LAW ENFORCEMENT TERRORISM PREVENTION PROGRAM FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN PURCHASES FOR USE IN THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE AND SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, Fulton County has been notified that it has been allocated \$81,143.00 in grant funds from the 2020 NYS Homeland Security Program; and

WHEREAS, the Civil Defense Director/Fire Coordinator is requesting to purchase certain items/equipment to support cyber security/emergency threats preparedness functions with the Homeland Security portion of said grant; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Chairman of the Board be and hereby is authorized to sign a grant agreement with the NYS Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Services for 2020 NYS Homeland Security Program funds, in a total amount of \$81,143.00 for the following purposes:

State Homeland Security Program-Emergency Management Office	\$60,857.00
Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (Sheriff's Dept.)	\$20,286.00

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Civil Defense Director/Fire Coordinator be and hereby is authorized to purchase items for use in the Emergency Management Office and other County Department's as follows:

Cyber Security Equipment	\$ 4,100.00
Fiber Network Equipment	27,579.00
CCTV Cameras	8,382.00
Personal Protect. Equip. for Rescue Task Force Personnel	20,796.00
Total	\$60,857.00

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2020 Adopted Budget be and hereby is amended, as follows:

#### Revenue:

Increase A.3640.3645-3306	– REV – State	Aid – Homela	and Security	\$60,857.00

#### Appropriation:

Increase A.3640.3645-4010 – EXP – Equipment – Non-Asset	\$20,796.00
Increase A.3640.3645-2000 – EXP – Equipment – Fixed Asset	40,061.00

## **Resolution No. 245 (Continued)**

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Sheriff prepare a plan to describe the use of said grant funds for presentation and approval by Resolution of the Board of Supervisors; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That Civil Defense Director/Fire Coordinator and County Treasurer do each and every other thing necessary to further the purport of this Resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Civil Defense Director/Fire Coordinator, Sheriff, Budget Director/County Auditor, Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board and to each and every other person, institution or agency who will further the purport of this Resolution.

Seconded by Supervisor BOWMAN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisors FAGAN, CALLERY AND ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION RECLASSIFYING A SKILLED LABORER POSITION TO HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR IN THE SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, to promote efficient operation of the Department, the Director of Solid Waste recommends reclassifying of a Skilled Laborer position to Heavy Equipment Operator (Landfill); and

WHEREAS, based upon the Job Duties Statement prepared by the Director of Solid Waste, the Personnel Director recommends reclassification of a Skilled Laborer position to Heavy Equipment Operator; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That upon the recommendation of the Director of Solid Waste, and Committees on Public Works, Personnel and Finance, effective immediately, one (1) Skilled Laborer position (Union Job Group M-8A; 2020 permanent rate: \$18.53 per hour) be and hereby is reclassified to Heavy Equipment Operator (Union Job Group M-13; 2020 permanent rate: \$21.23 per hour) in the Solid Waste Department; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Director of Solid Waste and Personnel Director does each and every other thing necessary to further the purport of this Resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Director of Solid Waste, Personnel Director, CSEA Local 818, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor HOWARD and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor FAGAN offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION AWARDING BID TO LAMINATED CONCEPTS, INC. FOR TIMBER DECKING MATERIALS FOR REPLACEMENT OF NORTH BUSH ROAD BRIDGE OVER PECK CREEK (2020 CAPITAL PLAN)

WHEREAS, the 2020 Capital Plan includes a North Bush Road Over Peck Creek Bridge Replacement Project in the amount of \$85,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 216 of 2020 authorized Advertisement for Bids for Construction Materials for Replacement of North Bush Road Bridge Over Peck Creek (Glue Laminated Timber Decking) portion (Specification 2020-82-07) and one (1) bid was received; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Highways and Facilities and Committee on Public Works, the net bid, in the amount of \$37,711.00 as submitted by Laminated Concepts, Inc. of Big Flats, NY, for Glue Laminated Timber Decking be and hereby is awarded as follows:

Laminated Concepts, Inc. \$37,711.00 (Glue Laminated Timber Decking)

they being the only bidder in accordance with project specifications; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Superintendent of Highways and Facilities, Laminated Concepts, Inc., Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor PERRY and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisors FAGAN AND ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EMERGENCY PURCHASE OF GALVANIZED STEEL BEAM FOR REPLACEMENT OF NORTH BUSH ROAD BRIDGE OVER PECK CREEK (2020 CAPITAL PLAN)

WHEREAS, the 2020 Capital Plan includes a North Bush Road Over Peck Creek Bridge Replacement Project in the amount of \$85,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 216 of 2020 authorized Advertisement for Bids for Construction Materials for Replacement of North Bush Road Bridge Over Peck Creek and no bids were received for the Galvanized Steel Beam Superstructure portion (Specification 2020-82-06) of the project; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Highways and Facilities has requested to proceed with the project on its intended schedule in 2020 due to the condition of said bridge; and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent believes he could obtain written quotes for Galvanized Steel Beam for use in said bridge replacement in time for a fall 2020 project; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Superintendent of Highways and Facilities be and hereby is authorized to solicit written quotes to obtain the Galvanized Steel Beam for the bridge project as an emergency purchase in accordance with Section 4.03 of the <u>Fulton County Purchasing and Audit Guidelines</u>; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Superintendent of Highways and Facilities, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor CALLERY and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION RE-APPROPRIATING FUND BALANCE TO PAY NYS RPS V4 SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE CHARGE FOR 2019 (REAL PROPERTY TAX SERVICES AGENCY)

WHEREAS, Real Property Tax Services Director received notification from the NYS Department of Taxation and Finance that a invoice for a 2019 RPS Version 4 Software Maintenance Contract was past due; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that an oversight was made during the transition to a new RPTSA Director in 2019, but that the invoice is valid and owing; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Real Property Tax Services Director be and hereby is authorized to pay the NYS RPS V4 Software Maintenance charge for 2019 in the amount of \$14,500.00; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2020 Adopted Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:

Revenue Account:

Increase A.1000.0599-0599 - REV - Appropriated Fund Balance \$14,500.00

Appropriation Account:

Increase A.1355.1355-4130 – EXP – Contractual

\$14,500.00

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, RPTSA Director, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor BREH and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING USE OF HAVA CARES COVID-19 GRANT FUNDING FOR 2020 ELECTION EXPENSES (BOARD OF ELECTIONS)

WHEREAS, Governor Cuomo has mandated new steps in the 2020 election process including procedural requirements for Absentee Ballot applications and additional notices for potential voters; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Elections Commissioners have proposed to use HAVA CARES COVID-19 grant funds to purchase necessary supplies and services for use by the Board of Elections Office as follows:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Absentee Ballot Envelopes & Cleaning Supplies	\$ 3,000.00
Additional Postage	9,496.00
Polling Site Cleaning Supplies	4,000.00
	\$16,496.00

and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Board previously authorized an emergency purchase to cover postage costs totaling \$6,290.00 to meet new mailing deadlines; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Elections Commissioners be and hereby are authorized to purchase the above-listed supplies and services with said HAVA CARES COVID-19 funds in an amount not to exceed \$16,496.00; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the 2020 Adopted Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:

### Revenue:

Increase A.1450.1450-3080 - REV- State Aid - Board of Elections \$16,496.00

# Appropriation:

Increase A.1450.1450-4070 - EXP- Postage	\$9,496.00
Increase A.1450.1450-4530 - EXP- Supplies	\$7,000.00

and, be it further

# RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, Board of Elections, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor YOUNG and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT FOR LEGAL DEFENSE OF WALMART REAL PROPERTY ASSESSMENT CHALLENGE IN THE CITY OF GLOVERSVILLE (COUNTY ATTORNEY)

WHEREAS, Resolution 293 of 2013 Established a Policy for County Participation in the Legal Defense of Real Property Tax Assessments; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 346 of 2017 authorized County Participation in the Legal Defense of Certain Assessment Reduction Actions within the Town of Broadalbin, City of Gloversville and the City of Johnstown; and

WHEREAS, a settlement has been reached between all parties regarding the assessment challenge; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the County Attorney be and hereby is authorized to pay the County's portion of said real property legal defense in the amount of \$3,556.00; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the County Treasurer be and hereby is directed to make the following transfer:

From: A.1000.1990-4907-EXP-Contingent Fund Expense To: A.1420.1420-4090-EXP-Professional Services

Sum: \$3,556.00

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Attorney, City of Gloversville, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor HOWARD and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COUNTY PARTICIPATION IN THE LEGAL DEFENSE OF CERTAIN ASSESSMENT REDUCTION ACTIONS WITHIN THE CITY OF JOHNSTOWN

WHEREAS, Resolution 293 of 2013 established a policy for County participation in the legal defense of real property tax assessments; and

WHEREAS, said policy specifies that the County will consider participation in the defense of challenges to real property tax assessments under the following conditions:

- 1. The legal challenge is made to an assessment for a tax parcel or combination of tax parcels with an aggregate full market value of \$500,000.00 or more;
- 2. Taxing jurisdictions other than the County with interests in the challenged assessment participate meaningfully in the legal defense of the assessment;
- 3. The County's participation does not exceed an amount or to an extent that represents its proportional interest as reflected by the full value tax rate; and
- 4. The Board determines that participation is in the best interests of the County and affirmatively acts by resolution to participate.

and

WHEREAS, the County Treasurer recommends County participation in the legal defense of the following assessment reduction actions that meet the above criteria:

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City of Johnstown 300 Enterprise Road (SBL 174.17-1-1, 173.20-1-1, 185.5-1-2) (Requested assessment reduction: $40,189,200.00 to $15,322,000.00)

City of Johnstown 209 N. Comrie Ave. to 223 N. Comrie Ave (SBL 163.13-1-9.21, 163.13-1-9.121, 163.13-1-33)
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(Requested assessment reduction: \$7,350,000.00 to \$2,585,000.00)

now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the County Treasurer and County Attorney be and hereby are directed to assist the City of Johnstown Attorney, as well as the respective school districts in the legal defense of these assessment reduction actions; and, be it further

# **Resolution No. 252 (Continued)**

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Attorney, City of Johnstown, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board and to each and every other person, agency or institution who may further the purport of this Resolution.

Seconded by Supervisor PERRY and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS BETWEEN THE COUNTY TREASURER AND CERTAIN TITLE INSURANCE COMPANIES FOR TITLE SEARCH SERVICES

WHEREAS, Resolution 76 of 2020 authorized distribution of a Request for Proposals for Title Search Services and one (1) Proposal was received; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 131 of 2020 authorized a Contract between the County Treasurer and Chain of Deeds Abstracts, LLC for Title Search Services to complete 200 to 250 searches at a cost of \$115.00 per search; and

WHEREAS, due to the County Treasurer needing approximately 400 to 450 searches completed each year, he solicited additional proposals from other area firms; and

WHEREAS, Genesis Abstract, Inc. and KCS Land Research Corp. responded to the County Treasurer's request to complete Title Searches at a fee of \$125.00 per search; and

WHEREAS, in fairness to all contractors, the County Treasurer recommends contracting with Chain of Deeds, LLC, Genesis Abstract Inc. and KCS Land Research Corp. at a cost not to exceed \$125.00 per search to complete all Title Search work required for annual property tax enforcement; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That upon the recommendation of the County Treasurer and Committee on Finance, the Chairman of the Board be and hereby is authorized to sign contracts with the following title search companies:

Chain of Deeds LLC (240 River Street, Apt. C, Warrensburg, NY) Genesis Abstract Inc. (128 West Main Street, Mohawk, NY) KCS Land Research Corp. (9 Mohawk Place, Amsterdam, NY)

effective immediately through May 31, 2021, at the following rates:

\$90.00 per parcel for base search 15.00 per parcel for bankruptcy search 20.00 per parcel for search update

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That said contract awards be and hereby are contingent upon each abstract company submitting a Certificate of Insurance for professional liability insurance naming the County as an additional insured for the entire period of the contract work; and, be it further

# RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Clerk, Chain of Deeds, LLC, Genesis Abstract Inc., KCS Land Research Corp., Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor CALLERY and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION SETTING DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE 2021-2023 CAPITAL PLAN

RESOLVED, That the Board of Supervisors for the County of Fulton will meet at the Board of Supervisors' Chambers in the County Office Building, Johnstown, NY, on Tuesday, November 9, 2020, at 1:30 p.m. for the purpose of holding a public hearing on the proposed 2021-2023 Capital Plan for Fulton County; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors give notice of said public hearing on said proposed 2021-2023 Capital Plan for Fulton County and that said notice shall be published once in the official newspaper of this County, at least five (5) days prior to the date of said public hearing; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, All Affected Departments, Planning Director, Budget Director/County Auditor, Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board, and to each and every other person, institution or agency which will further the purport of this Resolution.

Seconded by Supervisor BREH and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING CAPITAL RESERVE FUND FOR FULTON COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT NO. 3: MECO

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article 5-A of the NYS County Law, Resolution 320 of 2002 designated the Board of Supervisors to act as the "Fulton County Water and Sewer Agency"; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 206 of 2019 established Fulton County Sewer District No. 3: Meco; and

WHEREAS, Section 6-c of the NYS General Municipal Law authorizes the governing board of any county, city, village, town or sewer and water improvement district to establish capital reserve funds for the financing of all or part of the cost of:

- a. The construction, reconstruction or acquisition of a specific capital improvement or the acquisition of a specific item or specific items of equipment;
- b. The construction, reconstruction or acquisition of a type of capital improvement or the acquisition of a type of equipment.

and,

WHEREAS, the monies in that fund shall be deposited, shall be accounted for and shall be expended as is provided by Article 2, Section 10 of NYS General Municipal Law; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That by this Resolution, the Fulton County Board of Supervisors hereby creates a reserve fund known as "Fulton County Sewer District No. 3: Meco Capital Reserve Fund" within the meaning of Section 6-c of NYS General Municipal Law; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Budget Director/County Auditor shall recommend to the Board of Supervisors, a budgetary appropriation into such fund during every fiscal year; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That the Budget Director/County Auditor and County Treasurer be and hereby are authorized to perform each and every function necessary to implement and comply with the meaning of this Resolution; and, be it further

# **Resolution No. 255 (Continued)**

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Attorney, Superintendent of Highways & Facilities, Planning Director, Budget Director/County Auditor, Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board and to each and every other person, institution or agency who will further the purport of this Resolution.

Seconded by Supervisor BLACKMON and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CERTAIN TRANSFERS AND BUDGET AMENDMENTS

RESOLVED, That the County Treasurer be and hereby is directed to make the following transfers:

# District Attorney

From: A.1165.1165-4150.1000 – EXP – Utilities-Electric \$1,000.00 A.1165.1165-4090 – EXP – Professional Services \$2,000.00

To: A.1165.1165-4130 – EXP – Contractual \$3,000.00

# Treasurer

From: A.1325.1325-4090 – EXP – Professional Services

To: A.1325.1325-4130 – EXP – Contractual

Sum: \$7,990.00

# Public Health

From: A.4010.4010-1000 – EXP – Payroll To: A.4010.4010-4100 – EXP – Advertising

Sum: \$2,000.00

From: A.4010.4010-4010 – EXP – Equipment – Non-Asset To: A.4010.4010-2000 – EXP – Equipment – Fixed Asset

Sum: \$1,434.00

# Weights and Measures

From: A.6610.6610-4210 – EXP – Training and Conferences To: A.6610.6610-4010 – EXP – Non-Asset Equipment

Sum: \$500.00

(scale purchase to replace broken unit)

# **Highway**

From: D.5010.5110-4620 - EXP - Road Maintenance

To: D.5010.3310-4130 – EXP – Contractual

Sum: \$3,600.00

From: DM.9550.9550-5000 - EXP - Transfer to Reserve

To: DM-0882.0883 – Road Machinery Fuel System Reserve

Sum: \$1,500.00

and, be it further

# **Resolution No. 256 (Continued)**

RESOLVED, That the 2020 Adopted Budget be and hereby is amended as follows:

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Revenue

Increase A.1000.5630-3594 – REV – State Aid – Bus and Other
Mass Transportation Projects

\$107,495.00

Appropriation

Increase A.1000.5630-4130 - EXP- Contractual \$107,495.00

Sheriff

Increase

Revenue A.3110.3110-1589 - REV- Other Public Safety
Departmental Income
\$15,750.00

Appropriation

Increase A.3110.3110-1100 – EXP – Overtime \$15,750.00

Revenue

Increase A.3110.3110-2665 – REV – Sale of Equipment \$ 1,458.00

Appropriation

Increase A.3110.3110-4010 – EXP – Equipment - Non-Asset \$ 960.00 Increase A.3110.3110-4530 – EXP – Supplies \$ 498.00 (M-4 Rifle Optics purchase)

Revenue

Increase A.3110.3110-2680 - REV- Insurance Recoveries \$ 1,845.00

Appropriation

Increase A.3110.3110-4540 - EXP- Vehicle Maintenance \$ 1,845.00

and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, District Attorney, Sheriff, Public Health Director, Weights and Measures, Highways and Facilities, Budget Director/County Auditor and Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board.

Seconded by Supervisor BORN and adopted by the following vote:

Supervisor ARGOTSINGER offered the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

# RESOLUTION APPOINTING WENDY PERRY TO THE FULTON-MONTGOMERY COMMUNITY COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WHEREAS, a vacancy exits on the Fulton-Montgomery Community College Board of Trustees resulting from expiration of the rotating seat previously held by Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, it is now the responsibility of Fulton County to appoint a member to the Board of Trustees for the term July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2027; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That Wendy Perry of Broadalbin, NY, be and hereby is appointed as a member of the Fulton-Montgomery Community College Board of Trustees effective immediately for the remainder of the term July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2027; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That Wendy Perry is required to complete the Fulton County Board of Ethics' Financial Disclosure Statement and is further directed to sign the Fulton County Oath Book located in the Fulton County Clerk's Office; and, be it further

RESOLVED, That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, FMCC Board of Trustees, FMCC President, Montgomery County Legislature, Wendy Perry, Budget Director/County Auditor/Administrative Officer/Clerk of the Board and to each and every other person, institution or agency who will further purport of this Resolution.

Seconded by Supervisor CALLERY and adopted by the following vote:

TOTAL: Ayes: 16 Nays: 0 Absent: 4 (Supervisors Lauria, Perry, Wilson and Young)