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

ROLL CALL: All Legislators were present with the exception of Mr. Burns, Mr. Lightfoot, Mr. Putman, and Mr. Putney. Chair Brothers said all were absent due to personal engagements, personal commitments, or illness.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mr. Bunstone led everyone in prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Chair Brothers noted the addition of one resolution, which will be presented under suspension of the Rules of Procedure. Mr. Bunstone moved to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Mr. Peck, Mr. Arquiett, and Mr. Parker, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Mr. Morrill moved to approve the minutes of the April 4, 2011 Board Meeting, seconded by Mr. Bunstone, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

COMMUNICATIONS: The Deputy Clerk read the following communications:

1. The New York State Association of Counties sent correspondence acknowledging receipt of Resolution No. 132-2011, “Urging the Continuation of Funding for the Community Services Block Grant.”

2. Linda Parker, owner of P&J’s Riverside Deli, Heuvelton, wrote in favor of the Trails Coordinator Position.

3. Assembly member Ken Blankenbush acknowledged receipt of Resolutions entitled “Urging the Continuation of Funding for the Community Services Block Grant” and “Requesting that New York State Maintain Funding Streams for the Youth Bureau and Urging Elimination of Competitive Bid Funding”.

4. Correspondence was received from the New York State Adirondack Park Agency acknowledging receipt of the resolution “Opposing the Fee Purchase of Former Finch and Follensby Pond Lands.”

5. The New York State Adirondack Park Agency sent a follow up letter regarding the hearing on the Adirondack Club and Resort. Copies of both letters and the resolution supporting the Adirondack Club and Resort were forwarded to Administrative Law Judge Daniel P. O’Connell.

8. The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation acknowledged receipt of the resolution adopted relating to future land activities of the State.

9. Resolution No. 92-11 “Opposition to Fee Purchase of Former Finch and Follensby Pond Lands” was received from the Hamilton County Board of Supervisors.
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10. A resolution was received from the Westchester County Board of Legislators calling for a “New York Exception” to the current Nuclear Regulatory Commission and Federal Emergency Management Agency 10-mile evacuation zone requirements and demanding an immediate 50-mile evacuation zone surrounding the Indian Point Nuclear Power Plants.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION: Chair Brothers read the following statement:

“Any citizen wanting to address the Board is asked to stand at the microphone during the time that they address the Board. The citizen participation will be in the form of an oral address to the members of the Board. This part of the Agenda is not a time for audio or visual or power point presentations or performances. The address will be limited to a time of five minutes. Please state your name before beginning your talk.”

Cathy Priest stood and addressed the Board. She read from a letter that she had written to the Editor of the Advance News, which was published on Sunday, May 1st. The letter, which was signed by Phil and Cathy Priest, expressed their opinion on the possibility of the discontinuation of the bus service. They believe the bus line gives the opportunity for everyone in the County to benefit from this service. She stated that there are many folks who are poor, sick, or disabled who are in need of this service, especially in this time of rising prices. She urged Legislators to make the right decision to find solutions and keep this service going.

Phil Priest stood and addressed the Board. He stated that he is a driver for Roethel’s and he recently gave a young lad and his father a ride to Trailways Bus Depot. He said one of the men was in a wheelchair and they were traveling to the Shriner’s Hospital, noting that that is one of the services that the County bus line provides. He stated that he had read an article that said the bus line was not successful and said he wondered if the criterion for success was discussed. He said the Amish community will be hard hit by this and they use businesses in the County. He said he’s been lucky enough to drive them and thinks this service should remain in the County.

Patrick Green, Squaw Creek Cattle Company, stood and addressed the Board. He spoke about the price of flying to Albany and compared it to the cost of keeping the bus service. He said he advertised for farm workers and received a number of people interested in working. Quoting articles he found in the Watertown Times, he said Senator Gillibrand feels the ends justify the means, and the powers that be have bigger plans for us. Reading one quote about the fact that our society does not have to work; they can get money for food, rent, even their heat and electric, when they have no job so there is no incentive to work, he said he believes this dependency on the government was brought on by the public school system. He said the people on his list would be happy to work for $8/hour because they need jobs; farms are industrial and he would like enforcement of the laws and to put people to work that want jobs.

Don Hassig, Cancer Action, NY, stood and addressed the Board. He said he was very happy to have the resolution before the Legislators at the Services Committee Meeting in April. He spoke of the forum conducted shortly after that meeting, and thanked those that attended. He said there is so much science available for the public to make up their minds about POPs that he is hopeful that the resolution can be brought back again. He is hopeful that officials will write to the New York State Department of Health to ask for a full dialog of the cancer risk from POPs, adding that they won’t talk to his group because we know too much about it.
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RACQUETTE RIVER FLOOD UPDATE – MARTY HASSETT

Mr. Hassett reported on the flood conditions of the Racquette River. He thanked Mr. Parker for his expertise, noting that crews are working in the areas now. He gave an overview of how the County’s Emergency Services Department works with local fire departments and rescue squads. He said the Town of Colton has been very cooperative and have a command center in their Town Hall. He said St. Lawrence County is in good shape compared to Franklin County, adding that Clinton County is in horrible shape with damages to the nice residences along the water. He said we are planning for the water levels to be the same for the next five days. He said if you see a volunteer, thank him, noting that they receive no money for doing this and some could lose their jobs because of it. Mr. Akins asked Mr. Hassett to come back at a later date with a list of things that could be changed or improved for future situations like these. Mr. Hassett said they will have an after-action review with all players involved, which could include other counties. He said there are always things you can do differently and better. Ms. St. Hilaire said Jefferson County supplied sandbags for us and Congressman Owens asked for continued updates from Mr. Hassett and also made his staff available to help.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS:

Operations Committee: 4-18-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 133-2011

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH NEW YORK STATE BOARD OF ELECTIONS FOR HHS POLLING PLACE IMPROVEMENT AND MODIFYING THE 2011 BOARD OF ELECTIONS OFFICE BUDGET

By Mr. Peck, Chair, Operations Committee

WHEREAS, the Board of Elections has received notification that the Department has been allocated federal grant funding (Contract #T003123) in the amount of $4,402 (01-E4-4089-570-00-0) for HHS Polling Place Improvement,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign said contract, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2011 Board of Elections Budget as follows and that an automatic annual rollover of remaining funds be in place until the expiration date of the contract, September 30, 2015:

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Mr. Peck moved to adopt Resolution No. 133-2011, seconded by Mr. Morrill and Mr. Paquin, and carried by a roll call vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Operations Committee: 4-18-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 134-2011

AUTHORIZING ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY TO PROVIDE GRANT SERVICES TO THE VILLAGE OF NORWOOD

By Mr. Peck, Chair, Operations Committee

WHEREAS, funds are available from the New York State Office of Community Renewal (OCR) to provide for community improvements, such as housing, economic development and community facilities under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, and

WHEREAS, the regulations for the CDBG program allow counties to apply for funds “on behalf of” other local governments if requested by the local government, and

WHEREAS, the County Planning Office has experience in preparing CDBG applications and in the administration of the programs, and

WHEREAS, the Village of Norwood has requested that the County apply on its behalf for Community Development Block Grant Funds,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes St. Lawrence County to provide grant services to the Village of Norwood, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislatures authorizes the County Planning Office to prepare the application and to perform other necessary activities in order to secure CDBG funds on behalf of the Village of Norwood, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that should the grant be awarded, the Board of Legislatures authorizes the Chair to sign the necessary documentation and contract for administration, subject to review and approval by the County Attorney, and the County Planning Office to engage in requisite activities to secure, administer and close-out this grant as may be required, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that should the grant be awarded, the Board of Legislatures authorizes the County Planning Office to provide CDBG administration and program delivery services to the Village of Norwood, such services to be reimbursable through the grant, and
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that should the grant be awarded, and grant administration and program delivery continue into subsequent fiscal years, the Board of Legislatures authorizes the Treasurer’s Office to roll-over both appropriation and revenue accounts at the end of the prior fiscal year.

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Mr. Peck moved to adopt Resolution No. 134-2011, seconded by Mr. Bunstone, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Operations Committee: 4-18-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 135-2011

AUTHORIZING ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY TO PROVIDE GRANT SERVICES TO THE TOWN OF ROSSIE

By Mr. Peck, Chair, Operations Committee

WHEREAS, funds are available from the New York State Office of Community Renewal (OCR) to provide for community improvements, such as housing, economic development and community facilities under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program, and

WHEREAS, the regulations for the CDBG program allow counties to apply for funds “on behalf of” other local governments if requested by the local government, and

WHEREAS, the County Planning Office has experience in preparing CDBG applications and in the administration of the programs, and

WHEREAS, the Town of Rossie has requested that the County apply on its behalf for Community Development Block Grant Funds,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes St. Lawrence County to provide grant services to the Town of Rossie, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislatures authorizes the County Planning Office to prepare the application and to perform other necessary activities in order to secure CDBG funds on behalf of the Town of Rossie, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that should the grant be awarded, the Board of Legislatures authorizes the Chair to sign the necessary documentation and contract for administration, subject to review and approval by the County Attorney, and the County Planning Office to engage in requisite activities to secure, administer and close-out this grant as may be required, and
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that should the grant be awarded, the Board of Legislatures authorizes the County Planning Office to provide CDBG administration and program delivery services to the Town of Rossie, such services to be reimbursable through the grant, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that should the grant be awarded, and grant administration and program delivery continue into subsequent fiscal years, the Board of Legislatures authorizes the Treasurer’s Office to roll-over both appropriation and revenue accounts at the end of the prior fiscal year.

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Mr. Peck moved to adopt Resolution No. 135-2011, seconded by Mr. MacKinnon, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Operations Committee: 4-18-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 136-2011

SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD TO ATTAIN GRANT FUNDING TO RESTORE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY FIRE TRAINING FACILITY, INC.

By Mr. Peck, Chair, Operations Committee
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Putney, District 15

WHEREAS, in addition to training through schools, exercises, and drills conducted throughout the area, New York State requires that fire training curriculum include exposure to live fire situations, and

WHEREAS, a large part of any firefighter training involves the use of self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) and the best way to train using SCBAs is to do so in controlled, simulated, live fire situations like those presented in burn facilities, and

WHEREAS, environmental restrictions have essentially eliminated the ability of fire chiefs to use abandoned, acquired structures for live fire proficiency training and because of this, departments utilized the George E. Briggs Fire Training Center, now owned by St. Lawrence County Fire Training Facility, Inc, a not for profit 501 (c) 3, to meet their live fire training requirements, and

WHEREAS, the live fire burn building component of this facility was condemned for safety reasons two years ago and the inability to use the now condemned facility for live training reduces the firefighters ability to fight fires safely, which results in an increased safety risk, an increased potential for injury, and increased compensation costs, and
WHEREAS, individual fire departments must now travel to other counties to utilize their burn facilities and the St. Lawrence County Fire Advisory Board believes it is unfair to expect other counties to support the training needs of local firefighters, and

WHEREAS, the additional travel places an added financial burden on St. Lawrence Counties volunteer firefighters, thus making it more difficult to recruit and retain them, and

WHEREAS, a desire to restore St. Lawrence County Fire Training Facility, Inc. has resulted in a campaign to raise $350,000 and part of the effort includes the procurement of grant funding by the St. Lawrence County Fire Advisory Board,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators supports the efforts of the St. Lawrence County Fire Advisory Board to attain grant funding at all levels of government to restore St. Lawrence County Fire Training Facility, Inc.

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Mr. Peck moved to adopt Resolution No. 136-2011, seconded by Mr. Morrill and Mr. Parker, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Services Committee: 4-18-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 137-2011

MODIFYING THE 2011 COMMUNITY SERVICES BUDGET FOR MANDATORY LAB TESTING FEES

By Mr. Bunstone, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the Chemical Dependency Clinic has received notification from the New York State Office of Alcohol and Substance Abuse Services (OASAS) of the revised Standards for Clinical Services for Individuals Arrested for an Impaired Driving Offense, and

WHEREAS, these revised standards mandate that urine specimens be sent to an approved licensed laboratory pursuant to Section 575 of the Public Health Law, and

WHEREAS, the Chemical Dependency Clinic has established a process to receive payment from individuals prior to specimens being collected and sent, and

WHEREAS, this process will ensure that the full cost of the services provided by the licensed laboratory are paid in advance,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2011 Community Services Budget as follows:
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Mr. Bunstone moved to adopt Resolution No. 137-2011, seconded by Mr. Parker, and carried by a roll call vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Services Committee: 4-18-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 138-2011

MODIFYING THE 2011 PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUDGET TO ACCEPT AN INCREASED DONATION FROM THE EDWARD I. MOSES WALK-RUN FOR LIFE PROGRAM

By Mr. Bunstone, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the Edward I Moses Walk-Run for Life Program has donated $15,000 to the St. Lawrence County Public Health Department, and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Department budgeted revenue for the Edward I Moses Walk-Run for Life Program (01-PW-1689-550-00-0-EMR) at $10,000 for 2011 and a budget modification is necessary to accept the additional funds,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2011 Public Health Department Budget as follows:

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Mr. Bunstone moved to adopt Resolution No. 138-2011, seconded by Mr. Peck and Mr. Arquiett, and carried by a roll call vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Services Committee: 4-18-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 139-2011

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS FOR HOME HEALTH AIDE SERVICES FOR THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT’S CHHA AND LONG TERM HOME HEALTH CARE PROGRAM

By Mr. Bunstone, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the Public Health Department engages the services of various agencies, including but not limited to Health Services of Northern NY, Community Development Program, Homemaker of Western New York, Inc (CareGivers), and United Helpers to provide Home Health Aide (HHA) services to their CHHA and Long Term Home Health Care Programs, and

WHEREAS, the contracts cover the following HHA services at the following rates not to exceed:

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WHEREAS, these rates are set by the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) and will be adjusted in 2011 upon notification by NYSDOH, and

WHEREAS, the rates cover the contract period January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2011,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign said contracts, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. Bunstone moved to adopt Resolution No. 139-2011, seconded by Mr. Paquin and Mr. Morrill, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).
RESOLUTION NO. 140-2011

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CERTIFICATIONS OF COLA AND ACCEPTING FUNDS FOR VARIOUS PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT GRANTS AND MODIFYING THE 2011 PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUDGET

By Mr. Bunstone, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, Chapter 57, Laws of 2006 provide for the Commissioner of Health to establish an annual cost of living adjustment (COLA) for programs outlined in the statute, and

WHEREAS, these funds require certification that the funds will be used for or have been used for expenditures associated with the recruitment and retention of staff or other critical non-personal service costs, and

WHEREAS, COLA notifications have been received for Dental Sealant in the amount of $4,010 (01-PD-4489-570-00-0), for the Immunization Action Program in the amount of $4,467 (01-PV-3472-560-00-0), for the Rabies Program in the amount of $2,373 (01-PR-3472-560-00-0), and for Children With Special Health Care Needs in the amount of $1,714 (01-PE-3401-560-00-0-CSHN), and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Department must document and report that these funds were used for their intended purpose,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to accept the funds and sign said COLA agreements, upon approval of the County Attorney, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Treasurer is authorized to modify the 2011 Public Health Department Budget as follows:

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Mr. Bunstone moved to adopt Resolution No. 140-2011, seconded by Mr. Parker and Mr. Acres, and carried by a roll call vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Services Committee: 4-18-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 141-2011

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS FOR SERVICES FOR THE EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

By Mr. Bunstone, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the Public Health Department engages the services of several individuals and agencies to provide services for the Early Intervention Program, and

WHEREAS, the Early Intervention Program Contracts cover the following services: Core Evaluations (01-PE 4059-486-00-0); Supplemental Evaluations (01-PE 4059-486-00-0); Service Coordination (01-PE 4059-430-SC-0); Home and Community Based Visits (01-PE 4059-430-DS-0); Facility Based Visits (01-PE 4059-430-DS-0); Parent-Child Groups (01-PE 4059-430-DS-0); Group Developmental Intervention (01-PE 4059-430-DS-0); and Family/Caregiver Support Groups (01-PE 4059-430-DS-0), and

WHEREAS, the rates are set by the New York State Department of Health and the contracts cover the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign said contracts, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. Bunstone moved to adopt Resolution No. 141-2011, seconded by Mr. Morrill and Mr. Paquin, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).
RESOLUTION NO. 142-2011

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN CONTRACTS FOR SERVICES
FOR THE PRE-K SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM
IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

By Mr. Bunstone, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the Public Health Department engages the services of several individuals and agencies to provide services for the Pre-K Special Education Program, and

WHEREAS, the Pre-K Special Education Program Contracts cover the following services: Center-Based Program (01-PK-4050-465-02-0), Special Education Itinerant Teacher (SEIT) (01-PK-4050-477-00-0), Evaluation (01-PK-4050-486-00-0) at rates set by the New York State Education Department, and Related Services (01-PK-4050-477-00-0) at rates set by St. Lawrence County, and

WHEREAS, the contracts cover the period July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign said contracts, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. Bunstone moved to adopt Resolution No. 142-2011, seconded by Mr. Paquin. Mr. Parker asked the County Administrator if any of the money owed has been received. Ms. St. Hilaire said there had been some. She said the Department received word that they could begin to bill back but Dr. Hathaway found that we had to bill under the new regulations and we can not meet those regulations due to the way notes were taken and the codes used. Dr. Hathaway has sent a note to our providers telling them that they will not be paid for future services unless we are sure of reimbursement. Ms. St. Hilaire said the providers knew the new rules changed the requirements; one has met the requirements and one has not. Mr. Parker asked if that provider is included in this resolution. Ms. St. Hilaire said yes, we are mandated to provide the service, but the rules can change at any time. He asked Mr. Crowe what happens to the County if we do not provide the service. Dr. Hathaway answered, explaining that according to State Education Law, the money will be deducted from any other agencies that we receive money from. Mr. Morrill asked if any counties have met the new requirements. Dr. Hathaway said she will ask the New York State Association of County Health Officials (NYSACHO) meeting. Mr. Parker asked if a letter can be sent to the State. Consensus was to have Ms. Doyle and Ms. St. Hilaire write a letter to the State. Resolution No. 142-2011 was adopted by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).
May 2, 2011
Services Committee: 4-18-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 143-2011

PROCLAIMING MAY AS OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

By Mr. Bunstone, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, May is Older Americans Month – a tradition dating back to 1963 to honor the legacies and enormous contributions of older Americans and support them as they enter the next stage in life, and

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County, home to more than 20,125 citizens age 60 and older, is joining communities nationwide in celebrating this month with special activities and events, and

WHEREAS, this year’s theme – Older Americans: Connecting the Community – pays homage to the many ways in which older adults bring inspiration and continuity to the fabric of our communities and who, with their shared histories, diverse experiences, and wealth of knowledge, have made our culture, economy, and local character what they are today, and

WHEREAS, the older adults in St. Lawrence County are the roots from which our community grows, who bestow gifts of wisdom and insight upon younger generations, and strengthen the bonds between neighbors to create a better place to live, and

WHEREAS, older adults aging peacefully in their communities can enhance our society and should be commended for their role in creating and bolstering the fiber of our community and nation, and

WHEREAS, our community can provide that recognition and respect by enriching the quality of life for older Americans by: increasing their opportunities to remain in their communities as active and engaged citizens; providing services, technologies, and support systems that allow seniors to foster and maintain connections within the community; and emphasizing the value of elders by publically recognizing their contributions to the diversity, strength, and unity of our community,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators does hereby proclaim May 2011 to be Older Americans Month in St. Lawrence County and urges every citizen to take time this month not only to recognize what older citizens bring to our communities, but also to help them continue playing a vital role in weaving a unique and lasting community fabric.

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Mr. Bunstone moved to adopt Resolution No. 143-2011, seconded by Mr. Morrill and Mr. MacKinnon, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).
RESOLUTION NO. 144-2011

MODIFYING THE 2011 OFFICE FOR THE AGING BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED IN SUPPORT OF CONTINUING THE OPERATION OF THE DEKALB NUTRITION CENTER

By Mr. Bunstone, Chair, Services Committee
Co-Sponsored By Mr. Morrill, District 6

WHEREAS, the Office for Aging has received contributions in the amount of $1,720 in show of support for continuing the operation of the DeKalb Nutrition Center, and

WHEREAS, the donors have specified that $220 of this money be designated as a donation to the St. Lawrence County Senior Bus Program, and

WHEREAS, the remaining $1,500 be used to purchase supplies and equipment as needed to provide access and comfort to senior citizens utilizing the nutrition center, and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to appropriate the $1,500 to enable the Department to comply with the wishes of the donors,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2011 Office for the Aging Budget as follows:

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

01-ON-6772-428-DS-0 O NUTR Dekalb Comm Support $1,500

INCREASE REVENUE:

01-ON-2705-550-00-0 O LR Donations $1,500

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Mr. Morrill moved to adopt Resolution No. 144-2011, seconded by Mr. Peck and Mr. Bunstone, and carried by a roll call vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).
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Services Committee: 4-18-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 145-2011

MODIFYING THE PY10 WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT BUDGET

By Mr. Bunstone, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Workforce Investment Board’s (SLCWIB) passed the following resolution approving the modification to the PY10 WIA Budget,

March 17, 2011
ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD
Resolution No. 11-03-02

MODIFYING THE PY10 WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT BUDGET

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Workforce Investment Board’s (SLCWIB) Executive Committee, acting with the authority conferred upon them by the SLCWIB’s Bylaws (Article IX), passed Resolution 10-06-13 which established initial PY10 Workforce Investment Act (WIA) budget, and

WHEREAS, since that time St. Lawrence County has been awarded Dislocated Worker Supplemental funds in the amount of $30,582.34 based on the Dislocated Worker formula distribution,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Lawrence County Workforce Investment Board does hereby approve the following modifications to the PY10 WIA budget:

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2011 Social Services Budget as outlined above.

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Mr. Bunstone moved to adopt Resolution No. 145-2011, seconded by Mr. Morrill, and carried by a roll call vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).
May 2, 2011
Services Committee: 4-18-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 146-2011

MODIFYING THE PY10 WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT
2011 ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY BUDGET AND CARRYOVER UNUSED FUNDS

By Mr. Bunstone, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Workforce Investment Board’s (SLCWIB) Executive Committee, acting with the authority conferred upon them by the SLCWIB’s Bylaws (Article IX), passed Resolution 09-06-10 which established initial PY09 Workforce Investment Act (WIA) budget, and

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County passed Resolution No. 233-2010 approving the PY10 WIA Budget, and

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County is the designated Grant Recipient for Workforce Investment Act Funds and establishes budgets with the Department of Social Services in accordance with obligations received, and

WHEREAS, since that time St. Lawrence County has been awarded Incentive Funds in the amount of $14,522 for reaching specified expenditure milestones, and

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Workforce Investment Board does hereby approve the following modifications to the PY10 WIA Budget:

INCREASE APPROPRIATIONS:

70-UC-6292-461-SC-0-INC Youth Inc Subcontracts $14,522

INCREASE REVENUE:

70-UC-4790-570-00-0-INC Youth Inc Revenue $14,522

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Treasurer to modify the 2011 Social Services Budget as outlined above, and carry over any unused funds to the 2012 Budget.

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Mr. Bunstone moved to adopt Resolution No. 146-2011, seconded by Mr. Parker, and carried by a roll call vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).
RESOLUTION NO. 147-2011

APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY TO THE ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

By Mr. Bunstone, Chair, Services Committee

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 200-2005 authorizes the Chair to sign a five-party Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Village of Canton, the Town of Canton, the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency, and the St. Lawrence NYSARC for the St. Lawrence County Jail Project, and

WHEREAS, the scope of the Jail Project included the creation of an Industrial Park adjacent to the Jail Facility and an access road through St. Lawrence NYSARC property to State Route 68, and

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County currently owns a parcel situate in the Town of Canton identified by tax parcel number(s) 88.049-1-2, consisting of approximately 41.5 acres (hereinafter, the “Property”), and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the MOU the County shall transfer surplus portions (approximately 22 acres) of the property to the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency for future development purposes,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to execute all necessary contracts, agreements, deeds, certificates, and instruments necessary to effectuate the transfer of the aforementioned property from the County to the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency and prior to execution, such contracts, agreements, deeds, certificates, and instruments are to be approved by the County Attorney, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall take effect upon its adoption.

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Mr. Bunstone moved to adopt Resolution No. 147-2011, seconded by Mr. Peck and Mr. Morrill, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).
AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD TO ACCEPT AN OPTION TO RENT A REDUCED AMOUNT OF SPACE AND ESTABLISH RENTAL RATES FOR THE OPTION PERIOD

By Mr. Morrill, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Workforce Investment Board and the County have previously entered into a Lease Agreement made on July 1, 2001 for a ten (10) year term ending April 30, 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Lease provides the opportunity to the St. Lawrence County Workforce Investment Board to exercise a five year option, and

WHEREAS, the Lease further provides for the parties to negotiate rental rates for the option period, and

WHEREAS, the St. Lawrence County Workforce Investment Board has indicated a willingness to continue to lease from the St. Lawrence County for the purpose of furnishing space for the St. Lawrence County One-Stop Career Center, and

WHEREAS, the amount of space needed by the Workforce Investment Board as of May of 2011 is approximately 8,618 square feet on the first floor of the Human Services Center, 80 State Highway 310, Canton, New York, and

WHEREAS, the rental rate per square foot using the formula in the 2001 lease agreement will be $13.33, and

WHEREAS, in second through fifth years of the option period, the rental rate per square foot will be calculated using the formula in the original lease agreement which provides for an annual increase based on the increase in the consumer price index,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an agreement to accept the exercise of the option for approximately 8,618 square feet of space at a rental rate consistent with the formula used in the Lease Agreement signed in 2001, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. Morrill moved to adopt Resolution No. 148-2011, seconded by Mr. Peck. Mr. Parker asked about the opt-out option. Mr. Rediehs said the part of the lease that provided for a unilateral decrease in the rent for the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) if a WIB partner left the One Stop Career Center has been replaced by a fairer arrangement that allows for modification by agreement and says that if the State and Federal funding ends, the obligation for the WIB to pay the rent shall end. Mr. Parker confirmed that Ms. St. Hilaire recommended the acceptance of this
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agreement. Resolution No. 148-2011 was adopted by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Finance Committee: 4-25-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 149-2011

ST. LAWRENCE COUNTY DECLARATION OF INTENT TO PROCEED
AS LEAD AGENCY AND TO COMPLETE A GEIS FOR THE
COUNTYWIDE MULTI-USE RECREATIONAL TRAIL SYSTEM

By Mr. Morrill, Chair, Finance Committee
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Arquiett, District 13

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County desires to develop a Countywide Multi-use Recreational Trail System (Trail System), and

WHEREAS, development of this system constitutes an action under the State Environmental Quality Review (SEQR) Regulations, and

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County resolved its intent to establish the County as Lead Agency for this action (Resolution No. 262-2010), and

WHEREAS, the Superintendent of the Department of Highways is coordinating the necessary environmental review with all “Involved Agencies” as defined by 6 NYCRR § 617.2(s),

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators declares that it shall be the Lead Agency for the Trail System action following the 30-day comment period as defined by 6 NYCRR § 617.6, contingent upon no other agency being assigned lead agency as defined in 6 NYCRR § 617.6(b)5, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators accepts that the Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (GEIS) developed for the Trail System, in place of a Full Environmental Assessment Form, as complete, contingent upon the establishment of the Board of Legislators as the Lead Agency, and the Draft GEIS shall be published per 6 NYCRR § 617.12 and public comment accepted for a period of 30 days, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators shall accept the Draft GEIS with addition of public comment, and the response to such comment as necessary, as the Final GEIS for the Trail System, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators, contingent upon acceptance of the Final GEIS shall deem the SEQR process complete for the Trail System 10 days following acceptance of the Final GEIS, and
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators directs the Superintendent of the Department of Highways to undertake the necessary data gathering, coordinated review, and development of the Draft and Final GEIS to complete this process, and

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

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Mr. Arquiett moved to adopt Resolution No. 149-2011, seconded by Mr. Parker, Mr. Sutherland, Mr. Peck, and Mr. MacKinnon. Mr. MacKinnon explained the resolution, noting that once the document is out, the public can comment about what they see. This document, plus the comments made, will be filed and will become the total of the impact statement. He clarified that this is not giving the authority to create it. He said hopefully, this will be used as a tool during any construction phase for the trails; this sets the process in motion. Resolution No. 149-2011 was adopted by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Finance Committee: 4-25-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 150-2011

APPROVING STANDARD FEDERAL AID HIGHWAY AND MARCHISELLI AID PROJECT AGREEMENT FOR THE PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING AND RIGHT–OF-WAY (ROW) INCIDENTALS OF COUNTY ROUTE 47 OVER THE WEST BRANCH OF THE ST. REGIS RIVER, BIN 3341910 & BIN 3341920, PIN 775329

By Mr. Morrill, Chair, Finance Committee

Authorizing The Implementation, And Funding In The First Instance 100% Of The Federal Aid And State “Marchiselli” Program-Aid Eligible Costs, Of A Transportation Federal-Aid Project, And Appropriating Funds Therefore

WHEREAS, a project for the Preliminary Engineering and Right-of-Way (ROW) Incidents for County Route 47 over the West Branch of the St. Regis River, BIN 3341910 & BIN 3341920, PIN 775329 (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 Preliminary Engineering and Right-of-Way (ROW) Incidents,

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 Preliminary Engineering and Right-of-Way (ROW) Incidentals 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 Chair of the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators be and is hereby authorized to execute 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. Morrill moved to adopt Resolution No. 150-2011, seconded by Mr. Bunstone, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Finance Committee: 4-25-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 151-2011

AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A KEYBOARD SPECIALIST POSITION IN THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC DEFENDER

By Mr. Morrill, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

WHEREAS, Position No. 0031-073, Keyboard Specialist, became vacant on April 11, 2011 due to a promotion within the Office, and
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WHEREAS, the Office of the Public Defender currently employs six full-time attorneys that require staff support for the execution of the daily tasks, and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Public Defender requires the replacement of the Keyboard Specialist Position in order to assist with constitutionally mandated services provided to indigent clients,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chief Assistant Public Defender to fill Position No. 0031-073, Keyboard Specialist, in the Office of the Public Defender, no earlier than thirty (30) days from the date vacated.

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Mr. Morrill moved to adopt Resolution No. 151-2011, seconded by Mr. Bunstone and Mr. Arquiett, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Finance Committee: 4-25-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 152-2011

AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A FULL-TIME CORRECTION OFFICER POSITION IN THE SHERIFF’S OFFICE

By Mr. Morrill, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2008, the St. Lawrence County Board of Legislators adopted Resolution No. 281-2008, which implemented a non-essential services hiring freeze, and

WHEREAS, Position No. 6030-047, Full-Time Correction Officer, has been vacant since March 31, 2011 due to a resignation, and

WHEREAS, the Position has been vacant for at least thirty (30) days, and

WHEREAS, this Position is needed to meet full staffing requirements at the Correctional Facility, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Sheriff to fill Position No. 6030-047, Full-Time Correction Officer, in the Sheriff’s Office, no earlier than thirty (30) days from the date vacated.

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Mr. Morrill moved to adopt Resolution No. 152-2011, seconded by Mr. Arquiett, Mr. Peck, Mr. Bunstone, and Mr. Acres, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).
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Finance Committee: 4-25-2011

RESOLUTION NO. 153-2011

SUPPORTING U.S. SENATE BILL NO. S.604 ENTITLED “SENIORS MENTAL HEALTH ACCESS IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2011”

By Mr. Morrill, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County is a Behavioral Healthcare Professional shortage area resulting in limited access to mental health services, and

WHEREAS, Bill No. S.604 was introduced in U.S. Senate on March 17, 2011, to amend Title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the coverage of Marriage and Family Therapist Services and Mental Health Counselor Services under Part B of the Medicare Program, and for other purposes, which has been forwarded to the Senate Committee on Finance, and

WHEREAS, this would provide St. Lawrence County residents with improved access to treatment and support can enable people to lead satisfying lives in their communities, and

WHEREAS, according to 2009 statistics from the New York State Office of Mental Health, 13 percent of the population in St. Lawrence County are 65 years of age or older and 6.5 percent of those receiving mental health services are 65 years of age or older, and

WHEREAS, upon adoption of Bill No. S.604 the amendments made by this proposal shall apply with respect to services provided on or after January 1, 2012,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators strongly supports Congressional Bill No. S.604, amending title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the coverage of Marriage and Family Therapist Services and Mental Health Counselor services under Part B of the Medicare Program, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to U.S. Senators: Ron Wyden, Charles Schumer, and Kirsten Gillibrand, the Senate Finance Committee Chair Max Baucus, and Congressman Bill Owens.

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Mr. Morrill moved to adopt Resolution No. 153-2011, seconded by Mr. Bunstone. Mr. Acres asked if there was a co-sponsor in the House of Representatives. Ms. Ayen said she was unsure. Mr. Acres asked how we are currently providing service to these people. Ms. Ayen said right now the titles are reimbursed as an exception but the exception expires in 2013. She noted that there are several other titles that are going to be included in that exception. Mr. Akins asked if reimbursement would be given if a person has private insurance. Ms. Ayen said private insurances try to follow Medicaid rules, explaining that if this doesn’t go through, we will see a limit to the number of titles that are reimbursed. Resolution No. 153-2011 was adopted by a voice vote with nine (9) yes votes, two (2) no votes (Akins and MacKinnon), and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).
RESOLUTION NO. 154-2011

AUTHORIZING THE CHAIR TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT
WITH THE CANTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR
USE OF THE PARKING LOTS AT THE COUNTY COMPLEX

By Mr. Morrill, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the Canton Chamber of Commerce has requested the use of the H.B. Smith Parking Lot and the main Courthouse Parking Lot for the annual Dairy Princess Parade on June 4, 2011, and

WHEREAS, the Canton Chamber of Commerce has agreed to sign an agreement that would hold the County harmless from any and all liability arising from the use of the parking lots,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators authorizes the Chair to sign an agreement with the Canton Chamber of Commerce for use of the parking lots at the County Complex for the annual Dairy Princess Parade, upon approval of the County Attorney.

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Mr. Morrill moved to adopt Resolution No. 154-2011, seconded by Mr. Parker, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

RESOLUTION NO. 155-2011

OPPOSING NEW YORK STATE SENATE BILL NUMBER S.4069
REQUIRING AN ELECTRONIC TRANSFER OF VEHICLES

By Mr. Morrill, Chair, Finance Committee

WHEREAS, the County Clerk’s Office generates significant revenue for the people of St. Lawrence County through the four Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) Offices, and

WHEREAS, car dealerships statewide, and in St. Lawrence County, vary greatly in size, scope of business, number of employees, and technological capabilities, and

WHEREAS, proposed Senate Bill No. S.4069 would amend the Vehicle and Traffic Law, in relation to allowing the Commissioner to require an electronic transfer of vehicles and to establish separate fees for paper and electronic transfers, and

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WHEREAS, requiring both electronic and paper submission options would be challenging for both the County DMV staff and car dealers alike resulting in lost time and added costs, and

WHEREAS, several small car dealerships do not possess the equipment or staff to process electronic vehicle transfers, and

WHEREAS, this process will be an additional cost to car dealers and a loss of revenue to the DMV, and

WHEREAS, S.4069 has been introduced by Senator Fuschillo; read twice and ordered printed, and then to be committed to the Committee on Transportation,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators urges the New York State Senate to reject Bill S.4069, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senator Charles Fuschillo, Jr., Senator Joseph Griffo, Senator Elizabeth Little, Senator Patricia Ritchie, Assemblyman Ken Blankenbush, Assemblywoman Janet Duprey, Assemblywoman Addie Russell, and Assemblywoman Teresa Sayward, and members of the Senate Transportation Committee.

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Mr. Morrill moved to adopt Resolution No. 155-2011, seconded by Mr. Peck and Mr. Arquiett. Mr. Parker asked if the Clerk’s Association was unsuccessful in their attempt to come to a compromise. Mr. Regan said as of April 29th the Bill has been put on hold, but we decided to move forward because the Board will not meet again until June and if it doesn’t get changed, we won’t get the opportunity to comment, as the Bill is on its third reading. Mr. Morrill said we should pass this resolution because, although it has been put on hold, it exists today. Resolution No. 155-2011 was adopted by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

RESOLUTION NO. 156-2011

SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS TO NAME THE TOWN OF WADDINGTON AS THE ULTIMATE FISHING TOWN USA

By Mr. Putney, District 15
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Acres, District 8

WHEREAS, the World Fishing Network is sponsoring a contest to name “The Ultimate Fishing Town USA” with a Grand Prize including $25,000 community donation to be used for fishing-related causes, and

WHEREAS, the Waddington Chamber of Commerce nominated the Town of Waddington as being the “Place the World Comes to Fish”, and
WHEREAS, the Town of Waddington is centrally located to many, major international cities such as Syracuse, Albany, Burlington, Ottawa, and Montreal, making it a popular destination for fishing enthusiasts for hundreds of miles around, and

WHEREAS, Waddington borders the St. Lawrence River which is often called “America’s Fourth Coast”; within the St. Lawrence River lies a man-made lake (about 25 miles in length) called “Lake St. Lawrence” where the waters are deep and the fish are plentiful, and

WHEREAS, sharing an international border with Canada, Waddington boasts 10+ miles of accessible St. Lawrence River frontage, local streams and tributaries offer an additional 25+ miles of accessible fishing, and

WHEREAS, Waddington offers full facilities and amenities to its fishing community including bait shops and restaurants, as well as Cole’s Creek New York State Park and Cole’s Creek Marina, where there are five boat launches and handicapped fishing access, making its beautiful waterways convenient and accessible to everyone, and

WHEREAS, Waddington is an angler’s paradise with four-season fishing including tournaments nearly every month of the year, with species of all kinds including: Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass, Walleye, Northern Pike, Muskellunge, Carp, Catfish, Bullhead, Perch, Sturgeon, Bluegill, Freshwater Drum, Sunfish, and Rock Bass, with numerous protected spawning grounds located within local waters, and

WHEREAS, in the last ten years the St. Lawrence River has become world renowned for its superior carp angling, this year marking the 10th anniversary of the St. Lawrence International Junior Carp Tournament where young anglers from across the map travel to the shores of the St. Lawrence River to learn the art of carp angling in Waddington, and

WHEREAS, in 2005, Waddington hosted the first ever North American locale for the World Carp Championship, where hundreds of anglers came from around the world to participate in this prestigious global competition,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators supports the efforts of the Town of Waddington to become the “Ultimate Fishing Town USA” for 2011, with its many miles of pristine waterfront, its vast array of species, its four-season fishing opportunities, and it’s growing global recognition as an angler’s paradise.

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Mr. Paquin moved to adopt Resolution No. 156-2011, seconded by Mr. Acres. Mr. Acres requested to be added as a co-sponsor, and encouraged everyone to vote for Waddington. Mr. Parker offered a friendly amendment to the seventh Whereas, which was to delete the word sturgeon, as it is illegal to fish for them in New York State. Ms. St. Hilaire gave an update on the competition, stating that as of this afternoon Waddington was 6,500 votes ahead of the competition. Mr. Morrill said at first he thought the resolution was in poor taste because there are two other communities in the competition, however, given the vote tally, he feels that it is a good resolution that he supports one hundred percent. Chair Brothers agreed with Mr. Morrill. Mr. Arquiett said we cannot underestimate the value of this because it gets attention to an area of
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the County. Chair Brothers said when the people come to Waddington, they will also go to Ogdensburg and Massena. Resolution No. 156-2011 was adopted by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Mr. Bunstone moved to suspend the Rules of Procedure for the presentation of one resolution, seconded by Mr. Paquin and Mr. Morrill, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

PRESENTED UNDER THE SUSPENSION OF THE RULES

RESOLUTION NO. 157-2011

OPPOSING NATIONAL GRID’S REQUEST TO INCREASE “MAKE READY” FEES

By Mr. Peck, District 5
Co-Sponsored by Mr. Morrill, District 6

WHEREAS, St. Lawrence County seeks to expand broadband access to its citizens, and

WHEREAS, Slic Network Solutions, Inc. secured grants of $5.3 million and $27.8 million through the Federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to install 660 miles of fiber-optic cable in St. Lawrence County and 136 miles in Franklin County, and

WHEREAS, the Development Authority of the North Country (DANC) and Ion HoldCo were awarded $39 Million through the Federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to install a fiber-optic cable from Boonville to Utica and DANC is also extending its line from Star Lake through Piercefield to Tupper Lake, and

WHEREAS, these projects depend on National Grid’s pole infrastructure for installation of the fiber-optic cable and National Grid provided pole attachment or “make ready” fees to applicants during preparation of grant proposals, and

WHEREAS, National Grid’s decision to seek an increase in “make ready” fees without providing sufficient justification for the increase will make it difficult for Slic Network Solutions, Inc., DANC, and Ion HoldCo to complete the projects as originally proposed, thus shrinking the broadband expansion in St. Lawrence County,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Legislators does hereby request that National Grid reconsider its decision to seek an increase in “make ready” fees, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that should National Grid not reconsider its request, that the New York State Public Service Commission be asked to reject any request that undermines the applicants’ ability to complete their network build-outs, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to National Grid, Hon. Jaclyn A. Brilling, Public Service Commission; Senator Patricia Ritchie, Senator Joe Griffo, and the Franklin County Legislature.
Mr. Peck moved to adopt Resolution No. 157-2011, seconded by Mr. Morrill and Mr. Sutherland. Mr. Peck said this was first brought to his attention at the IDA Meeting. He spoke with Laura Perry and she feels it is time sensitive and could cost Slic $3.56 million extra. He said he would understand if there was a desire to table this tonight to allow time for research, but it is time sensitive and he believes it should move forward tonight. Ms. St. Hilaire said she spoke with Rich Burns of National Grid. He said in late 2010 National Grid filed to have “make ready” rates increased. They filed the 30-day notice that was required and no comments were made. She said she was told today that the increases were substantial. She noted that the Town of Canton has also filed a complaint, which has prompted the Public Service Commission to request information from National Grid. Mr. Morrill said we are not opposing the request for “make ready” fees, because it has already taken place. He made friendly amendment to change that language throughout the resolution to reflect that. Mr. Peck agreed. Chair Brothers said that, while she is not in favor of government competing for business, in this particular case the grant dollars will be spent on other areas, and this service is needed in our County. Resolution No. 157-2011 was adopted by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT:

Ms. St. Hilaire asked Deb Bridges to give an explanation of the rate changes and how they will affect the shortfall in the Department of Social Services Budget. Ms. Bridges explained that the State was very quick to identify reductions in funding, which came to approximately $800,000, but at the same time they were considering opening up other areas, such as Temporary Assistance, which in turn opened up funding to for other areas.

Ms. St. Hilaire said the Office of Indigent Defense Grant was received and will be used for a software upgrade.

Notice was received from NYSAC that the Senate deadline is approaching for final Bill introductions with regard to Home Rule extensions. Ms. St. Hilaire said they are encouraging everyone to contact their Senators.

Ms. St. Hilaire noted that the Operations Committee Meeting scheduled for May 9th has only a few items on the agenda and will take a total of ten minutes to complete. She said she feels it is not a good use of anyone’s time and asked if Mr. Peck would consider combining the meeting with the Services Committee Meeting on May 16th. Mr. Peck agreed. Mr. MacKinnon moved to postpone the Operations Committee Meeting to May 16th, beginning at 5:30 p.m., seconded by Mr. Arquiett, and carried with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. MacKinnon said he will tour the Department of Social Services at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, May 4th. He said anyone interested in joining him is welcome.
Mr. Parker thanked Mr. Hassett for his update. He said while the Racquette River has received a lot of attention, other rivers have been impacted as well. He said he would like to extend Mr. Bunstone’s prayer to those living along the other rivers as well.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Mr. Peck reported that the copies of the IDA Annual Reports, which they are required to file, were on the desks of the Legislators, along with the minutes from the last meeting.

Mr. Morrill reported that the Space Committee will meet tomorrow, May 3rd, to discuss available space at the Human Services Center.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Mr. Morrill moved to go into Executive Session at 8:23 p.m. for appointments and negotiations, seconded by Mr. Paquin, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney). Mr. Paquin moved to return to Open Session at 8:50 p.m., seconded by Mr. Morrill, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

APPOINTMENTS

Mr. Bunstone moved to appoint the following individual to the Office for the Aging Advisory Council, seconded by Mr. Morrill and Mr. Paquin, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Frank G. Carter 317 Jeffers Road, DeKalb 13630 (No Term Limit)

Mr. Morrill moved to appoint the following individuals to the Region 6, Open Space Committee, seconded by Mr. Parker and Mr. Bunstone, and carried by a voice vote eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney). (No set term limit)

Walter H. Paul 946 Racquette River Road, South Colton 13687 (Replacing Laura Perry)
Scott Sutherland, 287 CR 29, Canton 13617 (Replacing Alex MacKinnon)

Mr. Morrill moved to appoint the following individual to the Development Authority of the North Country, seconded by Mr. Parker and Mr. Bunstone, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Sallie A. Brothers 144 River Road, Norfolk 13667 (Replacing Pat Turbett) (Term expires 12/31/2014)

Mr. Morrill moved to appoint the following individuals to the Recreational Trails Advisory Board, seconded by Mr. Parker and Mr. Bunstone, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Schyler J. Shea 5254 State Highway 56, Colton 13625 (Term expires 4/30/2012)
Henry (Hank) Ford 113 Stowe Bay Road, Colton 13625 (Term expires 4/30/2014)
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Mr. Morrill moved to appoint the following individual to the Region 6, Fish and Wildlife Management Board, seconded by Mr. Parker and Mr. Bunstone, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Walter H. Paul 946 Racquette River Road, South Colton 13687 (Replacing Larry Kring) (Term expires 12/31/2015)

Mr. Morrill moved to reappoint the following individuals to the Fire Advisory Board, seconded by Mr. Parker and Mr. Bunstone, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney). (Terms expire 2/28/2014)

Jeff Hammond 654 County Route 14 Rensselaer Falls 13680
Ronald Streeter 511 County Route 49, Winthrop 13697
Joseph Finnegan PO Box 101, Madrid 13660
Craig LaPlante PO Box 556, South Colton 13687
Kit Smith 613 Jay Street, Ogdensburg 13669

Mr. Morrill moved to appoint the following individual to the Industrial Development Agency (IDA), seconded by Mr. Parker and Mr. Bunstone, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

Don Peck 140 Clinton Street, Gouverneur 13642 (Legislative Representative Term concurrent with BOL 12/31/2014)

Chair Brothers announced that David Katz, Russell, has been nominated as Chair of the Environmental Management Council and the Board of Legislators must formally approve that nomination. Mr. Morrill moved to approve David Katz Chair of the Environmental Management Council, seconded by Mr. Paquin, and carried by a voice vote with eleven (11) yes votes and four (4) Legislators absent (Burns, Lightfoot, Putman, and Putney).

CHAIR’S APPOINTMENTS

There were no appointments by the Chair.

Mr. Acres said there were four local hockey teams that competed at the National level and asked if the Board should acknowledge them with a resolution. Chair Brothers said that practice was discontinued because of the number of resolutions that were brought forward. Following discussion, she suggested that it would be a good idea for someone to propose a resolution setting the policy on how these types of events could be recognized.

Mr. Arquiett said the Economic Enhancement Committee adopted a resolution in support of the rehabilitation of the Ogdensburg-Prescott International Bridge. Mr. Peck noted that the IDA did as well. Mr. Akins said he will bring a resolution to the Services Committee Meeting for the Board’s consideration.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Brothers adjourned the May Board Meeting at 8:58 p.m., as there was no further business.