St. Lawrence County	Finance Committee
Board of Legislators	Monday, December 23, 2024
Board Room	5:30 PM

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

Mr. Forsythe chaired the meeting, he stated that due to extenuating circumstances Mr. Sheridan will be attending remotely from 113 Mountain Spring Road, Burlington, CT.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Mr. Forsythe called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Ms. Curran moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. Smithers and Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Ms. Curran moved to approve the minutes of November 25, 2024 meeting, seconded by Mr. Burke, and Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

3. COUNTY ATTORNEY – STEVE BUTTON

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with the St. Lawrence County Fire Training Facility Inc., for Priority Use of the Training Facility by the Participants of the St. Lawrence County Self-Insurance Plan – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, Mr. Denesha, and Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

4. TREASURER – RENEE COLE

A. Authorizing Blanket Bond in Lieu of Individual Sureties for County Officials and Employees – Mr. Smithers moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, Mr. Lightfoot, and Mr. Fay, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

B. Authorizing Petty Cash Accounts and Departmental Cash Drawers – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

C. Bank Depositories and Investment of County Funds – Mr. Denesha moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

5. REAL PROPERTY –BRUCE GREEN

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with Schneider Geospatial, LLC for Licensing, Hosting, and Software Support for Image Mate Online for the Real Property Office – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Webster, and Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

B. Real Property Tax Exemptions: Changes to the Senior Exemption and the Disability & Limited Income Exemptions (Info)

C. Correction of Errors Annual Statistics

6. HIGHWAY – DON CHAMBERS

A. Modifying the 2025 Budget for the Highway Department for Replacement of Tooley Pond Road Bridge, BIN 3340750, with the 2025 Northern Border Regional Commission Catalyst Program Grant Award – Mr. Smithers moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Denesha, Ms. Curran, and Mr. Webster, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

B. Use of County-Owned Machinery – Mr. Lightfoot moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and Mr. Burke, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

C. Modifying the 2025 Budget for the Department of Highways for Equipment – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Webster, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

D. Modifying the 2024 Budget for the Department of Highways for Machinery Rental, Equipment Repair and Maintenance, and Overtime – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and Mr. Webster, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

7. WIOA - PAMELA LEWIS

A. Establishing the Budget for the New York State Department of Labor (NYS DOL) Office of Just Energy Transition (OJET) Renewable Energy Training Initiative (RETI) Program Year 2024 – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

8. AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) UPDATE -

Ms. Doyle provided an update on American Rescue Plan Act Funds.

9. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT – RUTH DOYLE

A. Authorizing the Chair to Sign Contracts – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Denesha, Ms. Curran, and Mr. Webster, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

B. Adoption of the Rules of Procedure – Mr. Lightfoot moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

C. Newspaper Designation – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and Mr. Reagen, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

B. Fish and Wildlife Management Board, Region 6 (Sheridan) – Mr. Sheridan

C. Fisheries Advisory Board (Terminelli) – No report

D. Gouverneur Fair Board (Smithers) – No report

E. Highway/Solid Waste Committee (Smithers) – No report

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

G. Recreational and Trails Advisory Board (Perkins/Webster) – No report

H. St. Lawrence River Valley Redevelopment Agency (RVRDA) (Forsythe) – No report

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

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

11. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

A. Proclaiming the Year 2025 as the Centennial Year of the New York State Association of Counties and extending congratulations and gratitude to NYSAC for 100 years of exemplary service and leadership – Ms. Curran moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Denesha, and Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

B. Modifying the 2024 Budget for Social Services for SNAP, Temporary Assistance/Safety Net, Emergency Assistance for Adults, Foster Care/Adoption and Training – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Ms. Curran.
Mr. Reagen moved to amend the agenda to the budget modification and second by Mr. Fay. Motion carried by twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

C. Authorizing the Treasurer to Modify the 2024 Budget for the Planning Office for Public

Transportation – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

D. Authorizing the Chair to Sign a Contract with ProAct to Provide Administrative Services for SLC EGWP Prescription Benefits – Mr. Burke moved to forward this resolution to Full Board, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and Ms. Curran, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

Ms. Curran moved to go to Executive Session at 6:29pm to discuss litigation, negotiations, personnel, and appointments, seconded by Mr. Smithers, and Mr. Fay, Mr. Smithers, and Mr. Fay.

12. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Smithers moved to go to Open Session at 7:08p.m., seconded by Mr. Fay, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, and three (3) absent votes (Gennett, Hull, and Perkins).

13. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Forsythe moved to adjourn the Finance Committee Meeting at 7:09 p.m., as there was no further business.