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St. Lawrence County                      Public Hearing
Board of Legislators                    Monday, March 1, 2010
Board Room                                6:50 P.M.

Chair Paquin called the Public Hearing to order at 6:53 p.m.

The Deputy Clerk read the call to the Public Hearing:

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** by the Chair of the Board of Legislators that the Chair and the 
members of the Board of Legislators of the County of St. Lawrence will meet at the Board of 
Legislators’ Chambers, Court House, 48 Court Street, Canton, New York, at 6:50 p.m., before 
the regular Board of Legislators meeting on Monday, March 1, 2010, for the purpose of 
conducting a public hearing on a proposed local law:

**PROPOSED LOCAL LAW A (NO. __) FOR THE YEAR 2010, SENIOR CITIZEN 
EXEMPTIONS AMENDING LOCAL LAW 1 FOR THE YEAR 1995 
AND LOCAL LAW 1 FOR YEAR 2004**

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

**Section 1.** In accordance with the provisions of Section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law of 
the State of New York, real property owned by one or more persons, each of 
whom is 65 years of age or over, or real property owned by husband and wife, one 
of whom is 65 years of age or over, shall be exempt from county taxation to the 
extent of 50% of the assessed valuation as long as the income of the owner or 
combined income of the owners does not exceed $12,000.

**Section 2.** Where the income of the owner or combined income of the owners exceed 
$12,000, the exemption shall be calculated at the percentage provided for in 
section 467(1)(b)(1).

**Section 3.** This local law shall take effect upon its being duly filed with the State of New 
York according to the Municipal Home Rule Law.

**COMMENTS:** There were no comments.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Chair Paquin adjourned the Public Hearing at 6:55 p.m.

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St. Lawrence County                      Regular Board Meeting
Board of Legislators                    Monday, March 1, 2010
Board Room                                Immediately following Public Hearing

Chair Paquin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** All Legislators were present with the exception of Mr. Grow, who was excused.

Mr. Burns led everyone in prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Ms. Brothers moved to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Peck, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Morrill moved to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2010 meeting, seconded by Ms. Brothers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

COMMUNICATIONS: The Deputy Clerk read the following communications:

1. Resolutions were received from the Massena Town Board opposing an increase of Sales Tax and of Mortgage Tax.

2. A resolution was received from the Chenango County Board of Supervisors requesting that each county support legislation amending County Law, Section 215.

3. A resolution was received from the Canton Town Board opposing a change to the mortgage tax percentage.

4. A letter was received from Majority Leader Ron Canestrari acknowledging receipt of Resolution No. 62-2010.

5. A letter was received from Governor Paterson acknowledging receipt of Resolution Nos. 59-2010, 62-2010, and 63-2010.

6. A letter was received from Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb regarding receipt of Resolution No. 62-2010 and it has been forwarded to his legal staff for review.

7. A thank you letter was received from Fort La Presentation regarding the support provided for advertising and preliminary costs for the Commemoration of the French and Indian War.

8. A resolution was received from the Development Authority of the North Country entitled “Determining the Completion of the Northern Tier Expressway Corridor Study and Discontinuing the Study Advisory Group”.

9. A letter was received from the Board of Directors of the Adirondack Railway Preservation Society who, along with their soon-to-be 1,000,000 riders, thank you for your past, present, and future support.

10. A letter was received from the St. Lawrence County Historical Association thanking you for your continued financial support of St. Lawrence County history.

11. A letter was received from the St. Lawrence County Council of Senior Citizens, Inc. supporting the proposal to reorganize the Office for the Aging.

12. A resolution was received from Franklin County Legislature urging Governor Paterson to reconsider closing the Lyon Mounting Correctional Facility in Clinton County, the Moriah
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Shock Incarceration in Essex County, and the Ogdensburg Correctional Facility in St. Lawrence County.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Mr. Jason Clark, Director of the Business Development Corporation for a Greater Massena and Chairman of the Northern Corridor Transportation Group, stood and addressed the Board. He spoke of the resolution passed by the Development Authority of the North Country, as mentioned in Communications, and thanked Mr. Turbett for bringing that forward. He said he has received over two hundred resolutions supporting the effort to build a four-lane highway connecting Interstate 87 in Plattsburgh and Interstate 81 in Watertown. He thanked Chair Paquin for agreeing to send a letter to bring folks together to discuss this project and thanked Mr. Burns for his role as a member, noting that he represented his position well. He thanked Mr. MacKinnon for being the Fort Drum liaison. He said there are seven municipalities – the villages of Edwards, Gouverneur, and Richville and the towns of Hammond, Fowler, Pitcairn, and Rossie – who have not pledged their support for the concept and asked the Legislators representing those areas to encourage their support. He offered to answer any questions. Mr. Burns thanked Mr. Clark for his work on this and asked where the resolutions are coming from. Mr. Clark said the bulk are from the surrounding counties but he has some from Essex and Warren Counties and a verbal agreement to send one was received from the Town of Hamilton. Mr. Burns asked if Mr. Clark would give a brief overview of what this could mean in terms of value to the North Country. Mr. Clark said the project could create up to 27,000 jobs and bring more business to the Port of Ogdensburg. He said we look at our ability to produce green energy, whether it is pellets, switch-grass, or wind, and one of the greatest challenges we have is getting those components in and out of the County. He said the highway offers a great deal of potential for future generations down the line. Mr. Morrill asked Mr. Clark to send him a sample copy of a resolution, as he will be meeting with his towns. Mr. MacKinnon requested the same.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS:

Services Committee: 2-16-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 67-2010

MODIFYING THE 2010 SOCIAL SERVICES BUDGET FOR THE HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

By Ms. Brothers, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services provides the Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), and

WHEREAS, a payment issued under this program is designated as a “direct payment” if the payment is issued to a client, and an “indirect payment” if the payment is issued to a vendor on the client’s behalf, and

WHEREAS, beginning in the 2007-2008 HEAP season the Department of Social Services no longer incurred the cost for indirect payments for this program as they were issued directly from New York State to the vendors, and the Budget was adjusted accordingly, and
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WHEREAS, a vendor issuing a refund of an indirect payment received is required to pay the Department of Social Services who then returns the funds to New York State resulting in a negative expense on an appropriation line and a negative income for the funds returned, and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Budget was prepared with the estimated negative amounts for the indirect payment line items, and

WHEREAS, the following adjustments have no impact on the 2010 Budget as there is no county cost for this Program, but they are necessary to correct the situation and open the accounts for input,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2010 Social Services Budget as follows:

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Ms. Brothers moved to adopt Resolution No. 67-2010, seconded by Mr. Peck, and carried by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Services Committee: 2-16-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 68-2010

MODIFYING THE 2009 SOCIAL SERVICES BUDGET TO ACCOMMODATE AN INCREASE IN REVENUE AND APPROPRIATIONS

By Ms. Brothers, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, due to higher than anticipated costs in some accounts and higher than anticipated revenues in some accounts, it is necessary to modify the 2009 Social Services Budget,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2009 Social Services Budget as follows:
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Ms. Brothers moved to adopt Resolution No. 68-2010, seconded by Mr. Turbett, and carried by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Services Committee: 2-16-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 69-2010

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO ACCEPT THE FUNDS FOR THE SAFETY NET ASSISTANCE PROJECT AND MODIFYING THE 2010 SOCIAL SERVICES BUDGET

By Ms. Brothers, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services applied for and was awarded $45,000 by the New York State Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance to run a Safety Net Assistance Project (SNAP) with the Massena Independent Living Center, Inc. using the Personalized Employment Pathways program, and

WHEREAS, the Personalized Employment Pathways Program is intended to 1) provide pre-employment skills, 2) prepare individuals for work, and 3) promote attainment of employment, and retention and advancement in employment, specifically for Safety Net recipients who have been identified as being work limited and/or as experiencing a disability, and

WHEREAS, the approved program will provide six-week long classes in four areas of the County (Canton/Potsdam, Massena, Gouverneur, and Ogdensburg) to help participating individuals create plans for short term as well as long term employment goals, and

WHEREAS, the Massena Independent Living Center desires to be the provider of the Personalized Employment Pathways Program, and

WHEREAS, the award must be used in the 2010 calendar year,
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to accept these funds and sign a contract with the Massena Independent Living Center for these services, upon approval of the County Attorney, and the Treasurer to modify the 2010 Social Services Budget as follows:

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Ms. Brothers moved to adopt Resolution No. 69-2010, seconded by Ms. Cobb, and carried by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Services Committee: 2-16-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 70-2010

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO ACCEPT THE FUNDS FOR THE TRANSITIONAL JOBS PROGRAM AND MODIFYING THE 2010 SOCIAL SERVICES BUDGET

By Ms. Brothers, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services applied for and was awarded $125,307 to run a Transitional Jobs Program, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services will provide subsidized education and training program for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) eligible individuals using the Transitional Jobs Program, and

WHEREAS, the approved Program will provide subsidized training not to exceed 17 weeks and must provide an hourly rate of at least $8.00 per hour for up to 28 hours per week of paid employment and at least seven (7) hours per week of paid education, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services will directly run the Program through September 30, 2010 or until these funds are exhausted, whichever comes first, and

WHEREAS, the portion of the award used in 2009 was $764 and the remainder will be added to the 2010 Budget,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to accept these funds and the Treasurer to modify the 2010 Social Services Budget as follows:
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INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

01-DA-6010-461-00-E-TJP  D Transitional Jobs Program Wages $124,543

INCREASE REVENUE:

01-DA-4610-570-00-E-TJP  D FA Transitional Jobs Program Revenue $124,543

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Ms. Brothers moved to adopt Resolution No. 70-2010, seconded by Mr. House and Ms. Cobb, and carried by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Services Committee: 2-16-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 71-2010

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AMENDED YOUTH ADVOCATE PROGRAM CONTRACT FOR YOUTH EMPOWERMENT AND PREVENTION/REUNIFICATION SERVICES FOR 2010

By Ms. Brothers, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, there is a waiting list of 20 to 25 families for Youth Advocate Program (YAP) services, and

WHEREAS, there was money in Flexible Fund for Family Services (FFFS) to roll over for 2010, and

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services is able to modify the YAP Preventive Education Program to include more slots for Persons in Need of Supervision (PINS) and Juvenile Delinquents (JDs), and

WHEREAS, there is no cost to the Department of Social Services to modify this contract,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an amended contract with YAP for the Preventive Education Program, upon approval of the County Attorney, and the Treasurer to modify the 2010 Social Services Budget as follows:

INCREASE REVENUE:

01-DA-6010-430-07-G-PINS  D PINS YAP Program Expense $210,000

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

01-DA-4615-570-00-G-PINS  D FA FFFS Detention Prev Div $210,000
March 1, 2010

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Ms. Brothers moved to adopt Resolution No. 71-2010, seconded by Ms. Cobb, and carried by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Services Committee: 2-16-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 72-2010

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF HOPKINTON FOR LOCAL HEALTH OFFICER PROJECT

By Ms. Brothers, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the Town of Hopkinton has requested that the St. Lawrence County Public Health Department act as the Local Health Officer for the Town of Hopkinton, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Hopkinton will appoint the Public Health Director as the Local Health Officer for the Town for the period of March 1, 2010 through December 31, 2013 and will present facts and recommendations to the Town’s Board of Health for its enforcement, and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Director, or his/her designee, will investigate complaints of public health nuisances arising within the town, and will present facts and recommendations to the Town’s Board of Health for its enforcement, and

WHEREAS, the Town Board of Health consists of the Town Board, and

WHEREAS, the Local Health Officer is Chief Executive Officer of the Town Board of Health, and

WHEREAS, the payment of costs to abate a public health nuisance when necessary shall be a town cost,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a written agreement prepared by the County Attorney delineating the specifics as indicated above.

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Ms. Brothers moved to adopt Resolution No. 72-2010, seconded by Ms. Perry, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent.
RESOLUTION NO. 73-2010

AUTHORIZING A REORGANIZATION OF THE OFFICE FOR THE AGING AND THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT

By Ms. Brothers, Chair, Services Committee
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Morrill, District 6

WHEREAS, to further enhance program design and efficiency, and to reduce costs, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators endorses incorporating the transportation program under the auspices of the Office for the Aging, and

WHEREAS, this reorganization will create an immediate annual savings in salaries of $14,943 based on our current salary schedules and provide an opportunity to identify long-term savings through a review of the programs and services offered by the Office for the Aging, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the following positions be abolished and created in the 2010 Budget:

ABOLISH:

01-N2-5630-130-00-0 Transportation Coordinator Grade 29
01-OA-6772-110-00-0 Office for the Aging Programs Coordinator Grade 23

CREATE:

01-OA-6772-120-00-0 Deputy Director of Office for the Aging FR/Band II
01-OA-6772-110-00-0 Senior Advocate Worker Grade 15

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Nancy Robert be appointed Director of the Office for the Aging effective March 2, 2010 at a salary of $52,338, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Barbara McBurnie be appointed Deputy Director of the Office for the Aging effective March 2, 2010 at a salary of $48,589, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that permission to fill the Senior Advocate Worker position is not granted at this time and that all other options for completing the tasks associated with this position be explored before the position is brought forward utilizing the current Vacancy Authorization process, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign any necessary addendums to the Annual Implementation Plan submitted to the New York State Office for the Aging and any other paperwork necessary to meet the intent of this resolution, upon approval of the County Attorney, and authorizes the Treasurer to make all necessary budget modifications to transfer the Transportation Program Budget from the Planning Department Budget to the Office for the Aging Budget.
Mr. Morrill moved to adopt Resolution No. 73-2010, seconded by Mr. Peck, Mr. Lightfoot, Mr. House, and Ms. Brothers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Operations Committee: 2-16-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 74-2010

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A NEW SECURITY CONTRACT (C200409) BETWEEN THE UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM AND ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY

By Mr. Turbett, Chair, Operations Committee

WHEREAS, for several years St. Lawrence County has maintained a contract with the Unified Court System for security of the courts, and

WHEREAS, a new five-year contract (C200409) is being proposed by the Unified Court System, and

WHEREAS, for the initial year the maximum compensation for those services is $101,000 (01-S7-3330-560-00-0), and

WHEREAS, the initial coverage period is April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2010,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a renewal contract with the Unified Court System, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. Turbett moved to adopt Resolution No. 74-2010, seconded by Ms. Brothers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Finance Committee: 2-22-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 75-2010

APPORTIONMENT OF SURPLUS

By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, a report pursuant to Section 111, Article 7, of the Agriculture and Markets Law has been presented to the Board of Legislators from the Treasurer’s Office, and

WHEREAS, such report lists the surplus funds due to towns pursuant to dog licensing fee procedures,
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators hereby approves the apportionment of the surplus according to the report of the County Treasurer dated January 22, 2010, as follows:

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Mr. FitzRandolph moved to adopt Resolution No. 75-2010, seconded by Mr. Turbett and Mr. Morrill, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).
RESOLUTION NO. 76-2010

MODIFYING THE 2010 REAL PROPERTY BUDGET FOR THE PURCHASE OF PICTOMETRY SOFTWARE FOR EIGHTEEN TOWNS

By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, eighteen towns have chosen to increase the amount they are charged back by $300 each to purchase Pictometry software for use at the town level, and

WHEREAS, these charges were added to the town chargebacks by Resolution No. 383-2009 and will be credited to the 2010 Real Property Office Budget, and

WHEREAS, the 2010 Real Property Budget needs to be modified to recognize the additional revenue and the expense for acquiring this software,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2010 Real Property Budget as follows:

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

01-R1-1355-420-04-0 Computer Software $5,400

INCREASE REVENUE:

01-R1-2210-550-00-0 Tax Assessment Services to Other Governments $5,400

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Mr. FitzRandolph moved to adopt Resolution No. 76-2010, seconded by Mr. Morrill and Ms. Brothers, and carried by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

RESOLUTION NO. 77-2010

RETAINING THE FIRM OF WHITTEMORE, DOWEN & RICCIARDELLI TO PREPARE THE ANNUAL SINGLE AUDIT FOR ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY FOR THE FISCAL YEARS 2009, 2010 & 2011

By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposals (RFP) was issued to retain services for the preparation of the St. Lawrence County Annual Single Audit, and
WHEREAS, there were three proposals received, a summary of which is attached to this resolution, and

WHEREAS, after review of all proposals the Treasurer recommends retaining the firm of Whittemore, Dowen & Ricciardelli,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign a contract with Whittemore, Dowen & Ricciardelli to prepare the Annual Single Audit for St. Lawrence County for the following fiscal years at the stated cost for each year: $55,150 for year 2009, $57,420 for year 2010, and $59,760 for year 2011 (01-BL-1010-430-07-0), upon approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. FitzRandolph moved to adopt Resolution No. 77-2010, seconded by Mr. Turbett and Ms. Brothers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Finance Committee: 2-22-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 78-2010


By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, a request for proposals (RFP) was issued to retain services for the preparation of the St. Lawrence County Annual Indirect Cost Allocation Report, and

WHEREAS, there were three proposals received, a summary of which is attached to this resolution, and

WHEREAS, the County Treasurer recommends retaining the firm of Venesky & Co., (which is currently preparing the County’s Indirect Cost Allocation Report),

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Chair of the Board of Legislators is authorized to sign a contract with Venesky & Co. to prepare the Indirect Cost Allocation Report for St. Lawrence County for years 2010, 2011, and 2012 at a cost of $14,000 each year (01-BL-1010-430-07-0), upon approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. FitzRandolph moved to adopt Resolution No. 78-2010, seconded by Mr. House and Mr. Morrill. Mr. Forsythe said he spoke about this during the Committee meeting. He said he respects the Treasurer 100% but this was not the lowest bid. He said he spoke with each of the other two firms who submitted bids and both thought they could provide the same service for the
price they bid and as such will not be supporting this resolution. Mr. Morrill said Mr. Venesky has proven time and again that he will save the County money and it would be stepping over millions to save thousands if the service went to another firm. He said he supports this resolution. Resolution No. 78-2010 was adopted by a voice vote with thirteen (13) yes votes, one (1) no vote (Forsythe), and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Finance Committee: 2-22-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 79-2010

APPROVING STANDARD FEDERAL AID HIGHWAY AND MARCHISELLI AID PROJECT SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT NO. 4 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF COUNTY ROUTE 39 BRIDGE OVER GRASSE RIVER, BIN 3341230, PIN 775247 FOR DESIGN, RIGHT-OF-WAY INCIDENTALS & ACQUISITION, CONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION

By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee

AUTHORIZING THE IMPLEMENTATION, AND FUNDING IN THE FIRST INSTANCE 100% OF THE FEDERAL AID-ELIGIBLE COSTS, OF A TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL-AID PROJECT, TO FULLY FUND THE LOCAL SHARE OF FEDERAL-AID ELIGIBLE AND INELIGIBLE PROJECT COSTS, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFORE

WHEREAS, a project for the Replacement of County Route 39 Bridge over the Grasse River, BIN 3341230, PIN 775247 (the “Project”) is eligible for funding under Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs such program to be borne at the ratio of 80% federal funds and 20% non-federal funds, and

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators desires to advance the above project by making a commitment of 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the costs of the design, right-of-way incidentals & acquisition, construction and construction inspection,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators, duly convened does hereby approve the above-subject, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators hereby authorizes the County Treasurer, with County Attorney approval, to pay in the first instance 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the cost of Design, Right-of-Way Incidents & Acquisition, Construction and Construction Inspection work for the Project of portions thereof, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event the full federal and non-federal share costs of the project exceeds the amount appropriated above, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators shall convene as soon as possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the New York State Department of Transportation thereof, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to
sign all necessary Agreements, certifications or reimbursement requests for available Federal and State aid on behalf of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators with the New York State Department of Transportation in connection with the advancement or approval of the Project and providing for the administration of the Project and the municipality’s first instance funding of Project costs and permanent funding of the local share of federal-aid eligible projects costs and all project costs with appropriations therefore that are not so eligible, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the New York State Commissioner of Transportation by attaching it to any necessary Agreement in connection with the Project, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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Mr. FitzRandolph moved to adopt Resolution No. 79-2010, seconded by Mr. Girard, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Finance Committee: 2-22-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 80-2010

RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR AND THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK TO CREATE A STATE AID TO LOCAL BRIDGE PROGRAMS TO INCREASE BRIDGE SAFETY AND FURTHER STIMULATE THE STATE’S ECONOMY

By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, local governments are responsible for an increasing proportion of the statewide highway and bridge system; 85 percent of the State’s 110,000 miles of roadways, and 50 percent of the State’s 18,000 bridges, and

WHEREAS, a safe and efficient highway infrastructure is necessary for trade, economic development and revitalization, our schools, businesses, health and hospital facilities, emergency responders, as well as the general traveling public and traveling tourists visiting New York State, and

WHEREAS, roughly one-third of the 8,535 bridges maintained by New York’s local governments are structurally deficient or functionally obsolete. As an indication of a dangerous trend, this number actually increased between 2002 and 2007, from 2,966 to 3,006 bridges. NYSDOT indicates that the number of deficient bridges will increase by another 1,500 in the next few years, and

WHEREAS, the Comptroller’s August 2009 report entitled “Cracks in the Foundation: Local Government Infrastructure and Capital Planning Needs” identified that New York will need to invest $175.2 billion for transportation infrastructure needs over the next 20 years, and

WHEREAS, the DOT proposed Five-Year Capital Plan for transportation released in
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December proposes the establishment of a $150 million State Aid to Local Bridge Program and $150 million for Local Touring Route Investments but these initiatives are not included in the Executive Budget, and

WHEREAS, highway, bridge and culvert construction and maintenance projects are vital to extending the life of local bridge inventory and maintaining the system in a safe and structurally sound condition, so any bridge program must also include funds for culverts as well, and

WHEREAS, the State Aid to Local Bridge Program is a proven method of funding improvements to local bridge infrastructure in a way that will help further stimulate the economy of the State and help secure the safety of the traveling public,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators urges the New York State Governor and the Legislature to establish a new State Aid funding stream in the amount of $300 million to Local Bridge Programs and other local transportation investments in accordance with the DOT proposed Five-Year Capital Plan to insure the safety of the local transportation system, improve the State’s economy and improve the livelihoods of the millions of citizens who rely on local roads every day, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to Governor David Paterson, Senator Joseph Griffo, Senator Darrel Aubertine, Assemblyperson Dierdre Scozzafava, and Assemblyperson Addie Russell.

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Mr. FitzRandolph moved to adopt Resolution No. 80-2010, seconded by Mr. Morrill, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Finance Committee: 2-22-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 81-2010

RESOLUTION URGING INVESTMENT IN THE STATE’S CONSOLIDATED HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CHIPS)

By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the State’s Consolidated Highway Improvement Program (CHIPS) funds are vital to county highway departments in order to maintain and upgrade important components of the local transportation system, and purchase necessary highway equipment and materials, and

WHEREAS, the Marchiselli Program is the State component of a successful Federal, State, and Local partnership, delivering transportation improvements to federally-aidable local highway projects, and

WHEREAS, local governments are responsible for an increasing proportion of the statewide highway and bridge system; eighty-five percent of the State’s 110,000 miles of
roadways, and fifty percent of the State’s 18,000 bridges, and

WHEREAS, a safe and efficient highway infrastructure is necessary for trade, economic development and revitalization, job creation and retention, schools, businesses, health and hospital facilities, emergency responders, as well as the general traveling public, and

WHEREAS, the current budget appropriation for CHIPS and Marchiselli represents the last year of the Five Year Capital Plan, and

WHEREAS, the DOT has proposed a new Five-Year Capital plan that calls for a level of CHIPS ($420 million) and Marchiselli ($56 million) to simply maintain the current condition of our local transportation system far in excess of what is being proposed in the Executive Budget ($363 million, $39 million), and

WHEREAS, highway capital expenditures by local governments outside of NYC are in excess of $1.12 billion annually, yet an additional $1.2 billion is required annually in local pavement and bridge investment to reverse the deterioration process, and

WHEREAS, the level of CHIPS and Marchiselli funding scheduled for this fiscal year and in the proposed future Five-Year Capital Plan falls well short of what will be needed to simply maintain the current condition of our local transportation system, and

WHEREAS, in an audit entitled, “The Dedicated Highway and Bridge Trust Fund: Where Did the Money Go?” Comptroller DiNapoli reveals that since 1991 just 34.9 percent of the money in the state’s DHBTF went directly toward the repair and improvement of the State’s deteriorating roads and bridges,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators urges the Governor and the Legislature of the State of New York to recognize the unfunded need of over $1.2 billion annually; to insure that the CHIPS and Marchiselli programs are funded at least at the level proposed by the 5 Year Capital Plan; and to reform the DHBTF so that the bulk of the state revenues dedicated to the highway and bridge fund are used primarily for capital projects and insure the safety of the traveling public, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to Governor David Paterson, Senator Joseph Griffo, Senator Darrel Aubertine, Assemblywoman Dierdre Scozzafava and Assemblywoman Addie Russell.
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RESOLUTION NO. 82-2010

AUTHORIZATION TO CREATE AND FILL A TEMPORARY PRINCIPAL FISCAL OFFICER POSITION FOR THE SHERIFF’S OFFICE AND THE EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, Position No. 1003-003, Principal Account Clerk, was created in the 2010 Budget to maintain the account functions for the Sheriff’s Office and the Emergency Services Department, and

WHEREAS, this position has been split and budgeted with seventy percent (70%) paid by the Sheriff’s Office and thirty percent (30%) paid by Emergency Services, and

WHEREAS, in the continued effort to streamline county government and to create a more efficient workplace, the accounting functions for those departments as well as the deputy audit review function for the Board of Legislators would be combined under a temporary new position with the title Principal Fiscal Officer, and

WHEREAS, the temporary creation of a Principal Fiscal Officer could take place instead of filling vacant Board of Legislators’ Position No. 1002-010 and previously mentioned new Position No. 1003-003, and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the Principal Fiscal Officer Position be reviewed after six months to determine if it should be made permanent and to confirm the accuracy of the workload split between the departments which would provide data for budgetary planning purposes, and

WHEREAS, the Principal Fiscal Office Position would be filled by an employee who will leave their current position in another department to assume the duties of this position, and

WHEREAS, the position being vacated will also be filled on a temporary basis and the resulting vacancy will remain vacant until the review has concluded and support will be provided by other departments to maintain the workload in that department,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the temporary creation and filling of a Principal Fiscal Officer, with the understanding that the following Position Nos. 1002-010, 1003-003, and 1002-026 will be left vacant until the completion of a review after six months.

CREATE:

01-X2-3640-140-00-0 Principal Fiscal Officer Grade 27
01-S1-3110-140-00-0 (Temporary)
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Mr. FitzRandolph moved to adopt Resolution No. 82-2010, seconded by Mr. Morrill. Mr. MacKinnon said he opposed this resolution in Committee and will continue to oppose it tonight. Resolution No. 82-2010 was adopted by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes, three (3) no votes (Forsythe, MacKinnon, and Turbett), and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Finance Committee: 2-22-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 83-2010

ADOPTING PROPOSED LOCAL LAW A (NO. __) FOR THE YEAR 2010, SENIOR CITIZEN EXEMPTIONS AMENDING LOCAL LAW 1 FOR YEAR 1995 AND LOCAL LAW 1 FOR YEAR 2004

By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Grow, District 13

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

Section 1. In accordance with the provisions of Section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law of the State of New York, real property owned by one or more persons, each of whom is 65 years of age or over, or real property owned by husband and wife, one of whom is 65 years of age or over, shall be exempt from county taxation to the extent of 50% of the assessed valuation as long as the income of the owner or combined income of the owners does not exceed $12,000.

Section 2. Where the income of the owner or combined income of the owners exceed $12,000, the exemption shall be calculated at the percentage provided for in section 467(1)(b)(1).

Section 3. This local law shall take effect upon its being duly filed with the State of New York according to the Municipal Home Rule Law.

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Mr. FitzRandolph moved to adopt Resolution No. 83-2010, seconded by Ms. Brothers, Mr. Burns, and Mr. Morrill, and carried by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).
RESOLUTION NO. 84-2010

AUTHORIZATION TO FILL TWO PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER VACANCIES IN THE SHERIFF’S OFFICE

By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008 on August 4, 2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, excluding all revenue generating and essential positions, and

WHEREAS, due to the resignation of two Part-Time Corrections Officers there are two vacancies available, vacated January 6, 2010 and January 10, 2010, and

WHEREAS, Position No. 6030-064, Part-Time Corrections Officer, and Position No. 6030-065, Part-Time Corrections Officer have been vacant for at least thirty (30) days and are important to meet minimum staffing requirements,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Sheriff to fill Position No. 6030-064 and Position No. 6030-065, Part-Time Corrections Officers, no earlier than thirty (30) days from the date vacated.

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Mr. FitzRandolph moved to adopt Resolution No. 84-2010, seconded by Mr. Forsythe and Mr. Morrill, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

RESOLUTION NO. 85-2010

AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A PART-TIME DISPATCHER VACANCY IN THE EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008 on August 4, 2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, excluding all revenue generating and essential positions, and

WHEREAS, due to the promotion of a Part-Time Dispatcher to a Full-Time Position there is a vacancy available, vacated on December 26, 2009 and

WHEREAS, Position No. 6121-015, Part-Time Dispatcher has been vacant for at least thirty (30) days and is utilized for coverage when full-time employees are unavailable,
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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Emergency Services Director to fill Position No. 6121-015, Part-Time Dispatcher, no earlier than thirty (30) days from the date vacated.

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Mr. FitzRandolph moved to adopt Resolution No. 85-2010, seconded by Mr. Peck and Ms. Brothers, and carried by a voice vote with twelve (12) yes votes, two (2) no votes (Burns and Forsythe), and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Finance Committee: 2-22-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 86-2010

PERMISSION TO EXTEND A TEMPORARY POSITION WITHIN MEDICAL SERVICES AT THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the Department of Social Services has a Social Welfare Examiner position that was vacated on July 6, 2009 when an employee went out on medical leave, and

WHEREAS, to effectively assist customers in a timely and efficient manner, the Board authorized filling the vacant position of Social Welfare Examiner on a temporary basis by Resolution No. 288-2009 on September 14, 2009, and

WHEREAS, the employee who went off work on medical leave has been on leave without pay since November 7, 2009 and is not expected to return to work, and

WHEREAS, the temporary position was authorized to be filled for up to six (6) months, unless the employee returned to work before the six (6) month period ended, and

WHEREAS, the six (6) month period will end March 21, 2010, and

WHEREAS, the position of temporary Social Welfare Examiner continues to be needed to effectively assist customers in a timely and efficient manner, and

WHEREAS, there will be no impact on the local cost due to the Medicaid Cap,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the temporary Social Welfare Examiner position be extended for up to an additional six (6) months, unless the employee returns to work before the extended six (6) month period has ended.

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Mr. FitzRandolph moved to adopt Resolution No. 86-2010, seconded by Ms. Cobb and Ms. Brothers, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).
Finance Committee: 2-22-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 87-2010

OPPOSING THE GOVERNOR’S PROPOSAL TO “RAID” THE SNOWMOBILE TRAIL DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE FUND

By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Burns, District 1; Mr. Forsythe, District 2; Mr. Morrill, District 6; Mr. Peck, District 5; and Ms. Perry, District 7

WHEREAS, there are over 121,000 registered snowmobiles registered in New York State; the registration fee for each snowmobile is $45 for members of a New York State Snowmobile Association (NYSSA) club and $100 for non-members, and

WHEREAS, the original intent of these fees was to be utilized for trail maintenance and development, which in turn boosts the County economy as Snowmobiling attracts many visitors who stay in our hotels, eat at our restaurants, shop in our stores, and buy our gas, and

WHEREAS, in 2008, the Governor made a promise to use this fund solely for promoting and improving snowmobiling in New York State, and

WHEREAS, in his recent Budget Proposal, Governor Paterson directed a $1,000,000 sweep from the Snowmobile Trail Development and Maintenance Fund into the State’s General Fund, along with an additional plan to change the Fund’s scope and purpose, and

WHEREAS, according to the Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, the snowmobile industry contributes more than $875,000,000 to the State economy each year and New York has more than 11,000 miles of groomed trails for snowmobile use which are maintained by 237 local clubs through the Snowmobile Fund, and

WHEREAS, if the Governor’s proposal is approved it would allow the Division of Budget to access thirty percent (30%) of the remaining Fund’s balance and expand its purpose from exclusively maintaining and developing snowmobile trails, to support any other “recreational” activity on State land, including funds to be used for maintenance or development of hiking trails, tennis courts, snowplowing equipment, road re-pavement, or any State park facility used to supplement recreational activity,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators opposes the Governor’s proposal to “raid” the Snowmobile Trail Development and Maintenance Fund and respectfully urges the State Legislature to amend the proposed Executive Budget to prohibit utilization of the dedicated Snowmobile Trail Development and Maintenance Fund for any purpose other than its created intent to reimburse snowmobile clubs for trail maintenance, and to support snowmobile trail development and maintenance activities conducted by the Office of Parks Recreation and Historic Preservation and the Department of Environmental Conservation, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to New
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York State Governor Paterson; New York Senators Joseph Griffo, Elizabeth Little, and Darrel Aubertine; and New York State Assemblywomen Dierdre Scozzafava and Addie Russell.

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Mr. Forsythe moved to adopt Resolution No. 87-2010, seconded by Mr. Peck, Mr. MacKinnon, and Mr. Burns. Mr. Forsythe said, as he mentioned in Committee, he is not a snowmobiler but he realizes the importance of this and the impact it will have on the region. He said this is another example of the fact that the Governor doesn’t get it and supports it 100%. Mr. Morrill said the snowmobile industry is big in southern St. Lawrence County and you see hundreds of people on the trails. He said it is important that these funds be used for trail development. Mr. Peck said the snowmobiles are a major income source for the businesses in the southern part of the County and last weekend waited about two hours to get into a restaurant in Cranberry Lake because there were at least five hundred sleds taking advantage of the trails. He said to rob that fund and put the money into the General Fund is insane and he is definitely supporting this resolution. Mr. MacKinnon said this calls attention to the amount of recreational activity that the people in the County are involved in and is more than a significant amount of economic activity. Resolution No. 87-2010 was adopted by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Finance Committee: 2-22-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 88-2010

SUPPORTING THE LOAN APPLICATION MADE BY THE D’ARCINOIFF GROUP TO THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES

By FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Girard, District 15; Mr. Grow, District, 13; and Mr. Paquin, District 14

WHEREAS, the D’Arcinoff Group has created a proposal to build wind turbines using existing, idled auto manufacturing centers, and

WHEREAS, the D’Arcinoff Group has expressed tremendous interest in the General Motors (GM) Facility in Massena, NY, as well as, other GM Facilities in New York State, and

WHEREAS, this manufacturing center could create two thousand jobs in the “green-manufacturing arena,” and

WHEREAS, President Obama has stated a strong administrative goal for job creation in “green-manufacturing,” and

WHEREAS, the D’Arcinoff Group has applied for a loan through the Export-Import Bank of the United States in order to quickly initiate production and job creation, and

WHEREAS, the idled GM Facilities are now under Federal Government control, and

WHEREAS, the Export-Import Bank of the United States was created by Executive
Order with a mission statement to enable, “U.S. companies — large and small — to turn export opportunities into real sales that help to maintain and create U.S. jobs and contribute to a stronger national economy,”

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators supports the D’Arcinoff Group loan application before the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a letter of support signed by the Chair, with this resolution attached, be sent to the Export-Import Bank of the United States, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to New York State Governor David Paterson, United States Senators Charles Schumer and Kirsten Gillibrand, Congressman William Owens, New York State Senators Joseph Griffo and Darrel Aubertine, and New York State Assemblywomen Addie Russell and Dede Scozzafava.

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Mr. Girard moved to adopt Resolution No. 88-2010, seconded by Mr. House and Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Finance Committee: 2-22-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 89-2010

URGING MOTORS LIQUIDATION COMPANY TO CONSIDER USE LOCAL CONTRACTORS AND LABOR TO ASSIST IN THE DEMOLITION OF A FORMER GENERAL MOTORS FACILITY

By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Burns, District 1

WHEREAS, Motors Liquidation Company has indicated the possibility of demolition of the Massena, New York location of the former General Motors (GM) Facility, and

WHEREAS, it would be in the best interest of St. Lawrence County to have local contractors and local labor workforce do the demolition creating much needed jobs,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Legislators strongly urges Motors Liquidation Company hire local contractors and local labor to assist in the demolition of the former GM Facility located at Route 37 East, Massena, New York, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Motors Liquidation Company via Pam Barnett, BOW Environmental Solutions, 3400 Deleese Parkway, Dayton, OH 45414.

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Mr. Burns moved to adopt Resolution No. 89-2010, seconded by Mr. Forsythe and Ms. Brothers.
Mr. Burns said if Motors Liquidation Company decides to tear down this building, we know the long term effect it will have on the County. Therefore, at the very least the Company should consider hiring local laborers so we can get something out of it in the short term. Mr. MacKinnon asked how long the building has been there. Mr. Turbett answered the questioned and said since the 1950’s and 60’s. He said some soil samples have been taken and deposits leaking into the tunnel indicate pollution. Mr. MacKinnon asked if there is a way to tell how bad the pollution is. Mr. Turbett said not conclusively but there is significant pollution. Mr. MacKinnon said it would be a shame to tear it down and find no pollution. Mr. Turbett said the EPA has said if there were a business that wanted to go in there, it could be managed but the cost to keep the building idle is high. Mr. MacKinnon said it is a shame to have a building like that torn down. He said he believes the issue of that plant is being masked under the guise of pollution and GM doesn’t care; they want that cost down. He said it is unfortunate. Chair Paquin said Mr. MacKinnon’s opinion is a pretty fair assessment.

Mr. Morrill said it is going to be the decision of the EPA, based on the level of pollution and the danger it presents to the public. He said wondered if the language in the title is strong enough and offered a friendly amendment to change the word CONSIDER to USE. Mr. Burns agreed. Resolution No. 89-2010 was adopted by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

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RESOLUTION NO. 90-2010

AUTHORIZING THE SUSPENSION OF THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS SCHOLARSHIPS

By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Public Health Scholarship Committee awards, on an annual basis, scholarships to selected applicants indicating their interest in health related fields who wish to return to St. Lawrence County to practice their profession pursuant to Section 606 of the New York State Education Law, and

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County is facing financial difficulties and the Public Health Director is recommending suspending future awards as a means to reduce costs to the County, and

WHEREAS, current obligations will continue to be met and once the County has determined it is financially stronger it reserves the right to reinstate the Scholarship Program, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the suspension of the Health Professions Scholarship Program, effective immediately with the understanding that the current scholarship obligations will continue to be met until exhausted.

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Mr. FitzRandolph moved to adopt Resolution No. 90-2010, seconded by Mr. Turbett, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Finance Committee:  2-22-2010

RESOLUTION NO. 91-2010

SUPPORTING AN IMPLEMENTATION GRANT FOR
THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SHARED FUEL DEPOT

By Mr. FitzRandolph, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Department of Highways, the Village of Norwood, and the Norwood-Norfolk Central School District are in need of a local fuel depot, and

WHEREAS, the above-named entities operate in whole or in part within the boundaries of the Norwood-Norfolk Central School District, and

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Department of Highways, the Village of Norwood, and the Norwood-Norfolk Central School recognize that cooperation with other nearby municipal corporations presents opportunities to cut construction costs, to reduce operating expenses, to save time and fuel costs through the strategic location of supplies, to enhance security of such facilities, to enhance bargaining power with fuel suppliers, to reduce adverse environmental impacts, and to pass these benefits on to the taxpayers of the region, and

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Department of Highways, the Village of Norwood, and the Norwood-Norfolk Central School District agree to enter into an application for a Local Government Efficiency Implementation Grant as co-applicants, with the Norwood-Norfolk Central School District serving as the lead agency, for the purpose of constructing a shared fuel depot, and

WHEREAS, each entity agrees to assume a part the 10% local share in dollars of said grant from their separate resources, with the total share of the St. Lawrence County Department of Highways not to exceed $5,000, and to enter into an inter-municipal agreement for the construction, use, and maintenance of such a facility,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators supports an Implementation Grant for the construction of a shared fuel depot with the St. Lawrence County Department of Highways, the Village of Norwood, and the Norwood-Norfolk Central School District, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators designates Superintendent Elizabeth Kirnie, of the Norwood-Norfolk Central School District, as Lead Applicant Contact Person and authorizes her to submit an application to the Local Government Efficiency Grant Program in an amount not to exceed $600,000 for the 2009-2010 program year, and authorizes Superintendent Kirnie to execute all financial and/or administrative processes relating to the grant program.
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Mr. FitzRandolph moved to adopt Resolution No. 91-2010, seconded by Mr. Peck, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Ms. Cobb moved to suspend the Rules of Procedure for the presentation of one resolution, seconded by Mr. Lightfoot, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

PRESENTED UNDER THE SUSPENSION OF THE RULES

RESOLUTION NO. 92-2010

MODIFYING THE 2009 BUDGET FOR THE TRIBAL COMPACT FUNDS

By Mr. Peck, District 5

WHEREAS, in the 2009 Budget, $2,000,000 in revenue was budgeted from the Tribal Compact Funds, the anticipation was $500,000 for each of the Towns of Brasher and Massena and $1,000,000 for St. Lawrence County, and

WHEREAS, $1,781,179 has been received along with notification of an additional $743,836 following the approval of the developed spending plan, and

WHEREAS, receipt of the remaining funds will bring the total to $2,525,015 for the 2008-2009 Tribal Compact Funds and the additional $525,015 is a compilation of prior year adjustments, and

WHEREAS, of the revenue already received, the Towns of Brasher and Massena each received $631,254 which was $131,254 above what was budgeted per town and this was the division of the additional funds by the same formula utilized each year for these funds, and

WHEREAS, of the revenue received $518,671 was appropriated to St. Lawrence County and the $743,836 coming in will complete the total of $1,262,507 for the County portion of the Tribal Compact Funds, and

WHEREAS, there are some budgetary adjustments necessary in order to track the $525,015 in additional funds above the $2,000,000 originally budgeted, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to make the following budget modifications to the 2009 Budget:

INCREASE REVENUE:

01-U1-2725-550-00-0-TRIB U Trib State Compact $525,015
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**INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:**

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Mr. Peck moved to adopt Resolution No. 92-2010, seconded by Ms. Brothers and Mr. Lightfoot. Mr. Burns asked for an explanation. Mr. McNeil said this is a housekeeping resolution to bring these funds in line with the actual transactions. Mr. Burns clarified that there is nothing in this resolution that we don’t know about. Mr. McNeil said that is correct. He said while closing the books, the Deputy Treasurer noticed this needed to be done. Mr. Burns asked if this is the balance of the 2009-2010 Compact money. Mr. McNeil said this is 2008-2009 Tribal Compact Funds. Resolution No. 92-2010 was adopted by a roll call vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

**COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:** Ms. Doyle gave the report for Ms. St. Hilaire, who was in Albany. She said that we received the remaining $743,846 in Tribal Funds this week. She said Ms. St. Hilaire has placed a call to the Tribe to find out how much they paid in 2009-2010. She reported that a water main break this morning forced the County to close the HB Smith building at 11:30 a.m. She reported that repairs have been made and water is restored. Drinking water will be brought into the building as a precaution. Mr. Lightfoot asked if it is the fault of the County. Ms. Doyle said it is. Chair Paquin said the Village of Canton will bill us for the work but it may be possible to make payment through an exchange of services.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Mr. Morrill moved to go into Executive Session at 7:38 p.m. for a personnel issue, negotiations, litigation, and appointments to the Community Services Board, the Workforce Investment Board, and the Health Services Advisory Board, seconded by Mr. Forsythe, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow). Ms. Cobb moved to return to Open Session at 8:20 p.m., seconded by Mr. Forsythe and Mr. Turbett, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

**APPOINTMENTS**

Ms. Brothers moved to appoint the following individual to the St. Lawrence County Community Services Board, seconded by Mr. Morrill, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

John Kaplan, 99 Market Street, Potsdam 13676 (Expires 12/31/2010) (Replacing Bonnie Barkley)

Ms. Brothers moved to reappoint the following individuals to the St. Lawrence County Workforce Investment Board, seconded by Mr. Morrill, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow). (Terms Expire 3/4/2013)
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Dr. Joseph Kennedy, SUNY Canton-Cornell Drive, Canton, NY 13617
Jack Backus, Mort Backus & Sons, 4835 SH 68, Ogdensburg 13669
Stephen Novacich, New York State VESID, 209 West Main Street, Suite 3, Malone 12953

Mr. FitzRandolph moved to reappoint the following individual to the Health Services Advisory Board, seconded by Ms. Cobb, and carried by a voice vote with fourteen (14) yes votes and one (1) Legislator absent (Grow).

Ruth Fishbeck, Post Office Box 5069, Potsdam 13676 (Term expires 12/31/11)

CHAIR’S APPOINTMENTS

Chair Paquin appointed himself, Mr. FitzRandolph, Mr. Peck, and Ms. Cobb to the Department Head Budget Review Committee.

Chair Paquin appointed Mr. Morrill to the Blue Ribbon Task Force on Future of Farming. Mr. Morrill said his sister is a member of the committee representing Oswego County.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Government Review Committee: Ms. Cobb reported that the Government Review Committee met that afternoon and provided the minutes of that meeting. She noted the Ideas/Action Items for 2010 which included – Hiring and Recruitment Policy, Mileage Reimbursement Policy, Training Reimbursement Guidelines, Customer Service Survey Continuation, GEMS – Reporting Time and Attendance, Standardizing Outside Agency Communication and Reporting, and Capital Project Tracking. She reported that the next meeting would be held on Monday, April 5\textsuperscript{th} from 3:00-5:00 p.m.

Mr. Burns said that Mr. Clark had already given a report on the Northern Corridor. He asked if the spreadsheet for Departments had been finalized. Mr. Turbett said he will check with Ms. Coffey. Mr. Burns asked if Mr. Fountain had been in contact with TOPS regarding the stores in St. Lawrence County. Mr. Fountain said the lease is in effect through May 15\textsuperscript{th} but nothing has been discussed past that date. Mr. Burns said not knowing makes it tough on the employees.

Mr. Turbett said it is his understanding that the Motors Liquidation Company will be at the Town Hall in Massena on March 11\textsuperscript{th} at 1:30.

Mr. Morrill said the IDA has been in contact with TOPS but the discussions are done privately.

Mr. MacKinnon reminded everyone that the Garrison Commander from Fort Drum will be present at March 8\textsuperscript{th} Operations Committee meeting.

Mr. MacKinnon said at 7:35 p.m. on February 24\textsuperscript{th} he was watching TV when his Blackberry went off indicating an email was received. He said it was an email from Mr. Boulio regarding the meeting for CSEA mediation on February 17\textsuperscript{th}. He said that same night he received an email from Ms. Coffey dated February 1\textsuperscript{st} and then two more following, all twenty days after they had been sent. He said it happened one other time and the only way he received the email was because Mr. FitzRandolph responded. He wondered if there was a problem within the email.
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system and asked if it would be better if Legislators had email accounts on the County system instead of their personal accounts. Chair Paquin said it was a good idea. Mr. Turbett said he would ask someone from the Board Office to check into this. Mr. Crow said if there was a FOIL request the Legislators would have to provide their personal email for the FOIL Officer to look through. Ms. Brothers said she went back and checked her email on the mediation meeting and said it was confusing to her because she was fourth into the list copied on the email and she received it that day. She said the problem wasn’t that it didn’t get sent and was concerned that criticism not rest with Mr. Boulio, as he did due diligence. Ms. Cobb said it appears that there are two issues: the first being if this happens to Legislators, does it happen to the general public, and second being if we want to use our personal email. Chair Paquin said the issues will be looked into.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Chair Paquin adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m., as there was no further business.