

MINUTES
Herkimer County Legislature
Fourth Quarter – Fourth Day
Wednesday, November 15, 2023
7:00 p.m.

Public Hearing

The Public Hearing on Introductory Local Law F for 2023 was called to order at 6:15 p.m. by Legislator Kurt J. Ackerman, Member of the Ways & Means Committee. The Clerk read the notice of the meeting. Legislator Ackerman then asked if there was anyone wishing to speak on the local law. There were no requests to speak and the hearing was declared closed at 6:16 p.m.

Brittney R. Viscomi, Clerk
Herkimer County Legislature

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that there has been presented to the County Legislature of the County of Herkimer, State of New York, on October 25, 2023, Introductory Local Law F for the year 2023 entitled: “A LOCAL LAW INCREASING THE SALARIES OF SOME ELECTED COUNTY OFFICERS AND COUNTY OFFICERS APPOINTED FOR A FIXED TERM DURING THEIR TERM OF OFFICE.”

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that the County Legislature of the County of Herkimer will hold a public hearing on the aforesaid proposed Local Law, to be conducted by the Committee on Ways and Means, in the Legislative Chambers at the County Office Building, Herkimer, New York, on the 15th day of November, 2023 at 6:15 p.m. at which time all persons interested will be heard.

Dated: November 6, 2023.

By Order of the Herkimer County Legislature

Public Hearing

The Public Hearing on the Assessment Roll for the Herkimer County Sewer District to be used in the year 2024 was called to order at 6:17 p.m. by Mark Gaworecki, Chairman of the Natural Resources Committee. The Clerk read the notice of the hearing. Legislator Gaworecki asked if anyone wished to speak at the hearing. There were no requests to speak, and the hearing was declared closed at 6:18 p.m.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF ASSESSMENT ROLL AND PUBLIC HEARING ON ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR THE HERKIMER COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT TO BE USED IN THE YEAR 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the assessment roll for the Herkimer County Sewer District for the year beginning January 1, 2024 has been completed and filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Herkimer County Legislature at the County Office Building in Herkimer, New York, where it is available for inspection by any interested persons during office hours.

FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County Legislature of the County of Herkimer will hold a public hearing on the said assessment roll to hear and consider any objections which may be made to the Assessment Roll at the Herkimer County Legislative Chambers in the County Office Building in the Village of Herkimer, New York, on the 15th day of November, 2023 at 6:17 p.m.

Dated: November 6, 2023.

The Regular Session of the Herkimer County Legislature was called to order by Chairman Vincent J. Bono at 7:03 p.m.

Chairman Bono called on Legislators Elect Cynthia Bennett and Michael Bick, to lead the Legislature in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Bono called for a moment of silence in recognition of all veterans, past and present.

Roll Call: Quorum present, the following answering the roll:

Present: Malta, Gaworecki, Schrader, Hollum, Johnson, Stephens, Keeler, Manno, Swartz, Bono, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Russell, Weakley (15).

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).

Pursuant to Rule 8 of the Rules of the County Legislature, Chairman Bono asked if there were any objections or corrections to the minutes of October 25, 2023. There were none, and the Chairman ordered them approved.

Pursuant to Rule 11, Chairman Bono opened the floor for public comment. 1) Scott Flansburg, Herkimer – NYS Basketball Hall of Fame.

Chairman Bono stated that the communications received by the Legislature and the committees to which they were referred were as listed on the agenda, and asked if any member of the Legislature requested mention of any particular communication. There were no requests.

No. 450 – A communication was received from the New York State Department of State advising of Filing of Local Law No. 7 for 2023. Filed.

No. 451 – A communication was received from the New York State Department of State advising of Filing of Local Law No. 8 for 2023. Filed.

No. 452 – A communication was received from the Solid Waste Authority submitting proposed 2024 Budget. Filed.

No. 453 – A communication was received from the New York State Department of Transportation notifying of culvert replacement project. Filed.

No. 454 – A communication was received from the Herkimer County Soil & Water Conservation District advising of monthly meeting. Filed.

No. 455 – A communication was received from the Herkimer County IDA submitting notice of project inducement. Filed.

No. 456 – A communication was received from the Herkimer County IDA submitting notice of project inducement. Filed.

No. 457 – A communication was received from the Director of Employment & Training requesting discussion on payroll. Referred to the Committee on County Planning & Development and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 458 – A communication was received from the Highway Superintendent requesting purchase of large equipment. Referred to the Committee on Highways.

No. 459 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting authorization for preparation of tentative copies of budget. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 460 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting creation of projects, accounts, and budget amendment in connection with Healthy Families Grant in Public Health. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 461 – A communication was received from the Personnel Officer requesting amendment to Salary Schedule No. 3 in the Sewer District. Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 462 – A communication was received from the County Treasurer submitting Apportionment of Mortgage Tax. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 463 – A communication was received from the County Clerk submitting Semi-Annual Mortgage Tax Report. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 464 – A communication was received from the Probation Director requesting acceptance of grant. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 465 – A communication was received from the Sheriff requesting renewal of contract with Trane. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management, the Committee on County Properties, and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 466 – A communication was received from the Commissioner of Social Services requesting contract for substance abuse counseling services and a contract for provision of substance abuse testing services. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 467 – A communication was received from the Commissioner of Social Services requesting approval of contracts in connection with the Flexible Funds for Family Services Plan. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 468 – A communication was received from the Commissioner of Social Services requesting contract for supervised visitation services. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 469 – A communication was received from the Commissioner of Social Services requesting agreement with HealthNet. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 470 – A communication was received from the Commissioner of Social Services requesting contract with Catholic Charities for Residential Domestic Violence Services Agreement. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 471 – A communication was received from the Commissioner of Social Services requesting agreement for two full time Preventive Services Workers. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 472 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting budget amendment and creation of project for SICG Grant in Emergency Services. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 473 – A communication was received from the Director of Emergency Services requesting acceptance of PSAP Grant. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 474 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting transfer of funds in Public Health. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 475 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting budget amendment in connection with funding from the Office of Community Renewal. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 476 – A communication was received from the Highway Superintendent requesting agreement with NYS DOT for bridge replacement project. Referred to the Committee on Highways.

No. 477 – A communication was received from the Highway Superintendent requesting project on Peckville Road. Referred to the Committee on Highways.

No. 478 – A communication was received from the County Treasurer requesting advance of funds to the County Road Fund. Referred to the Committee on Highways and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 479 – A communication was received from the Director of Public Health requesting contracts in connection with System of Care Grant. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 480 – A communication was received from the Sewer District submitting Resolution for laboratory services contract. Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 481 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting renewal of insurance coverages for Herkimer County for 2024. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 482 – A communication was received from the Personnel Officer requesting authorization to execute contract with Benefit Resource, Inc. for administration of a Health Reimbursement Account Plan. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 483 – A communication was received from the County Treasurer requesting amendment to Resolution No. 328 of 2023 in connection with cancelled taxes. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 484 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting transfer of funds in connection with purchase of speed signs in STOP-DWI. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 485 – A communication was received from Delaware River Solar submitting letter regarding solar project. Filed.

No. 486 – A communication was received from the Personnel Officer requesting a contract for health insurance stop-loss coverage. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 487 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting amendment to Resolution No. 320 of 2023. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 488 – A communication was received from the County Administrator requesting to establish the Part Time Salary Schedule for the year 2024. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 489 – A communication was received from Michael Edwards requesting to form a Land Bank. Referred to the Committee on Administration/Veterans' Affairs and the Committee on Ways & Means.

Pursuant to Rule 6, Chairman Bono then proceeded with Reports of Standing Committees. Legislator Gaworecki, Chairman of the County Properties Committee gave an update of the current Herkimer County building projects; Legislator Campione, Chairman of the Highways Committee gave an update on the Highway projects completed; Legislator Hollum, Chairman of the Administration/Veterans' Affairs Committee gave an update that elections are over and congratulated the candidates; Legislator Russell, Chairman of the Ways & Means Committee gave an update that the tentative budget is complete and there will be around a 1% increase.

Chairman Bono welcomed the new Legislators in attendance.

Chairman Bono dispensed with the regular session to welcome the students in attendance who are participating in the Cornell Cooperative Extension Government Intern Program and asked them to introduce themselves and the school districts they represent.

On motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Johnson, Resolution No. 346 – Resolution No. 347 were handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).

Consent Agenda:

346 WAYS & MEANS: Authorizing preparation of tentative copies of budget

347 WAYS & MEANS: Accepting tentative budget and fixing time and place for public hearing



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 346

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PREPARATION OF TENTATIVE COPIES OF BUDGET

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

RESOLVED, that the Budget Officer of the County of Herkimer prepare up to seventy-five (75) copies of the tentative budget for the County Legislature; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Committee on Ways and Means of this Legislature is hereby designated as the Committee to review the tentative budget pursuant to the provisions of Section 357 of the County Law of the State of New York.

Dated: November 15, 2023.



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 347

REPORT AND RESOLUTION ACCEPTING TENTATIVE BUDGET AND FIXING TIME AND PLACE FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, your Committee on Ways and Means, which was the Committee designated to review the tentative budget for the year 2024 pursuant to the provisions of Section 357 of the County Law, respectfully reports that there was transmitted to the Chairman of said Committee by the Clerk, a copy of the tentative budget; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature of the County of Herkimer accepts the tentative budget for the year 2024 as filed, and the Clerk of the Legislature shall cause a notice to be published stating the time and place and purpose of a public hearing on the tentative budget as filed; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that such public hearing shall be held in the Legislative Chambers of the County Office Building in the Village of Herkimer, County of Herkimer, State of New York, on the 13th day of December, 2023 at 6:15 p.m., pursuant to the provisions of Section 359 of the County Law.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

The Chairman continued with the Regular Agenda.

On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Schrader, Report and Resolution No. 348 sponsored by the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means approving purchase in STOP-DWI and transferring funds was handed up; discussion was held; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 348

REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE IN STOP-DWI AND TRANSFERRING FUNDS

**Sponsored by: Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 12, 2023, Michael Edwards, STOP-DWI Coordinator, has requested the funds to cover 45% of the costs for EVOIS speed signs not covered by the grant, which equates to \$5,598; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 27, 2023, Sheri A. Ferdula, Budget Officer/ Purchasing Agent has requested a transfer of funds to accommodate the purchase as follows:

\$5,598 From: A1989A.46000, ARPA, Miscellaneous Expense
 To: A3315.25000, Special Traffic Program, Other Equipment.

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the above described purchase and transfer of funds is approved; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, and STOP-DWI Coordinator.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Report and Resolution No. 349 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means amending Resolution No. 328 of 2023 relating to cancelled taxes and rejected taxes was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15). Against: None. Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 349

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 328 OF 2023 RELATING TO CANCELLED TAXES AND REJECTED TAXES

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 328 of 2023 adopted the amounts of cancelled taxes and rejected taxes as of September 27, 2023; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 28, 2023 from the County Treasurer, this Legislature is advised that a parcel was omitted unintentionally; and

WHEREAS, your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred the reports of the County Treasurer, with account attached thereto, showing the amounts of cancelled taxes and rejected taxes as of September 28, 2023 which should be charged back to the respective towns, municipalities and districts set forth on said account, does respectfully report that we have examined the same, inquired into the subject matter thereof, and offer the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the following amounts be charged to the respective towns, municipalities and districts as set forth on said account and that the portion of said cancelled taxes and rejected taxes be included in the various towns' tax levies for the coming year as follows:

<u>TOWN</u>	<u>CANCELLED TAXES</u>	<u>REJECTED TAXES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>TOWN PORTION FOR LEVY</u>
City of Little Falls	246.41		246.41	0.00
Herkimer – Village *NEW*	3.95		3.95	2.05
Ilion – Village	43.96		43.96	41.86
Totals	294.32		294.32	43.91

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, County Property Agent, and Director of Real Property Tax Services.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, Report and Resolution No. 350 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means concerning services under Health Reimbursement Account was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 350

REPORT AND RESOLUTION CONCERNING SERVICES UNDER HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT ACCOUNT PLAN

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 20, 2023, Steven R. Billings, Personnel Officer, advises that it is the recommendation of your Committee that a contract for the period commencing January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, be entered into with Benefit Resource, Inc. for administration of a Health Reimbursement Account Plan under Internal Revenue Code Section 105(h); and

WHEREAS, the Health Reimbursement Account is available to county employees who opt for health insurance under the Excellus-Healthy Choices Plan and can be used to reimburse a portion of employees' out-of-pocket medical expenses; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that a contract be entered into with Benefit Resource, Inc., 245 Kenneth Drive, Rochester, NY 14623-4277, for January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 to provide services in the area of administration of a Health Reimbursement Account Plan under Internal Revenue Code Section 105(h), at a cost of \$4.00 per month per participant, with an annual compliance administration fee of \$395.00, with the terms and conditions of said contract to be subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to execute said contract on behalf of the County of Herkimer; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Personnel Officer, and Benefit Resource, Inc.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Donley, Report and Resolution No. 351 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing insurance coverages was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 351

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING INSURANCE COVERAGES

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, this Legislature is informed by communication from Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, dated November 2, 2023, of a request that certain policies for insurance coverages be approved for the year beginning December 9, 2023 through December 9, 2024, that an overall increase in premiums is noted, and that the totals for each Agency will not exceed the amount listed; and

WHEREAS, sufficient monies are available to cover said expense; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that policies of insurance beginning December 9, 2023, are authorized by this Legislature as follows:

NYMIR
c/o Mang/NBT Insurance Agency
56 North Main Street
Gloversville, NY 12078

<u>COVERAGE</u>	<u>2024</u> <u>PREMIUM</u>
Property	\$ 90,859.00
Boiler & Machinery	\$ 17,139.00
General Liability	\$122,487.00
OCP	\$ 275.00
Auto	\$ 84,766.00
Public Officials Liability	\$ 29,473.00
Law Enforcement Liability	\$ 46,607.00
Inland Marine	\$ 31,586.00
Healthcare Gen. & Professional Liability	\$ 58,590.00
Excess Catastrophe Liability	\$ 59,584.00
Excess Employers Liability	\$ 7,104.00
Fire Fee	\$ 313.00
Motor Vehicle Fee	\$ 1,220.00
Crime Insurance	\$ 6,457.00
Cyber	\$ 31,478.31
NYMIR Total-	\$587,938.31

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature be and he hereby is, authorized to execute any documents on behalf of the County of Herkimer in order to purchase said insurance coverages; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, and Mang/NBT Insurance Agency.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Keeler, Report and Resolution No. 352 sponsored by the Committee on Highways authorizing implementation and funding in the first instance of 100% of the Federal aid and State Marchiselli Program aid eligible costs, of a transportation federal-aid project was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).

Abstain: Gaworecki (1).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 352

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING IMPLEMENTATION AND FUNDING IN THE FIRST INSTANCE OF 100% OF THE FEDERAL AID AND STATE MARCHISELLI PROGRAM AID ELIGIBLE COSTS, OF A TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL-AID PROJECT

Sponsored by: Committee on Highways

WHEREAS, a Project for the Replacement of the Peckville Road, CR148 Bridge over Gillette Creek (BIN 3307770), Town of Manheim, Herkimer County, PIN 2754.92.121 (“the Project”), Project No. 431 is eligible for funding under the Title 23 U.S. Code, as amended, that calls for the apportionment of the costs of such program to be borne at the ratio of 80% Federal funds and 20% non-federal funds; and

WHEREAS, the County of Herkimer desires to advance the Project by making a commitment of 100% of the non-federal share of the costs of the design and ROW phases of the Project; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Legislature hereby approves the above-subject project; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Legislature hereby authorizes the County of Herkimer to pay in the first instance 100% of the federal and non-federal share of the cost of the Project; or portions thereof; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the sum of \$400,000 has been appropriated in Resolution No. 353 of 2023 from the County Road Fund and made available to cover the cost of participation in the above phases of the project; 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 Herkimer County Legislature shall convene as soon

as possible to appropriate said excess amount immediately upon the notification by the department thereof; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature of the County of Herkimer be and is hereby authorized to execute all necessary agreements, and the Herkimer County Superintendent of Highways is hereby authorized to execute all necessary certifications or reimbursement requests for Federal Aid and/or Marchiselli Aid on behalf of the County of Herkimer 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 and state aid eligible project costs and all project costs within 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; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Auditor, Budget Officer, and County Highway Superintendent.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Donley, Report and Resolution No. 353 sponsored by the Committee on Highways approving project under Article 6, Section 116 of the Highway Law was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 353

REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPROVING PROJECT UNDER ARTICLE 6, SECTION 116 OF THE HIGHWAY LAW

Sponsored by: Committee on Highways

WHEREAS, your Committee on Highways, to which was referred a letter from Mark Nagele, County Superintendent of Highways, dated October 18, 2023, submitting three copies each of statement under Article 6 of the Highway Law designating work to be done with County Road Fund monies during the year 2023/2024, respectfully reports that we have examined said statements contained in said communication from and signed by the County Superintendent of Highways, recommend its adoption, and offer the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the statements under Article 6 of the Highway Law which designates work to be done with County Road Fund monies be, and hereby are, approved by the County Legislature of the County of Herkimer for the following project involved in the Capital Construction Program, to be funded as listed:

PROJECT NO.	ROAD/LOCATION	TYPE OF PROJECT	ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST
431	Peckville Rd CR148 over Gillette Creek BIN 3307770 PIN 2754.92.121	Engineering & Design Services	\$400,000.00

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this project will be funded through Federal Aid, Marchiselli, and CHIPS; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Auditor, Budget Officer, and County Highway Superintendent.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Keeler, Report and Resolution No. 354 sponsored by the Committee on Highways and the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing advance of funds to the County Road Fund was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 354

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVANCE OF FUNDS TO THE COUNTY ROAD FUND

**Sponsored by: Committee on Highways
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 23, 2023, Kimberlee Enea, Herkimer County Treasurer, has advised that New York State has changed the procedure by which they process reimbursement for the CHIPS, Pave-NY and Extreme Winter Recovery (EWR) projects back to the County Highway Department, and further requests advance of funds as needed from the General Fund to the County Road Fund, with General Fund reimbursement being made as funds are received from New York State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Treasurer be, and she hereby is, authorized to advance up to \$4,000,000 as needed, from A200-ADK, General Fund to D200, County Road Fund; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that any funds advanced shall be repaid to the General Fund before accounts are closed for the fiscal year; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, and County Highway Superintendent.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Manno, Report and Resolution No. 355 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing contracts in connection with System of Care Grant in Public Health was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 355

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS IN CONNECTION WITH SYSTEM OF CARE GRANT IN PUBLIC HEALTH

**Sponsored by: Committee on Human Resources
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, Public Health received a System of Care Grant which runs from September 30, 2023 through September 29, 2027 and it is necessary to enter into agreements in order to fulfill the requirements and goals of the grant; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 30, 2023 from Christina Cain, Director of Public Health, she has requested to enter into the following contracts:

1. **ICAN** – Steve Bulger, 310 Main St., Utica, NY 13501
 - \$453,949.00 for the following positions and services: Project Director, Family Services Coordinator, Support Coordinator, Counselor, Outreach Coordinator, Supervisor, SPIN Services, Administration, Office Space, Survey Monkey license
2. **Catholic Charities of Herkimer County** - Maureen Petrie, 61 West St., Ilion, NY 13357
 - \$73,055.00 for one full-time Youth Engagement Specialist, as well as supervision, supplies, training, youth activities, and administration
3. **Cornell Cooperative Extension of Oneida County, Child Care Council** - Mary Beth McEwen, Executive Director, 121 Second Street, Oriskany, NY 13424
 - \$65,547.00 for the services of a full time Subject Educator, as well as supervision,

- administration, training, and curricula
4. **The Neighborhood Center** – Sandra Soroka, 624 Elizabeth St., Utica, NY 13501
 - \$29,865 for the services of a Licensed Social Worker, a Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner, and expanded MCAT services
 5. **Upstate Caring Partners/Community Health and Behavioral Services** – Geno DeCondo, 125 Business Park Dr., Utica, NY 13502
 - \$31,647 for the services of a licensed mental health clinician at a 35% level of effort
 6. **Cuda Counseling** – Andre Cuda, 435 North Prospect St., Herkimer, NY 13350
 - \$86,150.00 for the services of 4 part-time Master’s Level Licensed Mental Health Clinicians, as well as training and certification in Teacher Child Interaction Therapy (TCIT) and Parent Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT) and supplies
 7. **Realist Evaluation, Inc.** – Dr. Mansoor Kazi, 501 Casale Court, Troy, NY 12180
 - \$115,800 for the services of Dr. Mansoor Kazi for up to 1000 hours to perform the SAMHSA required evaluation of the System of Care grant project, to include facilitating data collection protocols, data analysis and reports, recommendations for improving the process, and facilitating an evaluation committee

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the above contracts are approved contingent upon County Attorney approval, and that the Chairman is authorized to execute said contracts; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Director of Public Health, Commissioner of Social Services, Integrated County Planner, and the above listed agencies.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Hollum, seconded by Mr. Manno, Report and Resolution No. 356 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means accepting grant, creating accounts, creating project, and amending budget for Healthy Families Program was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 356

REPORT AND RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GRANT, CREATING ACCOUNTS, CREATING PROJECT, AND AMENDING BUDGET FOR HEALTHY FAMILIES PROGRAM

**Sponsored by: Committee on Human Resources
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 23, 2023, Christina Cain, Director of Public Health, has requested renewal of the Healthy Families New York State Office of Children and Family Services Grant, which provides home visit services to pregnant women and their families, before and after delivery, to improve the health, development and wellness of infants, and has also requested authorization for the Chairman of the Legislature to sign said grant by electronic signature; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 23, 2023, from Sheri A. Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, this Legislature is advised that it will be necessary to create a project, create accounts, and amend the 2023 Herkimer County Budget in connection with the receipt of said grant in the amount of \$786,490 for the period of September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2024; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to complete by electronic signature a contract with the New York State Office of Children and Family Services to receive the 2023-24 Healthy Families Grant for Herkimer County in the amount of \$786,490 for the period of September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2024; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the accounts and project are created and the Herkimer County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Revenue Account: Project PH13-17

A4189H-3401, Healthy Families	From:	\$0
	To:	\$786,490

Expense Account: Project PH13-17

A4189H.10000-001, Healthy Families, Salaries,	From:	\$0
	To:	\$419,500
A4189H.22000, Healthy Families, Computer Equipment	From:	\$0
	To:	\$10,000
A4189H.41000, Healthy Families, Supplies	From:	\$0
	To:	\$17,000
A4189H.42100, Healthy Families, Telephone	From:	\$0
	To:	\$2,000
A4189H.44000, Healthy Families, Contracted Services	From:	\$0
	To:	\$28,500
A4189H.44000-370, Healthy Families, Copier	From:	\$0
	To:	\$1,000
A4189H.44000-521, Healthy Families, Rent	From:	\$0
	To:	\$21,000
A4189H.45000-645, Healthy Families, IS	From:	\$0
	To:	\$10,000
A4189H.46000, Healthy Families, Miscellaneous Expense	From:	\$0
	To:	\$30,000
A4189H.46000-704, Healthy Families, Dues	From:	\$0
	To:	\$4,000
A4189H.46100, Healthy Families, Mileage	From:	\$0

A4189H.46100-767, Healthy Families, Training	To;	\$14,000
	From:	\$0
A4189H.81000, Healthy Families, Retirement	To;	\$7,000
	From:	\$0
A4189H.83000, Healthy Families, Social Security	To:	\$59,911
	From:	\$0
A4189H.83500, Healthy Families, Medicare	To:	\$26,009
	From:	\$0
A4189H.84000, Healthy Families, Workers Comp	To:	\$6,083
	From:	\$0
A4189H.86000, Healthy Families, Health Insurance	To:	\$10,487
	From:	\$0
and, be it further	To:	\$120,000

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, and Director of Public Health.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Weakley, Report and Resolution No. 357 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing transfer of funds in 2023 budget was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 357

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN 2023 BUDGET

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways & Means

WHEREAS, your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred a communication from Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer, dated October 27, 2023, submitting request for a transfer of funds in the 2023 budget, reports that we have examined said communication, inquired into the subject matters thereof, and recommend that said transfer be made and offer the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Treasurer be, and she hereby is, authorized and directed to transfer the following sum from and to the following accounts:

\$25,000 From: A6100.40000, Medicaid, Contractual

To: A4042.46000, Rabies, Miscellaneous Expense

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Auditor, Treasurer, Budget Officer, and Director of Public Health.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Swartz, Report and Resolution No. 358 sponsored by the Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means adopting assessment roll of Herkimer County Sewer District was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Schrader, Hollum, Johnson, Stephens, Keeler, Manno, Swartz, Bono, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Russell, Weakley (15).

Against: None. Absent: Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 358

REPORT AND RESOLUTION ADOPTING ASSESSMENT ROLL OF HERKIMER COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT

**Sponsored by: Committee on Natural Resources
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, the Herkimer County Sewer District has prepared and submitted an assessment roll pursuant to Section 271 of the County Law; and

WHEREAS, the Herkimer County Budget Officer has transmitted the said assessment roll with the tentative budget of the Herkimer County Sewer District for the year 2024 to the Clerk of the Herkimer County Legislature; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 317 adopted on October 25, 2023, the County Legislature of the County of Herkimer has provided for a public hearing on the said Sewer District Assessment Roll for November 15, 2023; and

WHEREAS, said public hearing has now been held pursuant to said notice; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED:

1. That the Herkimer County Legislature hereby affirms and adopts the Assessment Roll to be used in the year 2024 as submitted by the Herkimer County Sewer District pursuant to Section 271 of the County Law;

2. That there shall be, and hereby is, levied and assessed the sum apportioned to each such lot or parcel of land within the boundaries of said Herkimer County Sewer District, at the time and in the manner provided by law for the levy of state, county and town taxes;

3. That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer and Herkimer County Sewer District.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

Chairman Bono dispensed with the regular session to and asked the County Attorney to give a brief description of the difference between a voice vote and a roll call vote.

On motion of Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Report and Resolution No. 359 sponsored by the Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means awarding contract for laboratory services for the Herkimer County Sewer District was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 359

REPORT AND RESOLUTON AWARDING CONTRACT FOR LABORATORY SERVICES FOR THE HERKIMER COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT

**Sponsored by: Committee on Natural Resources
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 19, 2023, this Legislature is advised that by action on October 18, 2023, the Herkimer County Sewer District Board adopted a Resolution awarding a contract to Life Science Laboratories of East Syracuse, New York, in the amount of \$28,260.00, which met the minimum specifications with the lowest price, and said Resolution has been forwarded to the Herkimer County Legislature for approval prior to becoming effective; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that a contract for the provision of laboratory services for the Herkimer County Sewer District be awarded to Life Science Laboratories, 5854 Butternut Drive, East Syracuse, NY 13057, in the amount of \$28,260.00; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Herkimer County Sewer District, and Life Science Laboratories.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Manno, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Report and Resolution No. 360 sponsored by the Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means amending Salary Schedule No. III in the Sewer District was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Schrader, Hollum, Johnson, Stephens, Keeler, Manno, Swartz, Bono, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Russell, Weakley (15).

Against: None. Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 360

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING SALARY SCHEDULE NO. III IN THE SEWER DISTRICT

**Sponsored by: Committee on Natural Resources
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 18, 2023, Steven R. Billings, Personnel Officer, your Committees have been advised that Salary Schedule No. III should be amended to add the position of Industrial Pretreatment Laboratory Technician at a 2023 base pay rate of \$43,975 and delete the position of Industrial Pretreatment Laboratory Technician Trainee; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Salary Schedule No. III be amended to add a position of Industrial Pretreatment Laboratory Technician at a 2023 base pay rate of \$43,975 and delete the position of Industrial Pretreatment Laboratory Technician Trainee, effective October 10, 2023; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Personnel Officer, and Herkimer County Sewer District.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Russell, Report and Resolution No. 361 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means amending budget in connection with receipt of economic development assistance funding from the Office of Community Renewal was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 361

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING BUDGET IN CONNECTION WITH RECEIPT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE FUNDING FROM THE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY RENEWAL

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 24, 2023 from Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, this Legislature is advised that it is necessary to amend the 2023 Budget to reflect receipt of economic development assistance funding from the Office of Community Renewal on behalf of Herkimer County to support a Microenterprise Program in the amount of \$300,000; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the 2023 Herkimer County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

REVENUE

A6420.4789C, IDA, NYS CDBG, Fed Aid

From: \$0

To: \$300,000

A6420.40000, IDA, Contractual Expense

From: \$1,960,500

To: \$2,260,500

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, and Budget Officer.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Donley, Report and Resolution No. 362 sponsored by the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means accepting SICG Target Grand funding, authorizing e-signature, creating project number, and amending 2023 budget was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 362

REPORT AND RESOLUTION ACCEPTING SICG TARGET GRANT FUNDING, AUTHORIZING E-SIGNATURE, CREATING PROJECT NUMBER, AND AMENDING 2023 BUDGET

**Sponsored by: Committee on Public Safety/Emergency Management
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 26, 2023, John J. Raymond, Director of Emergency Services has advised of the receipt of the State Interoperable Communications Grant (SICG) for FY23 in the amount of \$670,415.00, for the period of January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 27, 2023 from Sheri A. Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, this Legislature is advised that it is necessary to amend the 2023 budget and create a new project, and further advises that said funds will be advanced by the County, with reimbursement from the grant; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the above described grant is hereby accepted, a project number be created, and that the 2023 budget be amended as follows:

Revenue:

H3097, Gen. Govt. Capital Projects	From: \$0
	To: \$670,415
H3021.25000, Public Safety, Other Equip, Proj 19-8.	From: \$0
	To: \$470,415
H3021.44000, Public Safety, Contracted Services Proj 19-8	From: \$0
	To: \$200,000

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature be authorized to e-sign the grant document; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, and Director of Emergency Services.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Malta, Report and Resolution No. 363 sponsored by the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means accepting grant funding and authorizing e-signature in Emergency Services was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 363

REPORT AND RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GRANT FUNDING AND AUTHORIZING E-SIGNATURE IN EMERGENCY SERVICES

**Sponsored by: Committee on Public Safety/Emergency Management
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 26, 2023, John J. Raymond, Director of Emergency Services has advised of a 2023 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Grant in the amount of \$199,901.00, with the letter further requesting the Chairman be authorized to e-sign said grant; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the above grant funding be accepted and the Chairman of the Legislature be authorized to e-sign the grant document; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, and Director of Emergency Services.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Schrader, seconded by Mr. Hollum, Report and Resolution No. 364 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing renewal of agreement for provision of screening services to Department of Social Services was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 364

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT FOR PROVISION OF SCREENING SERVICES TO DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

**Sponsored by: Committee on Human Resources
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 24, 2023, Timothy Seymour, Commissioner of Social Services, has requested authorization to enter into an agreement with Buffalo Beacon Center Corporation dba Beacon Center, Inc., 3354 Sheridan Drive, Amherst, NY 14226, for the provision of all services for, and administration of, drug and alcohol/substance abuse screening/testing for the Herkimer County Department of Social Services; and

WHEREAS, the agreement would run from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, with the current menu of testing option, attached as Appendix A; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature and the Commissioner of Social Services be and hereby are authorized to renew the agreement for the above period of time, with Buffalo Beacon Center Corporation dba Beacon Center, Inc., 3354 Sheridan Drive, Amherst, NY 14226, for the provision of all services for, and administration of, drug and alcohol/substance abuse screening/testing for the Herkimer County Department of Social Services; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is further authorized to enter into renewals of said agreement, after the expiration of the current agreement, upon the same or more favorable terms and conditions; with the final form of said agreement to be subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Commissioner of Social Services, and Buffalo Beacon Center Corporation dba Beacon Center, Inc.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mr. Donley, Report and Resolution No. 365 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing contract in the Department of Social Services was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 365

**REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT IN THE DEPARTMENT
OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

**Sponsored by: Committee on Human Resources
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 289 of 2021, authorized the Chairman of the Legislature to execute a contract with Buffalo Beacon Center Corporation dba Beacon Center, Inc. for the provision of mandated Credential Alcohol Substance Abuse Counseling (CASAC) services; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 24, 2023 from Timothy Seymour, Commissioner of Social Services, this Legislature is advised of a request that the Chairman be authorized to renew and execute an agreement with Buffalo Beacon Center Corporation dba Beacon Center, Inc., 3354 Sheridan Drive, Amherst, NY 14226 for the provision of CASAC Services, for a period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, not to exceed \$19,405, and January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025 not to exceed \$19,405; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to execute the above contract with Buffalo Beacon Center Corporation dba Beacon Center, Inc. for the provision of CASAC Services, for a period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, not to exceed \$19,405, and January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025 not to exceed \$19,405; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Commissioner of Social Services, and Buffalo Beacon Center Corporation dba Beacon Center, Inc.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, Report and Resolution No. 366 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing contracts in connection with Flexible Funds for Family Services Plan in the Department of Social Services was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 366

**REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS IN CONNECTION
WITH FLEXIBLE FUNDS FOR FAMILY SERVICES PLAN IN THE DEPARTMENT
OF SOCIAL SERVICES**

**Sponsored by: Committee on Human Resources
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 24, 2023 from Timothy Seymour, Commissioner of Social Services, this Legislature is advised that the State of New York has approved Herkimer County's Flexible Funds for Family Services Plan for 2023-24; and

WHEREAS, Herkimer County will receive federally allocated grant funding in connection with the implementation of the Flexible Funds for Family Services Plan, and in addition, capped Title XX and open-ended child welfare funding remain in place for the period; and

WHEREAS, said letter further requests that contracts be entered into with the following agencies for the implementation of the aforesaid programs; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to execute contracts with the following agencies in connection with the Herkimer County Department of Social Services Flexible Funds for Family Services Plan:

1. **Center for Family Life and Recovery**, 502 Court Street, Suite 401, Utica, NY 13502 not to exceed the amount of \$39,338 for management and coordination services to ensure clients with alcohol and/or drug abuse issues receive and follow through with services they need to overcome barriers to self-sufficiency;
2. **Catholic Charities of Herkimer County**, 61 West Street, Ilion, NY 13357 in the amount of \$20,000 to screen and provide assessment of clients who may have domestic violence issues as a barrier to self-sufficiency or receipt of child support;
3. **Legal Aid Society of Mid-New York**, 120 Bleecker Street, Utica, NY 13501 to assist TANF and Safety Net clients in the appeal process, who have been denied Social Security Disability or Supplemental Security Income benefits. Said contract not to exceed \$12,000;
4. **Resource Center for Independent Living, Inc.**, 131 Genesee Street, P.O. Box 210, Utica, NY 13503 to work with clients who have medical exemptions, or limited exemptions, to bridge the gap between vocational services and disability support services to achieve employment. Said contract not to exceed \$53,275;
5. **Center for Family Life and Recovery**, 502 Court Street, Suite 401, Utica, NY 13502 to provide preventive services to the Family Support/Persons in Need of Supervision Unit (PINS). Said contract not to exceed \$334,000;

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature is hereby authorized to execute contracts with the following agencies under Title XX funding:

1. **Catholic Charities of Herkimer County**, 61 West Street, Ilion, NY 13357 in the amount of \$48,500 to provide non-residential services to eligible clients and their families who are victims of domestic violence;
2. **ICAN**, 310 Main Street, Utica, NY 13501 to provide voluntary and court-ordered parenting/nurturing skills classes for parents in various stages of child welfare services, said contract not to exceed \$27,250 annually; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Commissioner of Social Services, and the above listed agencies.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Stephens, Report and Resolution No. 367 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing contract with Catholic Charities for the provision of Supervised Visitation Services in the Department of Social Services was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 367

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT WITH CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOR THE PROVISION OF SUPERVISED VISITATION SERVICES IN DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

**Sponsored by: Committee on Human Resources
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 24, 2023, Timothy Seymour, Commissioner of Social Services, has requested an agreement with Catholic Charities of Herkimer County for the provision of Supervised Visitation Services, with the period of performance and financial terms as follows: not to exceed \$84,060.00 for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, the unit cost per visit shall be \$162, for up to 520 visits annually; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Catholic Charities of Herkimer County, for the provision of Supervised Visitation Services with the period of performance and financial terms as follows: not to exceed \$84,060.00 for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, the unit cost per visit shall be \$162, for up to 520 visits annually; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is further authorized to enter into an annual renewal of said contract after the expiration of the current agreement, upon the same or more favorable terms and conditions; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Commissioner of Social Services, and Catholic Charities.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Report and Resolution No. 368 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing grant performance agreement with Herkimer County HealthNet, Inc. was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 368

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GRANT PERFORMANCE AGREEMENT WITH HERKIMER COUNTY HEALTHNET, INC.

**Sponsored by: Committee on Human Resources
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 24, 2023, Timothy Seymour, Commissioner of Social Services, has requested that Herkimer County be authorized to act as a pass through entity for the Herkimer County Rural HealthNet Development Program Award, with the term of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, said letter further advises that the HealthNet Development Program Award for 2024 has been confirmed in the amount of \$103,154; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County acts as a pass-through entity for these grant funds, with HealthNet being responsible for satisfactory completion of all phases of all funded projects and activities, including completion of all necessary paperwork and providing all appropriate documentation for the grant awards; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to execute a Grant Performance Agreement with Herkimer County HealthNet, Inc., in connection with pass-through funding from the New York State Department of Health Rural Network Development Program, with the terms and conditions of said agreement to be subject to the approval of the Herkimer County Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Commissioner of Social Services, and Herkimer County HealthNet, Inc.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Manno, seconded by Mr. Schrader, Report and Resolution No. 369 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing contract in the Department of Social Services for Residential Domestic Violence Program was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 369

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT IN DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES FOR RESIDENTIAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM

**Sponsored by: Committee on Human Resources
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 24, 2023 from Timothy J. Seymour, Commissioner of Social Services, this Legislature is advised of a request to enter into a contract with Catholic Charities of Herkimer County to provide services of Residential Domestic Violence Services; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this authorizes an agreement between Catholic Charities of Herkimer County, 61 West Street, Ilion, New York, and the Herkimer County Department of Social Services, for the provision of Residential Domestic Violence Services, for the period beginning January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024, at a per diem cost of \$107.73 established by OCFS; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to execute said contract on behalf of the County of Herkimer, with said contract subject to the approval of the Herkimer County Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is further authorized to enter into annual renewals of said agreement, after the expiration of the current agreement, upon the same or more favorable terms and conditions; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Commissioner of Social Services, and Catholic Charities of Herkimer County.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, Report and Resolution No. 370 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing renewal of contract between the Department of Social Services and Integrated Community Alternatives Network (ICAN) for two Preventive Services Workers was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 370

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING RENEWAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES AND INTEGRATED COMMUNITY ALTERNATIVES NETWORK (ICAN) FOR TWO PREVENTIVE SERVICES WORKERS

**Sponsored by: Committee on Human Resources
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 24, 2023, from Timothy Seymour, Commissioner of Social Services, he has requested that the Chairman of the Legislature be authorized to renew and execute an agreement between the Department of Social Services and Integrated Community Alternatives Network (ICAN), 310 Main Street, Utica, NY for the provision of two (2) Preventive Services Workers at a cost not to exceed \$155,300 (\$77,650 per position), from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024, and at a cost not to exceed \$155,300 (\$77,650 per position) from January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to execute the above described agreement between the Department of Social Services and ICAN for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 and January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is further authorized to enter into annual renewals of said agreement, after the expiration of the current agreement, upon the same or more favorable terms and conditions; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Commissioner of Social Services, and ICAN.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Keeler, Report and Resolution No. 371 sponsored by the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management, the Committee on County Properties, and the Committee on Ways & Means approving service agreement in the Sheriff's Department was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 371

REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPROVING SERVICE AGREEMENT IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

**Sponsored by: Committee on Public Safety/Emergency Management
Committee on County Properties
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated October 10, 2023, Scott F. Scherer, Sheriff, has requested approval to enter into a service agreement with Trane, to cover a scheduled number of specific service events and associated labor performed during Trane normal business hours as outlined in the equipment coverage and services section of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, letter further advises this would cover 13 rooftop air conditioning/heating units and 1 makeup air handler at the Herkimer County Correctional Facility, at a cost of \$9,196.00 per year, for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that authorization is given to enter into a contract with Trane, 15 Technology Place, East Syracuse, NY 13057, at a cost of \$9,196.00 per year, for the period of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is further authorized to enter into annual renewals of said agreement, after the expiration of the current agreement, upon the same or more favorable terms and conditions; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Sheriff, and Trane.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Stephens, Report and Resolution No. 372 sponsored by the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means in connection with receipt of Ignition Interlock Monitoring Device Grant was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 372

REPORT AND RESOLUTION IN CONNECTION WITH RECEIPT OF IGNITION INTERLOCK MONITORING DEVICE GRANT

**Sponsored by: Committee on Public Safety/Emergency Management
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 317 adopted on December 14, 2011, and pursuant to the provisions of Leandra's Law, an Ignition Interlock Monitoring Program was established in Herkimer County through a grant received from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, with said grant being renewed by resolution each year thereafter; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 26, 2023, from Michael D. Scalise, Director of Probation, this Legislature is advised of the request for acceptance of a grant from the State Division of Criminal Justice Services, for the period from October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024, in the total amount of \$6,901.00; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to execute by e-signature a contract with the New York State Division of Criminal Justices to receive an Ignition Interlock Device Monitoring Project Grant for the period from October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2024, in the total amount of \$6,901.00, with said contract to be subject to the approval of the Herkimer County Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Director of Probation, and the State Division of Criminal Justice Services.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Hollum, Report and Resolution No. 373 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means apportioning mortgage tax was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 373

REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPORTIONING MORTGAGE TAX

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred the report of the Recording Officer and County Treasurer showing the amounts received from the mortgage taxes, respectfully reports that we have examined the report containing the list of mortgages as kept by the Herkimer County Clerk, and herewith submit the following report showing the apportionment to the several towns, villages and the City in the County. Your Committee recommends that the Herkimer County Treasurer be authorized to draw warrants payable to the Supervisors of the several towns and to the City of Little Falls, and to the Treasurers of the incorporated villages in an amount apportioned as indicated on the tabulated statement recommended by the Committee herewith, and your Committee offers the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Treasurer be, and she hereby is, authorized and directed to draw warrants payable to the Supervisors of the several towns in Herkimer County and to the Treasurer of the City of Little Falls and the Treasurers of the incorporated villages in the County of Herkimer entitled to a portion thereof, in the amounts of mortgage taxes apportioned respectively, and that a certified copy of the Resolution be served by the Clerk of this Legislature on the Herkimer County Treasurer.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

APPORTIONMENT OF MORTGAGE TAX
April 1, 2023 – September 30, 2023

TOWNS	TOTAL TAX RECEIVED	TOWN SHARE	INCLUDING VILLAGES	VILLAGES SHARES
COLUMBIA	\$ 13,878.71	13,878.71		
DANUBE	2,898.08	2,898.08		
FAIRFIELD	10,939.98	10,132.27	MIDDLEVILLE	\$ 807.71
FRANKFORT	69,826.56	62,416.70	FRANKFORT	7,283.72
GERMAN FLATTS	64,175.10	40,907.75	ILION	126.14
HERKIMER	66,204.23	45,453.83	ILION	17,378.36
LITCHFIELD	8,771.80	8,771.80	MOHAWK	5,888.99
C/O LITTLE FALLS	20,441.94	20,441.94	HERKIMER	20,750.40
T/O LITTLE FALLS	6,410.99	6,410.99		
MANHEIM	40,515.35	33,568.43	DOLGEVILLE	6,946.92
NEWPORT	19,714.19	16,960.10	MIDDLEVILLE	407.05
NORWAY	5,742.37	5,742.37	NEWPORT	2,026.84
OHIO	3,754.74	3,754.74	POLAND	320.20
RUSSIA	13,076.61	12,195.25	COLD BROOK	313.11
SALISBURY	11,753.69	11,753.69	POLAND	568.25
SCHUYLER	15,865.88	15,865.88		
STARK	5,339.27	5,339.27		
WARREN	4,098.74	4,098.74		
WEBB	59,430.96	59,430.96		
WINFIELD	9,309.49	8,147.94	WEST WINFIELD	1,161.55
TOTAL	\$ 452,148.68	\$388,169.44		\$63,979.24

Herkimer County Treasurer \$619.09

On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, Report and Resolution No. 374 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means concerning stop-loss coverage for health insurance was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 374

REPORT AND RESOLUTION CONCERNING STOP-LOSS COVERAGE FOR HEALTH INSURANCE

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated November 9, 2023 from Steven R. Billings, Personnel Officer, this Legislature is advised and your Committee has determined that stop-loss insurance coverage for the County's health insurance plans for 2024 would best be provided by Excellus Health Plan, Inc.; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that a contract be entered into with Excellus Health Plan, Inc., Utica Business Park, 12 Rhoads Drive, Utica, NY 13502, for health insurance stop-loss coverage for the County of Herkimer for the period January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 at a quoted annual premium of \$30.82 per participant per month, with an annual deductible of \$275,000; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to execute said contract on behalf of the County of Herkimer; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Personnel Officer, and Excellus Health Plan, Inc.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, Resolution No. 375 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means adopting salary schedules for the year 2024 was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Schrader, Hollum, Johnson, Stephens, Keeler, Manno, Swartz, Bono, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Russell, Weakley (15).

Against: None. Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 375

RESOLUTION ADOPTING SALARY SCHEDULES FOR THE YEAR 2024

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

Your Committee on Ways and Means respectfully reports the following Salary Schedule for the year 2024:

We recommend that the County officers and employees be paid equal bi-weekly installments on Thursday, or as near thereto as holidays and other conditions permit, pursuant to the Rules and Regulations of the Herkimer County Legislature and the Herkimer County Personnel Civil Service Rules. These salary schedules reflect salaries for personnel as follows:

Salary Schedule No. 1 -	2024 Legislators and Department Heads
Salary Schedule No. 2 -	2024 Officers & Non-Union
Salary Schedule No. 3 -	2024 CSEA
Salary Schedule No. 4 -	2024 Highway
Salary Schedule No. 5 -	2024 Deputy Sheriffs

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the recommendations of the Committee on Ways and Means as set forth above be, and they hereby are adopted; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, and Personnel Officer.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Russell, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, Resolution No. 376 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means adopting Introductory Local Law F for 2023 was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Schrader, Hollum, Johnson, Stephens, Keeler, Manno, Swartz, Bono, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Russell, Weakley (15).

Against: None. Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 376

RESOLUTION ADOPTING INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW F FOR 2023

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways & Means

WHEREAS, your Committee on Ways and Means of the Herkimer County Legislature desires to report that on the 15th day of November, 2023 pursuant to Resolution No. 316, they held a public hearing on the adoption of Introductory Local Law F for 2023 entitled, "A LOCAL LAW INCREASING THE SALARIES OF SOME ELECTED COUNTY OFFICERS AND COUNTY OFFICERS APPOINTED FOR A FIXED TERM DURING THEIR TERM OF OFFICE" and that there were (no) appearances and (no) objections at the said public hearing; that your Committee advises the adoption and enactment of the said Introductory Local Law and

offers the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that Introductory Local Law F for 2023 be adopted in form attached hereto.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

INTRODUCTORY LOCAL LAW F - 2023

LOCAL LAW NO. 1 - 2024

A LOCAL LAW INCREASING THE SALARIES OF SOME ELECTED COUNTY OFFICERS AND COUNTY OFFICERS APPOINTED FOR A FIXED TERM DURING THEIR TERM OF OFFICE

BE IT ENACTED by the Herkimer County Legislature of the County of Herkimer as follows:

Section 1. The base annual salary of the County Clerk shall be the sum of Seventy Four Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Two Dollars (\$74,772).

Section 2. The base annual salary of the County Treasurer shall be the sum of Sixty Nine Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Eight Dollars (\$69,268).

Section 3. The base annual salary of the Commissioners of Elections shall be the sum of Fifty One Thousand Nine Hundred Fifty Seven Dollars (\$51,957).

Section 4. The base annual salary of the Director of Real Property Tax Services shall be the sum of Sixty Five Thousand Four Hundred Forty Nine Dollars (\$65,449).

Section 5. The base annual salary of the County Highway Superintendent shall be the sum of One Hundred Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Six Dollars (\$109,726).

Section 6. The base annual salary of the Personnel Officer shall be the sum of Eighty Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Five Dollars (\$89,785).

Section 7. The base annual salary of the Director of Public Health shall be the sum of Eighty Two Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Eight Dollars (\$82,938).

Section 8. The base annual salary of the Commissioner of Social Services shall be the sum of One Hundred Four Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Three Dollars (\$104,753).

Section 9. The salary of the county coroners shall be One Hundred Forty Three Dollars (\$143) per call.

Section 10. This Local Law shall take effect forty-five days after its adoption and shall be subject to a permissive referendum.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Schrader, Report and Resolution No. 377 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means amending Resolution No. 320 of 2023 in connection with payments for requests from American Rescue Plan funding was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 377

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 320 OF 2023 IN CONNECTION WITH PAYMENTS FOR REQUESTS FROM AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN FUNDING

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 16 of 2023 authorized \$50,000 of the County's American Rescue Plan funding to each Legislator to distribute within their districts as they see fit; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 320 of 2023 authorized the total of \$10,000 to Herkimer Pop Warner, Herkimer Little League, and Herkimer Youth Basketball; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated November 6, 2023 from Sheri A. Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, she has advised that due to reporting requirements, it will be necessary to change the distribution to one payment of \$10,000 to Herkimer Pop Warner as follows:

Herkimer Pop Warner	\$10,000	Gaworecki, Malta, Schrader
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now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that authorization is given for payment to the above recipient in the amount listed; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, and Budget Officer.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Campione, seconded by Mr. Russell, Resolution No. 378 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means adjusting wages for hourly employees was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Schrader, Hollum, Johnson, Stephens, Keeler, Manno, Swartz, Bono, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Russell, Weakley (15).

Against: None. Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 378

REPORT AND RESOLUTION ADJUSTING WAGES FOR HOURLY EMPLOYEES

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated November 13, 2023, from James W. Wallace, Jr., County Administrator, this Legislature is advised that adjustments must be made to the salaries for the year 2024 for certain employees of the County in various departments who are paid on an hourly basis; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the wages of all employees of the County of Herkimer paid pursuant to the hourly scale for graded employees be and hereby are, established for the year 2024 as follows:

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Hourly Wage 2024</u>
1	14.00
2	15.00
3	15.25
4	15.50

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the following rates are hereby established for the following positions for the year 2024:

<u>Title</u>	<u>2024 Rate</u>
Part-time Motor Vehicle License Clerk	\$15.34/hr.
Part-time Account Clerk (A4010)	\$15.32/hr.
Part-time Clerk (A3110)	\$15.47/hr.
Polling Site Auditing (Board of Elections)	\$15.00/hr.
Voting Machine Technician (Board of Elections)	\$25.00/hr.
P/T Account Clerk (A4320)	\$17.24/hr.
P/T Public Safety Telecommunicator (<5 years' experience)	\$20.00/hr.

P/T Public Safety Telecommunicator (5 or greater years' exp.)	\$22.00/hr.
Part-time Registered Professional Nurses	\$27.73/hr.
Part-time Recording Clerk (19 ½ hours/week)	\$16.00/hr.
Hearing Officer	\$15.76/hr.
Nurse Practitioner	\$54.63/hr.
Part-time Psychiatric Social Worker	\$39.00/hr.
Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner	\$75.37/hr.
LPN COVID testing	\$27.73/hr.
COVID Vaccinator	\$27.73/hr.
Account Clerk (Treasurer's Office)	\$17.24/hr.
Poll Worker (Primary and General Elections)	\$240.00/day
Poll Worker (Early Voting)	\$125.00/day
Part-time Clerk (BOE)	\$15.91/hr.
Part-time CPS Senior Caseworker	\$30.67/hr.
Part-time CPS Caseworker	\$29.53/hr.
Computer Programmer	\$35.32/hr.
Poll Worker training sessions	\$40.00/session
Aging Services Aide (Van Driver, Companion Homemaker)	\$17.00/hr.
Aging Services Aide (Meals on Wheels Driver)	\$15.00/hr.
HEAP Examiner	\$17.00/hr.
P/T Clerk (A1410)	\$16.00/hr.

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Personnel Officer, and all other department heads.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Report and Resolution No. 379 sponsored by the Committee on Administration/Veterans' Affairs and the Committee on Ways & Means concerning the establishment of the Herkimer County Land Bank Corporation and appointing board members to serve on the Herkimer County Land Bank Board of Directors was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Brezinski, Shaw (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 379

REPORT AND RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE HERKIMER COUNTY LAND BANK CORPORATION AND APPOINTING BOARD

MEMBERS TO SERVE ON THE HERKIMER COUNTY LAND BANK BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Sponsored by: Committee on Administration and Veterans Affairs
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, New York State has recognized the need to provide new tools and innovative solutions to address deteriorated, abandoned and tax-delinquent properties and the blight they inflict upon communities; and

WHEREAS, land banks allow and provide a mechanism for the re-development, repair, improvement, or in appropriate situations, deconstruction of blighted properties; and

WHEREAS, land banks have now been firmly established nationally, with a success record in helping to ameliorate the above negative impacts; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of same and in order to revitalize and strengthen local communities and economies, New York State has adopted a Land Bank Act (“Not-For-Profit” Corporation Law, Article 16); and

WHEREAS, by letter of Michael L. Edwards dated November 13, 2023, request has been made for Herkimer County to take necessary steps to form a land bank as set forth in the New York State Article 16, “Land Bank Act”; and

WHEREAS, the Herkimer County Legislature desires to create a county-wide land bank in order to efficiently and effectively address blight within Herkimer County; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Land Bank Act, it is necessary to adopt a resolution establishing the Herkimer County Land Bank Corporation (“HCLBC”) and addressing requirements relating to the structure and function of the HCLBC; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County of Herkimer hereby establishes and authorizes the creation of the Herkimer County Land Bank Corporation, as follows:

1. Name of the land bank: Herkimer County Land Bank Corporation;
2. The number of members of the Board of Directors, which shall consist of an odd number of members, shall be not less than five members nor more than 15 members.
3. The initial seven individuals to serve as members of the Board of Directors, and the length of terms they shall serve as appointed by the Chairman of the Legislature and confirmed by the County Legislature shall be as follows:
 - (a) Peter Campione, County Legislator, initial term of 2 years;
 - (b) Raymond Donley, County Legislator, initial term of 2 years;

- (c) Gregory Malta, Sr., County Legislator, initial term of 1 year;
 - (d) James W. Wallace, Jr., County Administrator, initial term of 2 years;
 - (e) Kimberlee Enea, County Treasurer, initial term of 2 years;
 - (f) Donald Dutcher, Community Member, initial term of 1 year;
 - (g) Vincent Bono, Community Member, initial term of 1 year.
4. The members of the Board of Directors shall be residents of Herkimer County. The regular terms of office of members of the board of directors shall be two (2) years, in addition to any partial term for which a member is appointed to fill a vacancy.
 5. The proposed articles of incorporation and bylaws of the HCLBC are approved for inclusion in the application for the HCLBC which is to be sent to Empire State Development.

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, County Property Agent, and County Attorney.

Dated: November 15, 2023.

Chairman Bono stated that pursuant to Rule 6(12) they would proceed with comments by Legislators. The following Legislator made a comment: Legislator Johnson and Chairman Bono.

At 7:30 p.m. on motion of Mr. Manno, seconded by Mr. Stephens, the Legislature adjourned to Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m., with a Public Hearing on the 2024 Budget at 6:15 p.m.

Brittney R. Viscomi, Clerk