

Members Attending: Mr. Burke, Ms. Curran, Mr. Denesha, Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Gennett, Ms. Haggard, **Mr. Hull**, Mr. Levato, Mr. Lightfoot, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Reagen, Mr. Sheridan, Mr. Smithers, Ms. Terminelli, and Mr. Webster

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA** - Mr. Hull called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Mr. Perkins moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** - Ms. Curran moved to approve the minutes of September 29, 2025, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

### **3. RECOGNITION CEREMONY**

Honoring Ten (10) Years of Service:

- Honorable John Burke, Legislator representing District 12
- Honorable Larry Denesha, Legislator representing District 6
- Honorable Richard Perkins, Legislator representing District 7
- Ms. Rebekah Zuhlsdorf, Deputy Clerk to the Board of Legislators

Honoring Fifteen (15) Years of Service:

- Honorable Joseph Lightfoot, Legislator representing District 3 (17 Years)

### **4. ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE (AI) MONTHLY - RICK JOHNSON, DIRECTOR**

### **5. COUNTY ATTORNEY – STEVE BUTTON**

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Gary S. Bowitch, Esq. for Legal Services Related to Environmental Matters – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, Mr. Forsythe, and Mr. Reagen, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement Between the New York Environmental Protection and Spill Compensation Fund and the County of St. Lawrence, New York, Regarding Tax Delinquent Properties Owned by Myron H. Lavigne and Nancy C. Lavigne – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

C. Authorizing the Chair to Sign an Agreement with New York Environmental Protection and Spill Compensation Fund Regarding Tax Delinquent Properties Owned by Ogdensburg Kiwanis Club – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) abstained vote (Reagen).

## **6. TREASURER – RENEE COLE**

A. Authorization to Abolish a Fiscal Officer Position in the Planning Office and Create and Fill an Assistant Accounting Supervisor Position in the Treasurer’s Office – Mr. Perkins moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

## **7. REAL PROPERTY – LISA CICCARELLI**

A. Elections, Real Property & Community College Apportionments for the Year 2026 – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and Mr. Smithers, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

## **8. HIGHWAY – DON CHAMBERS**

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign Agreements with Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. for Engineering Services for County Route 56 Culvert Repairs Related to Tropical Storm Debby and Modifying the 2025 Budget for the Department of Highways – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, Mr. Lightfoot, and Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

B. Highway Tour Update (Discussion) – Mr. Chambers

## **9. WIOA - PAM LEWIS**

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign the St. Lawrence County Local Workforce Development Area Local Plan – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

## **10. INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY - PATRICK KELLY**

A. Approving the Issuance by the Genesee County Funding Corporation, in One or More Series, as Part of a Plan of Finance, of Up to \$150,000,000 Aggregate Stated Principal Amount of Revenue Bonds (Rochester Regional Health Energy Projects), Series 2025 of Which up to \$25,000,000 Principal Amount Shall be Used to Finance Certain Facilities Located in St. Lawrence County – Mr. Forsythe moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Reagen, Mr. Lightfoot, and Mr. Perkins, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) abstained vote (Denesha).

## **11. AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) UPDATE – JASON PFOTENHAUER, DIRECTOR**

## **12. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – RUTH DOYLE**

A. Authorizing the Closure of Capital Projects for the County Administrator's Office, Highway Department, and Treasurer's Office – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

B. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Big Racquette, Inc. for Snow and Ice Removal Services for County Offices Located at 21 Harrowgate Commons, Massena, New York – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

C. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Labella Associates for Architectural and Engineering Services for the Renovations at the Harold B. Smith Building and the Human Services Center for Code Review – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Sheridan, Mr. Webster, and Mr. Forsythe, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

D. Designating the St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce as the St. Lawrence County Tourism Promotion Agency for 2026 – Mr. Smithers moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

E. Human Services Center Potential Department Relocations – Ms. Doyle

F. Q3 2025 FINANCIAL UPDATE – Ms. Doyle

## **13. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. Cornell Cooperative Extension Board (Denesha) – No report

B. Fish and Wildlife Management Board, Region 6 (Sheridan) – No report

C. Fisheries Advisory Board (Terminelli) – No report

D. Gouverneur Fair Board (Smithers) – No report

E. Highway/Solid Waste Committee (Smithers) – Mr. Smithers/Mr. Lightfoot

F. Industrial Development Agency (Reagen) – Mr. Reagen

G. Recreational and Trails Advisory Board (Perkins/Webster) – Mr. Perkins

H. St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency (RVRDA) (Forsythe) – Mr. Forsythe

I. St. Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce (Webster) – Mr. Webster

J. Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors (Burke) – Mr. Burke

#### **14. OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

#### **15. BRIEF RECESS**

#### **16. 2026 TENTATIVE BUDGET PRESENTATION – RUTH DOYLE, BUDGET OFFICER**

#### **17. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Forsythe moved to go to Executive Session at 8:02 p.m., to discuss litigation and personnel, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Ms. Haggard moved to go to Open Session at 9:27 p.m., seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

#### **18. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Levato moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Chair Hull adjourned the Finance Committee Meeting at 9:28 p.m., as there was no further business.