

St. Lawrence County
Board of Legislators
Board Room

Finance Committee
Monday, May 18, 2026
5:30 PM

Members Attending: Mr. Burke, Ms. Curran, Mr. Denesha, Mr. Forsythe, Mr. Gennett, Ms. Haggard, Mr. Robinson, 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. Lightfoot called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Due to extenuating circumstances Ms. Terminelli attended remotely from 84 Nightengale Ave, Massena, NY 13662

Ms. Curran moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Gennett.

Mr. Denesha moved to amend the agenda to add a resolution, Amending Resolution No. 166-2026 to Authorize the Chair to Sign a Construction Contract with Sheehan Contracting Corp. for Scour Repair of County Route 35 Over Grannis Brook (Bin 3341620), County Route 55 Over Allen Brook (Bin 1039790) and Boyden Brook Over Boyden Brook (Bin 3340680), seconded by Ms. Haggard and 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 April 27, 2026, seconded by Mr. Perkins, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

3. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL UPDATE & MARKETING PLAN FOR 2026 - BEN DIXON, DIRECTOR AND TIFFANI AMO, DIRECTOR OF TOURISM

4. TREASURER – RENEE COLE

A. Adopting Mortgage Tax Report – 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.

Mr. Webster left the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

5. HIGHWAY – RYAN HERRON

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Barton & Loguidice, D.P.C. for Spill Prevention Control and A Countermeasure Plan Update for the New York State Department of Conservation – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Gennett, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Mr. webster returned at 6:16 p.m.

B. Amending Resolution No. 166-2026 to Authorize the Chair to Sign a Construction Contract with Sheehan Contracting Corp. for Scour Repair of County Route 35 Over Grannis Brook (Bin 3341620), County Route 55 Over Allen Brook (Bin 1039790) and Boyden Brook Over Boyden Brook (Bin 3340680) – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Gennett and Ms. Haggard, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) abstained (Perkins).

6. AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) UPDATE

A. Broadband Update – Jason Pfothhauer

B. Utility Projects Update – Jason Pfothhauer

C. Projects Administered by the SLC IDA - Patrick Kelly, Executive Director

7. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – RUTH DOYLE

Ms. Doyle provided an update on the Fiscal Stability Committee.

Ms. Doyle reported a transfer of funds for the Sheriff’s Office in the amount of \$158.75 for records management and a transfer of funds for Community Services in the amount of \$1,668 for postage and required workbooks for the Impaired Driver Program.

Ms. Doyle shared that she and Emergency Services Staff as well as the property owners, Motorola, and CNS Engineers visited the Cranberry Lake land parcel adjacent to the existing tower, and adds that the location has a greater elevation.

Ms. Doyle reports that the project plaque for the Public Safety Complex is ordered, and once received will have a dedication ceremony.

Ms. Doyle reminds Board members that there will be no meeting next week in observance of Memorial Day.

Ms. Terminelli left the meeting at 6:49 p.m.

Ms. Terminelli returned at 6:51 p.m.

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Change Order Allowance Related to the Courthouse Building Improvement Project and Modifying the 2026 Budget for the Capital Project – 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.

8. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

A discussion took place on the possible implementation of a Fuel Surcharge.

Ms. Doyle was recognized to speak and provide additional information.

All Legislators were in agreement to bring a resolution forward at the June Full Board meeting.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Ad Hoc Committees

- a. Artificial Intelligence Committee (Reagen) – Mr. Reagen
- b. Buildings & Grounds Committee (Denesha) – Mr. Denesha
- c. Fiscal Stability Committee (Lightfoot) – Mr. Webster

d. GPS Committee (Terminelli) – Ms. Terminelli

Recommending the Acquisition and Installation of Global Positioning System (GPS) Equipment and Technology on all County Vehicles and Adopting Policies and Protocols Associated with the Use of County Vehicles – Ms. Terminelli 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. Highway/Solid Waste Committee (Smithers) – Mr. Smithers

f. Time and Attendance Committee (Perkins) – Mr. Perkins

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

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

D. Fisheries Advisory Board (Terminelli) – Ms. Terminelli

E. Gouverneur Fair Board (Smithers) – Mr. Smithers

F. Industrial Development Agency (Reagen) – No report

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) – No report

J. Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Directors (Burke/Levato) – No report

Mr. Forsythe moved to go to Executive Session at 7:25 P.M. to discuss litigation, negotiations, and personnel, seconded by Mr. Levato, and carried unanimously by a voice vote with fifteen (15) yes votes.

Ms. Terminelli left the meeting at 8:20 P.M.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Smithers moved to go to Open Session at 8:33 P.M., seconded by Ms. Haggard, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).

11. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Reagan moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Levato, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes, and one (1) absent (Terminelli).

Chair Lightfoot adjourned the Finance Committee Meeting at 8:33 P.M., as there was no further business.