

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 13, 2025

The Finance Committee of the Broome County Legislature met on Thursday, March 13, 2025 in the Legislative Conference Room, Sixth Floor, Edwin L. Crawford County Office Building.

Members Present: S. Flagg (Chair), E. Micha (Voting Representative for L. Augostini), S. Baker, K. Wildoner, M. Kaminsky

Members Absent: None

Others Present: B. Weslar, D.Reynolds, M. McDonald, J. Scott, C. French, C. Hall, Legislature; M. Ponticiello, C. Wagner, J. Garnar, County Executive; N. Angeline, T. Adams, OMB; C. Sullivan, Law; R. O'Donnell, J. Haas, Land Bank; S. Blass, RPTS; C. Dziedzic, J. Mihalko, County Clerk's Office; P. Battisti, DA; K. White, DSS; B. Schramm, M. Turbush, OFA; A. Fiala, Planning; K. Empett, Mental Health; L. Bellmore, Health; B. Murphy, OET; M. Walker, JCC Board of Directors; V. Gialanella, Visitor

The Committee meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 4:06 p.m. Mr. Baker moved the agenda, seconded by Mr. Wildoner. The Committee took the following action with regard to the matters before it:

#1 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RETENTION OF \$597,289.05 PER ANNUM (APRIL 1, 2025 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2026) BY THE BROOME COUNTY CLERK FOR THE COUNTY OF BROOME FROM MORTGAGE TAXES

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#2 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH THE WLADIS LAW FIRM, P.C. FOR PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#3 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH BARCLAY DAMON LLP FOR PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#4 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH CAPEZZA HILL LLP FOR PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#5 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE BROOME COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL AS IT RELATES TO THE TUITION REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#6 RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE APPOINTMENT OF KAREN ANDREWS AS ACTING CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#7 RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE APPOINTMENT OF LYNETTE BELLMORE AS ACTING DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#8 RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE APPOINTMENT OF KIMBERLY SAUNDERS AS ACTING COMMISSIONER OF COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#9 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PERSONNEL CHANGE REQUESTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#10 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CORRECTION OF ERRORS ON TAX ROLLS FOR THE TOWN OF DICKINSON

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#11 RESOLUTION APPROVING SALE OF COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY TO THE BROOME COUNTY LAND BANK

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#13 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE BROOME-TIOGA STORMWATER COALITION MS4 MAPPING PROJECT PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN TIER EAST REGIONAL PLANNING DEVELOPMENT BOARD TO ADMINISTER SAID PROGRAM FOR 2025-2027

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#16 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT (EMPG) FOR THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2024-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#18 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES AND BROOME COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#19 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE VESTAL POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION FOR FUNDING FROM THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S TRAFFIC DIVERSION RESERVE ACCOUNT FOR 2025

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#20 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH MCFARLAND JOHNSON FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR 2025-2028

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#21 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH DELTA ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS, & LAND SURVEYORS FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FOR 2020-2024

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#22 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH IDEA KRAFT FOR PROFESSIONAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN SERVICES FOR THE WILLOW POINT REHABILITATION AND NURSING CENTER FOR 2025

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#23 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH MANAGE ASSIST FOR PROFESSIONAL MANAGEMENT TRAINING SERVICES FOR THE WILLOW POINT REHABILITATION AND NURSING CENTER FOR 2025

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#24 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH CLEAR PATH FOR VETERANS, INC TO LEASE SPACE AT THE BROOME COUNTY VETERANS RESOURCE CENTER FOR 2025-2029

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#25 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTHERN TIER VETERANS SUPPORT GROUP TO LEASE SPACE AT THE BROOME COUNTY VETERANS RESOURCE CENTER FOR 2025-2029

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#26 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH KINDERCARE EDUCATION AT WORK FOR CHILDCARE SERVICES AT THE OAKDALE COMMONS FOR 2025-2029

Mr. Walker expressed his concerns with a new childcare facility at the Oakdale Commons. Responding to a question from the committee, Mr. Ponticello stated that the cost to the County will be covered as long as there is 50% occupancy in the childcare program.

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#27 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE YOUTH TOBACCO ENFORCEMENT AND PREVENTION PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#28 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE ENHANCED WATER SUPPLY PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#30 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE THE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING, ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH BROOME TIOGA BOCES TO ADMINISTER SAID PROGRAM FOR 2025

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#31 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A PILOT AGREEMENT WITH ABUNDANT SOLAR POWER, LLC AND CONSENTING TO THE AMOUNT AND ALLOCATION OF CERTAIN TAX PAYMENTS FOR SOLAR ENERGY SYSTEMS LOCATED AT 327 HARDIE ROAD IN THE TOWN OF CONKLIN

At the request of the Administration, this Resolution was withdrawn from the Agenda. No further action taken.

#32 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF MONROE PLAN FOR MEDICAL CARE, INC. PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH MONROE PLAN FOR MEDICAL CARE, INC. TO ADMINISTER SAID PROGRAM FOR 2025

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#33 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH HOMEMAKERS OF BROOME D/B/A CAREGIVERS FOR HOME HEALTH CARE AIDE SERVICES FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#34 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN TIER INDEPENDENCE CENTER TO ACT AS FISCAL INTERMEDIARY FOR CONSUMER DIRECTED SERVICES FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING'S EXPANDED IN-HOME SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY PROGRAM (EISEP), UNMET NEED PROGRAM, TITLE III-E FAMILY CAREGIVER PROGRAM FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#35 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE HEALTHY NEIGHBORHOODS PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#36 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT WITH TWIN TIER HOME HEALTH, INC., FOR PERSONAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE SERVICES FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#37 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS VENDORS FOR PERSONAL CARE/HOMEMAKER SERVICES FOR VARIOUS OFFICE FOR AGING PROGRAMS FOR 2025-2026

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#38 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REVISION OF THE TITLE III-B SUPPORTIVE SERVICES PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING AND ADOPTING A REVISED PROGRAM BUDGET IN CONNECTION THEREWITH FOR 2025

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#39 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF THE ADOPTION GUARDIANSHIP RECRUITMENT PROGRAM GRANT FOR DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2024-2025

Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

- #40 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE WELLNESS IN NUTRITION (WIN) PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026
Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0
- #41 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION AND COUNSELING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANT, ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET AND RENEWING AN AGREEMENT WITH ACTION FOR OLDER PERSONS, INC. FOR 2025-2026
Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0
- #42 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026
Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0
- #43 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF CONGREGATE SERVICES INITIATIVE (CSI) PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026
Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0
- #44 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026
Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0
- #45 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE NEW YORK CONNECTS EXPANSION AND ENHANCEMENT (E&E) PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026
Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0
- #46 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE UNMET NEEDS PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE OFFICE FOR AGING AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026
Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0
- #47 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF THE TOBACCO CONTROL PROGRAM GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ADOPTING A PROGRAM BUDGET FOR 2025-2026
Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0
- #48 RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH THE DEPOSIT LUMBERJACK FESTIVAL FOR FUNDING FROM THE SMALL COMMUNITY GRANT FOR 2023-2024
Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0
- #49 RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2024 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#50 RESOLUTION AMENDING BOND RESOLUTION 2023-404, DATED NOVEMBER 9, 2023, AS AMENDED BY RESOLUTION 2024-137 HERETOFOR ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF BROOME, NEW YORK WITH RESPECT TO THE MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COSTS AND PLANNED FINANCING THEREFORE
Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

#51 RESOLUTION AMENDING BOND RESOLUTION 2024-418, DATED NOVEMBER 7, 2024, HERETOFOR ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF BROOME, NEW YORK WITH RESPECT TO THE MAXIMUM ESTIMATED COSTS AND PLANNED FINANCING THEREFORE
Carried. Ayes-5, Nays-0

Terra Adams, Deputy Director of OMB gave an overview of County programs and positions that are supported by Federal funding and shared a memo on the potential pause of Federal Funds (on file with the minutes).

There being no further business to come before the Committee at this time, Mr. Baker made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Wildoner. The meeting adjourned at 4:32 p.m.