



**ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY
FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA
MR. BEN HULL, CHAIR
MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025
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RUTH A. DOYLE
County Administrator

DAVID FORSYTHE
Chair, Board of Legislators

1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 24, 2025

3. COUNTY ATTORNEY – STEVE BUTTON

- A. Setting a Date for a Public Hearing on Proposed Local Law E (No. __) for the Year 2025, “A Local Law Superseding County Law Section 215 to Extend a Lease to Empire State Mines, LLC. for Exploration and Development of County Owned Mineral Rights” (Res)
- B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Application to the St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency Community Development and Environmental Improvement Program (Res)

4. TREASURER – RENEE COLE

- A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Venesky & Co. to Prepare the Annual Indirect Cost Allocation Report for St. Lawrence County for the Fiscal Years 2024, 2025, and 2026 (Res)
- B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Extension to the Agreement Authorizing Drescher & Malecki, LLP to Prepare the Annual Audits for Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025 (Res)

5. REAL PROPERTY – BRUCE GREEN

- A. Authorizing a Correction of Errors for Gouverneur Wrestling Club, Inc. (Res)
- B. 2025 County Tax Bill Errors Corrective Action Plan Presentation (Info)

6. HIGHWAY – DON CHAMBERS

- A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract for the Department of Highways to Provide Fuel Services to the Village of Canton (Res)
- B. Rescinding Resolution No. 296-2024 and Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Five (5) Year Contract Extension with the New York State Department of Transportation for the Snow and Ice Control Agreement on State Highways (Res) (Info)

7. AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) UPDATE

- A. Broadband Development Update (Info)
- B. Status Update (Discussion)

8. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement between the Department of Social Services and the Sheriff's Office for the Provision of Security Services at the Harold B. Smith Building (Res)

9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – RUTH DOYLE

- A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Application to the Empire State Development County Infrastructure Grant Program and Committing Matching Funds (Res)
- B. Option to Realign the Indigent Defense Structure in St. Lawrence County: Pause Operations of the Office of the Conflict Defender; and Consider the Consolidation of Staff to the Public Defender's Office, and Consideration of Authorizing the Opening of a Public Defender's Satellite Office in Ogdensburg (Discussion)

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Cornell Cooperative Extension Board (Denesha)
- B. Fish and Wildlife Management Board, Region 6 (Sheridan)
- C. Fisheries Advisory Board (Terminelli)
- D. Gouverneur Fair Board (Smithers)
- E. Highway/Solid Waste Committee (Smithers)
- F. Industrial Development Agency (Reagen)
- G. Recreational and Trails Advisory Board (Perkins/Webster)
- H. St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency (RVRDA) (Forsythe)
- I. St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce (Webster)
- J. Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors (Burke/Webster)

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

12. ADJOURNMENT – If there is no further business.

April 7, 2025

Finance Committee: 3-24-2025

RESOLUTION NO.

SETTING A DATE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED LOCAL LAW E (NO. ___) FOR THE YEAR 2025, "A LOCAL LAW SUPERSEDING COUNTY LAW SECTION 215 TO EXTEND A LEASE TO EMPIRE STATE MINES, LLC. FOR EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF COUNTY OWNED MINERAL RIGHTS"

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, under the Real Property Tax Law, the County of St. Lawrence serves as the tax-enforcing entity with the ability to collect and foreclose upon unpaid tax debts, and

WHEREAS, in the 1950s, 1960s, and 1970s, prior to the current statutory scheme, it was possible to both assess and tax mineral right interests separate and distinct from the interests of the real property for which those mineral rights were derived from, and

WHEREAS, during the period from 1950 to 1979, the County of St. Lawrence (hereinafter referred to as "County") became the record title owner of ninety-three (93) parcels of mineral rights located in the Town of Edwards, Town of Clare, Town of Fine, Town of Fowler, Town of Pitcairn, Town of Hammond, Town of Macomb, Town of Rossie, and Town of Gouverneur which is recorded in the St. Lawrence County Clerk's Office (collectively, the "Parcels"), and

WHEREAS, the County has never explored the Parcels to determine if they are of any value or are bereft of benefit, and

WHEREAS, since acquisition, while the mineral rights have not been exercised, the County has continued to make the underlying towns whole for all lost tax income related to the mineral rights, and

WHEREAS, on January 2, 2025, the Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 29-2025 authorizing one or more lease agreements on certain parcels in the Southern Region of St. Lawrence County with Empire State Mines, LLC ("ESM"), subject to review and approval by the County Attorney, and

WHEREAS, during negotiations with ESM concerning such lease agreements, the County and ESM have discussed entering into an agreement for up to forty (40) years to encourage development of the mineral rights on some of the Parcels and an agreement of up to twenty-five (25) years that would grant ESM an option to enter with the County into similar lease agreements concerning the balance of the Parcels, under terms and conditions that are mutually agreeable, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to County Law § 215, counties are generally precluded from leasing county-owned property for periods of time that exceed five (5) years, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Municipal Home Rule Law § 24, a county may lease county-owned property for a period greater than five (5) years, upon the passage of a local law subject to permissive referendum, and

WHEREAS, in exchange for the lease and option agreements, ESM would commit to the following:

1. Upon the expiration of a lease or option agreement relating to any Parcel, to turn over to the County all exploration data and similar information relating to that Parcel that ESM has generated during the term of the agreement; and
2. To commit to maintain employment at ESM's facility in St. Lawrence County with the expectation of greater expansion should sufficient mineral deposits be located; and
3. For any new jobs created relating to the exploration and development (including mining) of the Parcels, to give first priority for such jobs to residents of St. Lawrence County who are qualified for such jobs and who apply for such jobs;

WHEREAS, the lease and option agreements would be advantageous to both the County and ESM, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators has made it a priority to assist in economic development that brings with it the potential for job creation in the County, and

WHEREAS, the law requires that adoption of a local law pursuant to Municipal Home Rule Law §24 be preceded by a public hearing,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that a public hearing on proposed Local Law E (No. __) for the Year 2025, "Adopting a Local Law Superseding County Law Section 215 to Extend a Lease to Empire State Mines, LLC. for Exploration and Development of County Owned Mineral Rights" will be held on Monday, May 5, 2025, at 5:50 p.m. in the Legislative Chambers.

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW E (NO. __) FOR THE YEAR 2025,
"A LOCAL LAW SUPERSEDING COUNTY LAW SECTION 215 TO EXTEND A
LEASE TO EMPIRE STATE MINES, LLC. FOR EXPLORATION AND
DEVELOPMENT OF COUNTY OWNED MINERAL RIGHTS"**

BE IT ENACTED by the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators as follows:

A local law, pursuant to Section 24 of the Municipal Home Rule Law, authorizing the County of St. Lawrence, notwithstanding any contrary provision of Section 215 of the County Law of the State of New York, to enter into: (1) a lease agreement of up to forty (40) years, consisting of an initial term of twenty-five (25) years and renewals thereafter for five (5) additional years, for up to fifteen (15) additional years, during which time the lessor would have the right to explore, extract and otherwise develop the mineral rights the County owns on fifty-six (56) of ninety-three (93) parcels located in the Town of Edwards, Town of Clare, Town of Fine, Town of Fowler, Town of Pitcairn, Town of Hammond, Town of Macomb, Town of Rossie, and Town of Gouverneur which are recorded in the St. Lawrence County Clerk's Office (collectively, the "Parcels"); and (2) an option agreement of up to 25 years, consisting of an initial term of 5 years

and renewals thereafter for one (1) additional year, for up to twenty (20) additional years, during which time the lessor could explore for the presence of minerals on the balance of the Parcels and would have the option to enter with the County into similar lease agreements to further explore, extract and otherwise develop the mineral rights on some or all of those Parcels.

Section 1. Purpose

The County of St. Lawrence desires to enter into the aforesaid agreements with Empire State Mines, LLC.

Section 2. Legal Authority

New York State County Law Section 215(4) provides that a county may lease a property it owns for a term not to exceed five years. However, pursuant to County Law Section 2(b), a county may enter into lease agreements for terms greater than five years if the county authorizes such lease agreements by local law. New York State Municipal Home Rule Law Section 24 provides that any local law that changes a provision of law relating to leasing of real property is subject to referendum on petition (permissive referendum).

Section 3. Applicability

The County of St. Lawrence is authorized, notwithstanding New York State County Law Section 215(4), which is hereby superseded, to enter with Empire State Mines, LLC into the aforesaid lease agreements, for durations of up to forty (40) years.

Section 4. Effective Date

Notice of the adoption of this local law subject to permissive referendum shall be published in the official newspaper of the County. This local law shall take effect at the end of the permissive referendum period upon filing in the Office of the Secretary of State, and if a permissive referendum is held, upon approval at the permissive referendum upon filing in the Office of the Secretary of State.

April 7, 2025

Finance Committee: 3-24-2025

RESOLUTION NO.

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN APPLICATION TO THE ST. LAWRENCE
RIVER VALLEY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County (“County”) has developed a strategic plan to target potentially environmentally contaminated properties throughout the County to assist in making these once economically productive properties beneficial to their communities again, and

WHEREAS, the County commenced an action against property located in the Town of Hammond due to tax delinquency by a tax foreclosure proceeding on November 1, 2020, for unpaid ad valorem real property taxes with respect to the following property located in St. Lawrence County (hereinafter referred to as the “Site”), and:

“Site”

- Record Owner: Rosalyn Salamacha
- Site Address: 18 S Main Street, Hammond, New York
- Tax ID #: 127.053-3-1
- DEC Spill No: 2109158
- DEC Spill Cleanup Status: Open

WHEREAS, the New York Environmental Protection and Spill Compensation Fund (the "Fund") was created by Navigation Law §179, and

WHEREAS, following acquisition of judgment and title to the Site by the County, in 2022 and 2023, pursuant to an authorized agreement between the County and the Fund, the Fund performed a partial cleanup of petroleum contaminants at the Salamacha Site, and

WHEREAS, unfortunately, due to the existence of the original structure, complete remediation was not possible at that time, and

WHEREAS, the agreement between the Fund and the County still requires the State of New York, through the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, to perform all necessary environmental remediation at the Site should the existing structure be removed, at a cost to be solely borne by the State of New York, and

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate redevelopment of the Site, the County wants to secure funds to assist in the demolition of the original structure at the Site, which would permit the State of New York to complete remediation and permit the County to list the property for sale, and

WHEREAS, funds are available from the St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency Community Development and Environmental Improvement Program to assist in the anticipated cost of demolition of the Site,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an application to the St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency Community Development and Environmental Improvement Program, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign any documentation necessary for the application, administration, reporting and close-out of this project.

April 7, 2025

Finance Committee: 3-24-2025

RESOLUTION NO.

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH VENESKY & CO. TO
PREPARE THE ANNUAL INDIRECT COST ALLOCATION REPORT FOR ST.
LAWRENCE COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 2024, 2025, AND 2026**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, St Lawrence County is required to submit an annual Indirect Cost Allocation Plan, and

WHEREAS, a competitive process was undertaken to retain service for the preparation of the St. Lawrence County Annual Indirect Cost Allocation Report (CAR), and

WHEREAS, after a review of the quotes, the County Treasurer recommends retaining the firm of Venesky & Company whose quote was \$14,000 each for the fiscal years 2024, 2025, and 2026, and

WHEREAS, an optional three (3) year extension, which would include a small increase (\$500), has also been offered for \$14,500 each year for fiscal years 2027, 2028, and 2029 and will be evaluated at the end of the initial three (3) year contract,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Venesky & Co. to prepare the Annual Indirect Cost Allocation Report for fiscal years 2024, 2025, and 2026 for \$14,000 each year (BL010104 43007), upon approval of the County Attorney.

April 7, 2025

Finance Committee: 3-24-2025

RESOLUTION NO.

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN EXTENSION TO THE AGREEMENT
AUTHORIZING DRESCHER & MALECKI, LLP TO PREPARE THE ANNUAL
AUDITS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2024 AND 2025**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, Resolution 282-2020 was adopted authorizing the chair to sign a contract with Drescher & Malecki, LLP to prepare the St. Lawrence County Annual Audit Reports for the fiscal years 2021 (\$59,750), 2022 (\$60,500), and 2023 (\$61,250), and

WHEREAS, an optional two-year extension was offered in the amount of \$62,000 for 2024 and \$62,750 for 2025, and

WHEREAS, the scope of work provided annually by Drescher & Malecki, LLP includes the general purpose financial statements, the single audit including the NYS Department of Transportation, and the Consolidated Fiscal Report (CFR) for the Mental Health Services in St. Lawrence County Community Services, and

WHEREAS, Drescher & Malecki, LLP have provided a high-caliber service and have a thorough understanding of the requirements of municipal audits and continue to be a valuable resource to the County, and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Treasurer to continue to retain the services of Drescher & Malecki, LLP,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract extension with Drescher & Malecki, LLP to prepare the annual audits for fiscal years 2024 and 2025 (BL010104 43007).

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Finance Committee: 3-24-2025

RESOLUTION NO.

AUTHORIZING A CORRECTION OF ERRORS FOR GOUVERNEUR WRESTLING CLUB, INC.

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the 2025 Town and County Tax Bill for Gouverneur Wrestling Club, Inc tax map number 159.004-1-17 did not receive a Wholly Exempt Non Profit Exemption, and

WHEREAS, Real Property Tax Law Article 5 allows for Correction of Assessment Rolls and Tax Rolls using the RP 554 Form for certain errors and filed with the Director of Real Property Tax Services and approved by the Board of Legislators, and

WHEREAS, the Director of Real Property has affirmed that a correction should occur pursuant to Article 5 of the Real Property Tax Law and is recommending that the taxes be corrected,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes Real Property Tax Law correction of taxes, as follows:

Name:	Gouverneur Wrestling Club, Inc
St. Lawrence County:	Gouverneur
Tax Roll Year:	2025
Tax Map No.:	159.004-1-17
Original Bill:	\$6,685.49
Corrected Bill:	0
Reason:	Real Property Staff did not apply the Wholly Exempt Non Profit Exemption to this property.

Corrective Action Plan – For Real Property Town/County Tax Bills

3/20/2025

	Process/Procedure	Position/Title	Timeline
1	Coordinator attends Tax Bill Processing Training at Washington County Real Property	Coordinator	March 20-21, 2025
2	Design a standard Budget Summary Sheet that all municipalities will use, supervisors and town clerks will receive training on using this	Coordinator	June 30
3	Email notifications to Towns of budget deadline date of November 12 th	Secretary	October 20
4	Tax Bill Information Sheet is sent to towns, need back by November 4 th	Secretary	October 22
5	Chargeback Resolution for Board of Elections, Real Property, Community College and Workers Compensation is approved by Board of Legislators	Director	November 3
6	Receive budgets from towns and review all budget documents for completeness, Tax Bill Checklist is placed in pocket folder	Secretary	November 20
7	Water and Sewer Re-levies are put on V-4	Coordinator	November 20 (ongoing)
8	Real Property will email towns who have not submitted their budgets, followed up by a phone call in 2 days	Secretary	November 24
9	BOL approved Chargebacks (Elections, Real Property, Community College and Workers Compensation) applied to each towns Tax Rate Worksheet	Coordinator	November 20
10	Apportionment Calculations for Special Districts (ie. Water, Sewer, Fire & Library Districts)	Director	November 20
11	Compare each town budget to the budget summary sheet for accuracy, then calculate and update the Tax Rate Worksheet	Tech	November 20
12	Apply chargebacks and apportionments	Coordinator	November 20
13	Municipal Approval Sheet will be sent to each municipality. Sheet will be returned signed/dated approving accuracy of the billing information using a 155p1 file	Secretary	November 26

	Process/Procedure	Position/Title	Timeline
14	Board of Legislators adopts County Budget	Legislature	December 1 * (* tentative date)
15	Re-Levies are received by City of Ogdensburg to be posted to each parcel (school, water and sewer)	Senior Aide	December 10
16	Re-Levies are received by County Treasurer's Office to be posted to each parcel (school, village & bounced checks)	Senior Aide	December 11
17	Proof the Budget Summary Sheet to Tax Rate Worksheet, proof chargebacks, apportionments and re-levies, discrepancies are flagged	Director	December 12-29 (ongoing)
18	Discrepancies are addressed with the appropriate municipalities	Director Tech	December 12-29
19	Tax Rate Worksheets are keyed into RPS V4 system	Coordinator	December 12-29
20	Checklist sent to County Administrator for status update	Secretary	December 12-29
21	Tax bill and rate files are sent to the Treasurer's Office to review the county tax line, chargebacks and re-levy balances, Matching Totals step	Coordinator	December 12
22	Print two test tax bills to be certain exemptions are being correctly applied: • Senior Exemption • Veterans Exemption	Coordinator	December 12-29
23	Test Bills will be proofed for accuracy	Proofer 1 - Sr. Aide Proofer 2 - Director	December 12-29
24	Warrants are delivered to County Administrator for signing	Secretary	December 22-29
25	Tax bills are sent to Central Printing for printing, folding & stuffing	Coordinator	December 12-29
26	Tax bills are mailed from Central Printing	Central Printing	December 31

April 7, 2025

Finance Committee: 3-24-2025

RESOLUTION NO.

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF
HIGHWAYS TO PROVIDE FUEL SERVICES TO THE VILLAGE OF CANTON**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the Village of Canton uses a fleet of motor vehicles to provide various services for the Village throughout the year, and

WHEREAS, the fuel system of the County, located at the Department of Highways, has the capacity to provide fuel to the Village of Canton fleet, allowing them a significant cost savings (HR051304-441FI, HR027705-550GR),

WHEREAS, this contract shall become effective on April 1, 2025, and shall expire on June 30, 2027,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract for the Department of Highways to provide fuel services to the Village of Canton, upon approval of the County Attorney.

April 7, 2025

Finance Committee: 3-24-2025

RESOLUTION NO.

RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 296-2024 AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A FIVE (5) YEAR CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH THE NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE SNOW AND ICE CONTROL AGREEMENT ON STATE HIGHWAYS

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 296-2024 authorized a four (4) year Agreement (HS023025 55000) with New York State Department of Transportation entitled “Snow and Ice Agreement” with certain municipalities as subcontractors (HS051444 465CO), and

WHEREAS, the term of the 2024-2029 Snow and Ice Agreement is five (5) years and the present term of the Agreement expired on June 30, 2024,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a five (5) year contract extension with the New York State Department of Transportation for the Snow and Ice Control Agreement on State Highways, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the approval of agreements with the municipalities that perform snow and ice control as subcontractors of St. Lawrence County.

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Finance Committee: 3-24-2025

RESOLUTION NO.

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR THE
PROVISION OF SECURITY SERVICES AT THE HAROLD B. SMITH BUILDING**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the contract with Securitas is nearing its term and Resolution No. 7-2025 was passed in January 2025 for the opportunity to create a new title in the Sheriff's Office and pilot a new model of security with part-time Special Patrol Officer (SPO) Positions, and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff's Office is hiring Special Patrol Officers (SPO) to for the provision of security services at the Harold B. Smith Building, Monday through Friday from 7:30 am through 4:30 pm, as well as any other time deemed necessary, and

WHEREAS, SPOs will conduct security screenings; respond to in-progress incidents in and around the Harold B. Smith Building; as well as coordinate and assist law enforcement and medical personnel when necessary, and

WHEREAS, the Agreement will provide the Sheriff's Office with the authority to assume responsibility for the security of the Harold B. Smith Building and the safety of the individuals in it, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Canton will maintain jurisdiction over the location and the Special Patrol Officers will assist if there is a need for the Village Police Department to respond,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an Agreement between the Department of Social Services and the Sheriff's Office for the provision of security services at the Harold B. Smith Building (DAA60104 430SS), upon approval of the County Attorney.

April 7, 2025

Finance Committee: 3-24-2025

RESOLUTION NO.

**AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN APPLICATION TO THE EMPIRE STATE
DEVELOPMENT COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM AND
COMMITTING MATCHING FUNDS**

By Mr. Hull, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, funds are available for county-led infrastructure projects across the State of New York through the Empire State Development (ESD) County Infrastructure Grant Program, and

WHEREAS, the County Courthouse Complex and H.B. Smith Building are subject to flooding during significant rain events, and

WHEREAS, the County has investigated flood mitigation options and is further aware that the Village of Canton is planning a significant update to storm water infrastructure in the area immediately surrounding this County property, and

WHEREAS, Empire State Development has confirmed the eligibility of a project to increase resiliency of the Village storm water system and to harden public infrastructure, and

WHEREAS, this program offers up to \$500,000 for such projects and requires equal matching funds,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an application to the ESD County Infrastructure Grant Program, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign any documentation necessary for the application, administration, reporting and close-out of this project, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators commits funds of up to \$225,000 toward the required local match, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes payment of the required \$250 application fee by wire transfer to Empire State Development Corporation.