

**MINUTES**  
**Herkimer County Legislature**  
**First Quarter – Third Day**  
**Wednesday, February 18, 2026**  
**7:00 p.m.**

The Regular Session of the Herkimer County Legislature was called to order by Chairman Peter J. Campione at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Campione called on Legislator Ray Donley, to lead the Legislature in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Campione 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, Wedemeyer, Brewer, Bennett, Keeler, Brezinski, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl (13).

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).

Pursuant to Rule 8 of the Rules of the County Legislature, Chairman Campione asked if there were any objections or corrections to the minutes of January 21, 2026. There were none, and the Chairman ordered them approved.

Pursuant to Rule 11, Chairman Campione opened the floor for public comment. There were no appearances.

Chairman Campione 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. Mr. Malta requested Communication No. 47 and No. 79 be read.

No. 39 – A communication was received from the Herkimer County Soil & Water Conservation District advising of monthly meeting. Filed.

No. 40 – A communication was received from the IDA submitting executed copy of Payment in Lieu of Tax Agreement. Filed.

No. 41 – A communication was received from the Solid Waste Authority submitting 2026 budget. Filed.

No. 42 – A communication was received from the NYS Department of State advising of Filing of Local Law No. 1 for 2026. Filed.

No. 43 – A communication was received from the Herkimer County Soil & Water Conservation District submitting 2025 Annual Report. Filed.

No. 44 – A communication was received from the County Auditor submitting tax corrections for the month of January 2026. Filed.

No. 45 – A communication was received from the County Auditor submitting tax refunds for the month of January 2026. Filed.

No. 46 – A communication was received from the County Auditor submitting extradition expenses. Filed.

No. 47 – A communication was received from the County Attorney submitting Notice of Claim. Filed.

No. 48 – A communication was received from the County Attorney requesting discussion of office space needs in District Attorney’s Office. Referred to the Committee on County Properties.

No. 49 – A communication was received from the Director of Emergency Services requesting renewal of annual maintenance agreement. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 50 – A communication was received from the Director of Public Health requesting Chairman to sign contracts under Res. No. 86 of 2004. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources.

No. 51 – A communication was received from the Personnel Officer submitting GASB 74 & 75 actuarial report for Fiscal Year 2025. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 52 – A communication was received from the Chairman of the Legislature submitting recommendation for Community Services Board. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources.

No. 53 – A communication was received from the Director of Probation requesting amendment to Resolution No. 373 of 2025. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 54 – A communication was received from the Personnel Officer requesting amendment to Resolution No. 373 of 2025. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 55 – A communication was received from the Veterans’ Service Agency Director requesting amendment to Resolution No. 373 of 2025. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 56 – A communication was received from the Commissioners of Elections requesting amendment to Resolution No. 373 of 2025. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 57 – A communication was received from the Personnel Officer submitting 2025 Annual Report for the Stand Alone Workers Compensation self-insurance coverage. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 58 – A communication was received from the Personnel Officer submitting 2025 Annual Report for the former Herkimer County Self-Insured Workers' Compensation Plan. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 59 – A communication was received from the Personnel Officer submitting 2025 Annual Report. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 60 – A communication was received from the Director of Community Services submitting 2025 Annual Report. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources.

No. 61 – A communication was received from the Director of the Office for the Aging submitting 2025 Annual Report. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources.

No. 62 – A communication was received from the Commissioner of Social Services submitting request from Mary Sullivan for extension of leave of absence. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 63 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting creation of accounts and budget amendment in connection with grant in Public Health. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 64 – A communication was received from the Commissioner of Social Services requesting to amend contract for update to internal budget. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 65 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting budget amendment for receipt of funding in Department of Social Services. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 66 – A communication was received from the Director of Community Services requesting to renew contract in connection with court ordered Competency Evaluations. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 67 – A communication was received from the Director of the Office for the Aging requesting to renew contract for HIICAP in Office for the Aging. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 68 – A communication was received from the Director of the Office for the Aging requesting EISEP & Unmet Need Program contract renewals. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 69 – A communication was received from the Director of the Office for the Aging requesting MOU with HealthNet. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 70 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting amendment to the State Snow Budget. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 71 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting appropriation of funds in DSS. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 72 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting amendment to Res. No. 16 approving amendment to contract with C&S Engineers, Inc. Referred to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 73 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting payment of monthly invoice and new term dates for cyber insurance. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 74 – A communication was received from the County Treasurer requesting approval to open a new bank account. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 75 – A communication was received from the Sewer District submitting resolution for annual field use leases. Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 76 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting transfers and amendments in 2025 Budget. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 77 – A communication was received from the IDA submitting Notice for PILOT Agreement Expirations. Filed.

No. 78 – A communication was received from the IDA submitting Notice for PILOT Agreement Expirations and Terminations. Filed.

No. 79 – A communication was received from the County Attorney submitting Notice of Claim. Filed.

No. 80 – A communication was received from Cornell Cooperative Extension submitting 2025 Annual Report. Filed.

No. 81 – A communication was received from Herkimer County Soil & Water Conservation District advising of monthly meeting. Filed.

No. 82 – A communication was received from the Director of Real Property Tax Services requesting discussion on the replacement of the Real Property SDG Image Mate site. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 83 – A communication was received from the Personnel Officer requesting amendment to hourly salary schedule. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 84 – A communication was received from the County Attorney requesting authorization for the Chairman to sign the Consent to the Demolition Plan of Turin Hoefler Avenue, LLC. Referred to the Committee on County Planning & Development and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 85 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting appropriation of funds in connection with IDA. Referred to the Committee on County Planning & Development and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 86 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting to award proposal to correct falling ice and ice buildup and appropriation of funds. Referred to the Committee on County Properties and the Committee on Ways & Means.

Pursuant to Rule 6, Chairman Campione then proceeded with Reports of Standing Committees. There were no reports.

On motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Malta, Resolution No. 32 – Resolution No. 40 were handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).

**Consent Agenda:**

- 32 HUMAN RES.: Adopting Annual Report of Herkimer County Mental Health Svcs.
- 33 HUMAN RES.: Adopting Annual Report of Herkimer County OFA
- 34 WAYS & MEANS: Adopting Annual Report of fees received by the Herkimer County Personnel Office
- 35 WAYS & MEANS: Adopting Annual Report of Former Herkimer County Self-Insurance Plan
- 36 WAYS & MEANS: Adopting Annual Report of Herkimer County Stand Alone Workers' Compensation Plan
- 37 WAYS & MEANS: Amending Resolution No. 373 of 2025 authorizing payment of dues for municipal officers and employees during the year 2026
- 38 WAYS & MEANS: Determining officers and employees of Herkimer County required to file financial disclosure forms
- 39 WAYS & MEANS: Granting an additional leave of absence
- 40 NAT. RESOURCES: Authorizing use of surplus grounds of the Herkimer County Sewer District by local sports organizations



**HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

No. 32

**REPORT AND RESOLUTION ADOPTING ANNUAL REPORT OF HERKIMER COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES**

**Sponsored by: Committee on Human Resources**

WHEREAS, your Committee on Human Resources, to which was referred the 2025 Annual Report of the Herkimer County Mental Health Services Department, respectfully reports

that we have examined the same, recommend the adoption of said report, and offer the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Annual Report of the Herkimer County Mental Health Services Department be approved and placed on file with the Herkimer County Legislature for the year 2025.

Dated: February 18, 2026.



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 33

### REPORT AND RESOLUTION ADOPTING ANNUAL REPORT OF THE HERKIMER COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING

**Sponsored by: Committee on Human Resources**

WHEREAS, your Committee on Human Resources, to which was referred the Annual Report of the Herkimer County Office for the Aging for the year 2025, respectfully reports that we have examined the same, recommend the adoption of said report, and offer the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Annual Report of the Herkimer County Office for the Aging Department be approved and placed on file with the Herkimer County Legislature for the year 2025.

Dated: February 18, 2026.



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 34

### REPORT AND RESOLUTION ADOPTING ANNUAL REPORT OF FEES RECEIVED BY THE HERKIMER COUNTY PERSONNEL OFFICE

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

WHEREAS, your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred the Annual Report of the fees received by the Herkimer County Personnel Office for civil service exams for fiscal year 2025, respectfully reports that we have examined the same, recommend the adoption of said report, and offer the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Annual Report of the fees received by the Herkimer County Personnel Office for civil service exams for fiscal year 2025 be approved and placed on file with

the Herkimer County Legislature.

Dated: February 18, 2026.



## **HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

No. 35

### **REPORT AND RESOLUTION ADOPTING ANNUAL REPORT OF FORMER HERKIMER COUNTY SELF-INSURANCE PLAN**

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

WHEREAS, your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred the Annual Report of the Former Herkimer County Self-Insurance Plan for the year 2025, respectfully reports that we have examined said report, inquired into the subject matter thereof, and offer the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Annual Report of the Former Herkimer County Self-Insurance Plan for the year 2025 be adopted and filed with the Herkimer County Legislature.

Dated: February 18, 2026.



## **HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

No. 36

### **REPORT AND RESOLUTION ADOPTING ANNUAL REPORT OF HERKIMER COUNTY STAND ALONE WORKERS' COMPENSATION PLAN**

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

WHEREAS, your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred the Annual Report of the Herkimer County Stand Alone Workers' Compensation Plan for the year 2025, respectfully reports that we have examined said report, inquired into the subject matter thereof, and offer the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Annual Report of the Herkimer County Stand Alone Workers' Compensation Plan for the year 2025 be adopted and filed with the Herkimer County Legislature.

Dated: February 18, 2026.



# HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 37

## REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 373 OF 2025 AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF DUES FOR MUNICIPAL OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES DURING THE YEAR 2026

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

WHEREAS, on December 10, 2025 this Legislature adopted Resolution No. 373 authorizing payment of dues for municipal officers and employees during the year 2026; and

WHEREAS, letters have been received to increase dues from several departments as follows:

|  | <u>From</u> | <u>To</u> |
|--|-------------|-----------|
| - Probation Director, NYSPOA Administrative Member               | \$15        | \$20      |
| - Probation Supervisor (2), NYSPOA (\$40/ea.)                    | \$60        | \$80      |
| - Sr. Probation Officer (2) & PO (12), NYSPOA (\$40/ea.)         | \$420       | \$560     |
| - Personnel Officer, NYS Assoc. County Personnel                 | \$100       | \$150     |
| - County Attorney, NYS Public Employer Labor Relations Assoc.    | \$230       | \$255     |
| - Veterans Service, American Legion                              | \$45        | \$100     |
| - Election Commissioners (2), NYS Election Comm. (\$75/ea.)      | \$100       | \$150     |
| - Election Commissioner Deps. (2), NYS Election Comm. (\$50/ea.) | \$40        | \$100     |

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 373 adopted on December 10, 2025, be amended for the above listed increases; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that in all other respects Resolution No. 373 of 2025 shall remain in full force and effect; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Probation Director, Personnel Officer, County Attorney, Veterans' Service Agency Director, and Commissioners of Elections.

Dated: February 18, 2026.



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 38

### **RESOLUTION DETERMINING OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF HERKIMER COUNTY REQUIRED TO FILE FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE FORMS**

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

WHEREAS, the Herkimer County Ethics Law requires this Legislature to adopt an updated list of officers and employees required to file annual financial disclosure forms; and

WHEREAS, that updated list, referred to as Schedule A, is attached; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that all officers and employees on the attached list be required to file a financial disclosure form as set forth in Local Law No. 3 for the year 1990; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Ethics Board and each officer and employee who holds a position named on Schedule A.

Dated: February 18, 2026.

**2026**  
**Schedule A**

Legislators (16)  
Chairman (1)  
County Administrator  
Clerk of the Legislature  
Deputy Clerk of the Legislature  
District Attorney  
Assistant District Attorney (5)  
Coroners (4)  
County Auditor  
Deputy County Auditor  
County Treasurer  
Deputy County Treasurer  
County Property Agent  
Budget Officer & Purchasing Agent  
Deputy Purchasing Agent  
Real Property Tax Service Director  
County Clerk/Records Management Officer  
Deputy County Clerk  
Deputy County Clerk of the DMV  
County Attorney  
Assistant County Attorney (1)  
Co. Atty. Law Clerk  
Personnel Officer/Safety Coordinator  
Sheriff  
Undersheriff  
Chief Deputy (2)  
Principal Account Clerk  
Lieutenant (2)  
Board of Elections Commissioner (2)  
Deputy Board of Elections Commissioner (2)  
Information Services Director  
Information Services Deputy Director  
STOP-DWI Coordinator  
Director of Probation  
Director of Public Health  
Director of Health Services  
Supervising Community Health Nurse (2)  
Supervisor of Children's Programs  
Clinic Supervisor  
Director of Community Services  
Administrative Officer, Mental Health  
Commissioner of Social Services  
DSS Attorney (1)  
DSS Law Clerk  
Director of Social Services  
Special Assistant to Commissioner/Personnel Staff Developer  
Director of Administrative Services (DSS)  
Head Social Welfare Examiner  
Managed Care Coordinator  
WMS Coordinator  
Director of Child Support and Employment Services  
Integrated County Planner

Social Services Employment Coordinator  
Veterans Service Agency Director  
Director of Weights and Measures  
Director of Office for the Aging  
Assistant Director of Office for the Aging  
Employment and Training Director II  
Executive Director of the Youth Bureau  
County Building Maintenance Foreperson  
Chief Plant Operator – Sewer District  
Sewer Board Chairman  
Sewer Board Commissioners (4)  
County Highway Superintendent  
Deputy Highway Superintendent  
Highway Maintenance Supervisor  
Assistant Highway Maintenance Supervisor  
Highway Senior Civil Engineer  
Principal Civil Engineer  
Director of Emergency Services  
Deputy Director of Emergency Services  
Supervising Public Safety Telecommunicator  
IDA CEO  
IDA CFO

**COMMITTEES, BOARDS AND COUNCILS:**

Governmental Policy and Liaison Committee (GP&L)  
Ethics Board  
Herkimer Co. Planning Board  
Herkimer Co. Industrial Development Agency

**HERKIMER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE:**

President  
Trustee (9)  
Dean of Students/Director of Athletics  
Provost  
Controller  
Director of Library Services  
Dean of Academic Affairs (5)  
Purchasing Agent  
Director of Campus Safety  
Director of Marketing & Communications  
Assistant Director of Facilities (2)  
Director of Information Technology



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 39

### REPORT AND RESOLUTION GRANTING AN ADDITIONAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE

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

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 370 for the year 1986, a leave with pay was granted to Mary Sullivan extending to July 1, 1988, so that she could serve in a statewide office with the Civil Service Employees' Association; and

WHEREAS, said leave with pay was extended by resolutions thereafter, most recently by Resolution No. 8 of 2025; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated January 12, 2026, Timothy Seymour, Commissioner of Social Services, has advised that by letter dated December 31, 2025 Mary Sullivan has requested said leave be extended; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that a leave of absence with pay be granted to Mary Sullivan under the terms and conditions set forth in Resolution No. 370 for the Year 1986 for the period from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, with the Civil Service Employees' Association, Inc. to furnish insurance in form and amount satisfactory to the Herkimer County Administrator to protect the County if held liable for any damages arising from act or omission by such employee during the period of such leave and with the County to be reimbursed for the total cost for the full salary and total cost for fringe benefits for said Mary Sullivan; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Personnel Officer, Commissioner of Social Services, Mary Sullivan, and the Civil Service Employees' Association, Inc. of New York State.

Dated: February 18, 2026.



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 40

### REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING USE OF SURPLUS GROUNDS OF THE HERKIMER COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT BY LOCAL SPORTS ORGANIZATIONS

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

WHEREAS, by letter dated January 27, 2026, Robin Nalaskowski, Secretary to the Sewer District Board, has requested consideration and approval of Herkimer County Sewer District Resolution HCSD-2026-01 adopted by the Sewer District Board on January 21, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Herkimer County Sewer District, by said Resolution HCSD-2026-01, authorizes use of its surplus grounds by the Central Valley Little League, or any of their successor organizations pursuant to an annual written lease agreement to be signed by the Herkimer County Sewer District Board Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice-Chair; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 229 of 1990, the Herkimer County Legislature approved a resolution of the Herkimer County Sewer District to allow use of surplus lands owned by the Sewer District for activities sponsored by the Village of Mohawk; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 118 of 1995, the Herkimer County Legislature approved Herkimer County Sewer District Resolution HCSD-91-15 allowing Mohawk Little League to make use of Sewer District property to further the concept of the Environmental Protection Agency's "multiple use" policies encouraging recreational uses pursuant to the Water Pollution Control Act Section 201(f); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Legislature approves Sewer District Resolution HCSD-2026-01 of January 21, 2026 authorizing a written lease agreement with the above designated organization, or any of their successor organizations; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that said lease with the above organization shall be on an annual basis, will allow installation of a storage shed which shall be removed at tenants' costs upon expiration of the lease term, shall designate parking areas for tenants' use, shall provide for sufficient insurance and such other terms and conditions as approved by the Herkimer County Attorney and the Herkimer County Sewer District Attorney; and, be it further

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

Dated: February 18, 2026.

The Chairman continued with the Regular Agenda.

On motion of Mr. Wedemeyer, seconded by Mr. Haehl, Report and Resolution No. 41 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing payment for cyber insurance and approving new policy term was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 41

### REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT FOR CYBER INSURANCE AND APPROVING NEW POLICY TERM

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

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 361 of 2025 authorized insurance coverages through NYMIR c/o Mang/NBT Insurance Agency beginning December 9, 2025 through December 9, 2026; and

WHEREAS, by communication dated January 29, 2026 from Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/ Purchasing Agent, this Legislature is advised that the renewal policy for cyber insurance was not renewed due to concerns over internal network security, but coverage would be provided on a monthly basis until the issue could be resolved; and

WHEREAS, said letter further advises the application has been updated and the carrier has agreed to cover the County for the period of February 18, 2026 through February 18, 2027, at the original price of \$31,478.31, and requests the approval of the new policy dates for cyber insurance as well as the payment of two monthly invoices in the amount of \$2,440, and \$2,531.50; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Legislature authorizes the new period of February 18, 2026 through February 18, 2027 for cyber insurance in the amount of \$31,478.31 and authorizes the payment of two monthly invoices in the amount of \$2,440, and \$2,531.50; 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: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Keeler, Report and Resolution No. 42 sponsored by the Committee on Education and the Committee on Ways & Means amending Resolution No. 16 approving amendment to contract with C&S Engineers, Inc. in connection with projects at HCCC was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 42

### **REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 16 APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT WITH C&S ENGINEERS, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH PROJECTS AT HCCC**

**Sponsored by: Committee on Education  
Committee on Ways & Means**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 16 of 2026 amended a contract with C&S Engineers, Inc. showing a new contract total of \$251,810 with mileage not to exceed \$19,110; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated January 29, 2026 from Sheri A. Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, this Legislature is advised that Resolution No. 16 of 2026 did not include the original contract amount of \$296,037.04, which would make the total contract amount \$566,957.04; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 16 of 2026 is amended to show a total contract amount for C&S Engineers, Inc. of \$566,957.04, with all other terms and conditions remaining the same; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, President of Herkimer County Community College, and C&S Engineers, Inc.

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Lucenti, seconded by Mr. Donley, Report and Resolution No. 43 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing appropriation of funds was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Wedemeyer, Brewer, Bennett, Keeler, Brezinski, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl (13).

Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Ackerman, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 43

### **REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS**

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

WHEREAS, your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred a communication from Sheri A. Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, dated January 29, 2026, submitting a request for appropriation of Opioid Settlement funds to satisfy a contract with Dolgeville Central School for the Sweethearts and Heroes Program, authorized by Resolution No. 392 of 2025; and

WHEREAS, Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent has advised that funds have been verified and are available for this appropriation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that an appropriation be made in the 2026 Budget as follows:

\$48,437                      From: A0000001 288906, Opioid Settlement Reserve  
   To:     A6017000 544000, Opioid Funding, Contracted Services

and, be it further

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

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mr. Donley, Report and Resolution No. 44 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means accepting funds, amending budget, and authorizing contract in Herkimer County Department of Social Services was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



**HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

No. 44

**REPORT AND RESOLUTION ACCEPTING FUNDS, AMENDING BUDGET, AND  
AUTHORIZING CONTRACT IN HERKIMER COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL  
SERVICES**

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

WHEREAS, by letter dated January 28, 2026, Tim Seymour, Commissioner of Social Services, has advised of receipt of funding appropriated in the New York State FY 2026 Budget

to support the second year of the Shelter Arrears Eviction Foreclosure Program in the amount of \$61,585, and can be claimed for expenses incurred through October 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, said letter further requests to enter into a contract with Catholic Charities, 61 West Street, Ilion, NY 13357, to perform the duties required for the program; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated January 29, 2026, from Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer, this Legislature is advised that it will be necessary to amend the 2026 Herkimer County Budget to utilize the funding; now, therefore, be it

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 2026 Herkimer County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| A6010000 436100, DSS, State Aid           | From: \$1,821,599 |
|   | To: \$1,883,184   |
| A6010000 544000, DSS, Contracted Services | From: \$77,895    |
|   | To: \$139,480     |

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: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Lucenti, seconded by Mr. Brewer, Report and Resolution No. 45 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means amending contract in Department of Social Services was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 45

### REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING CONTRACT IN DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 434 of 2024 authorized contracts in the Department of Social Services for Flexible Funds for Family Services Plan; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated January 28, 2026 from Timothy J. Seymour, Commissioner of Social Services, this Legislature is advised of a request to amend the contract with Center for Family Life and Recovery (CFLR) for an update to Schedule A (internal budget) due to the fact that the internal budget is overspent in three line items; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the contract with CFLR is hereby amended for an update to Schedule A (internal budget), with no changes to the amount of the total contract; and, be it further

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

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Malta, Report and Resolution No. 46 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means approving agreement for competency evaluations in Herkimer County Mental Health Department was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



**HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

No. 46

**REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT FOR COMPETENCY EVALUATIONS IN HERKIMER COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

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

WHEREAS, by letter dated January 26, 2026, Kristen Snyder-Branner, LCSW-R, Director of Community Services, has requested approval to enter into an agreement for evaluations as required for court ordered Competency Hearings; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Community Services has requested an agreement be entered into with Dr. Aaron Shupp to provide these services at a rate of \$139.05 per hour; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that an agreement with Dr. Aaron Shupp be entered into for evaluations as required for court ordered Competency Hearings at a rate of \$139.05 per hour for a term of three years, and will remain in effect until December 31, 2028, with terms and conditions subject to the approval of the County Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is authorized to enter into annual renewals 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, Personnel Officer and Director of Community Services.

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Haehl, Report and Resolution No. 47 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means concerning services in connection with the Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 47

### **REPORT AND RESOLUTION CONCERNING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE EXPANDED IN-HOME SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY PROGRAM**

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to resolutions previously adopted, contracts were authorized between the Herkimer County Office for the Aging and At Home Care, Inc., the Department of Social Services, Home Aide Services for Central Adirondacks (HASCA), Resource Center for Independent Living (RCIL), Consumer Directed Choices, and U.S. Care Systems for said contractors to provide services for the Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program (EISEP) and Unmet Needs Programs; and

WHEREAS, by communication dated January 23, 2026 from Kathy L. Fox, Director of the Office for the Aging, this Legislature is advised of a request to enter into renewals of the aforesaid contracts for the period of April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027, with funding at 75/25%, with the Office for the Aging to provide the local match for aide services for At Home Care, HASCA, RCIL, U.S. Care Systems, Consumer Directed Choices, and with DSS to provide the local match for their allocation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED:

1. That contracts be entered into between the Herkimer County Office for the Aging and the agencies listed to provide services for the Expanded In-Home Services for the Elderly Program (EISEP) and Unmet Needs as follows:
  - At Home Care will be contracted for aide services ; the hourly rate will be Level 1 - \$36.00 and Level 2 - \$36.50; \$136.50 RN Assessment (initial assessment, 180 day reassessment, change in condition).
  - DSS will provide case management services for up to a total amount of \$70,000 with state aid reimbursement of 75% up to \$52,500.
  - HASCA will be contracted for aide services; the hourly rate will be \$37.00.
  - RCIL will be contracted for services; the hourly rate will be \$29.00.
  - Consumer Directed Choices – will be contracted for services; the hourly rate will be \$33.00
  - U.S. Care Systems – will be contracted for services; the hourly rate will be Level 1 - \$37.00 per hour and Level 2 - \$38.00.
2. That all contracts shall state that payments are based on availability of state aid and will include a 60 day cancellation of contract clause;
3. That the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to execute said agreements on behalf of the County of Herkimer;
4. That certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Director of the Office for the Aging, Commissioner of Social Services, At Home Care, Inc., Home Aide Service of the Central Adirondacks, Resource Center for Independent Living, U.S. Care System, and Consumer Directed Choices.

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Brewer, seconded by Ms. Bennett, Report and Resolution No. 48 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing MOU in the Office for the Aging was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 48

### REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MOU IN THE OFFICE FOR THE AGING

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

WHEREAS, by letter dated January 27, 2026, Kathy L. Fox, Director of the Office for the Aging, has requested to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Herkimer County HealthNet to assist in completing the deliverables for the Age Friendly Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, letter further advises that the amount of the contract will be \$15,000, with the funding coming from Unmet Needs funding with a grant period of April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this Legislature hereby authorizes a Memorandum of Understanding between the Herkimer County Office for the Aging and Herkimer County HealthNet to assist in completing the deliverables for the Age Friendly Action Plan, in the amount of \$15,000; and, be it further

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

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Lucenti, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Report and Resolution No. 49 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing contract renewal for HIICAP funding for the Herkimer County Office for the Aging was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 49

### **REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONTRACT RENEWAL FOR HIICAP FUNDING FOR THE HERKIMER COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING**

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

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 76 of 2007, authorization to submit an application for the implementation of the HIICAP (Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program) through the Herkimer County Office for the Aging was approved; and

WHEREAS, said Program is funded 100%, with no local match, has been administered on a subcontract basis by Catholic Charities of Herkimer County, and has been renewed each year thereafter; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated January 23, 2026, from Kathy L. Fox, Director of the Office for the Aging, this Legislature is advised of a request to renew the contract with Catholic

Charities of Herkimer County for administration of the Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program (HIICAP) for the program year commencing April 1, 2026 through March 31, 2027, with funding currently anticipated at \$39,000; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to execute said contract on behalf of the County of Herkimer as follows:

- HIICAP (Health Insurance Information, Counseling & Assistance Program) for the 4/1/2026 – 3/31/2026 program year; funding is currently anticipated at \$39,000.00;
- Program shall be subcontracted to Catholic Charities of Herkimer County with said contract amount not to be more than the level of funding that is made available to the County of Herkimer;

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, Director of the Office for the Aging, and Catholic Charities.

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Report and Resolution No. 50 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing transfers of funds and budget amendments in 2025 Budget was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 50

### **REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS AND BUDGET AMENDMENTS IN 2025 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/Purchasing Agent, dated February 3, 2026, submitting requests for transfers of funds and budget amendments in the 2025 budget, reports that we have examined said communication, inquired into the subject matters thereof, and recommend that said transfers and budget amendments 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 sums from and to the following accounts and make the following budget amendments in the 2025 Budget:

|           |   |
|-----------|---|
| \$2,607   | From: A1165000 510000, DA, Salaries<br>To: A1320000 510000, Auditor, Salaries                                     |
| \$14,934  | From: A1330000 546300, Property Tax, Postage<br>To: A1325000 510000, Treasurer, Salaries                          |
| \$7,566   | From: A1330000 546620, Property Tax, Miscellaneous<br>To: A1325000 510000, Treasurer, Salaries                    |
| \$849     | From: A1330000 546620, Property Tax, Miscellaneous<br>To: A1330000 510000, Property Tax, Salaries                 |
| \$6,669   | From: A1165000 510000, DA Salaries<br>To: A1355000 510000, Real Property, Salaries                                |
| \$500     | From: A1420000 510000, County Attorney, Salaries<br>To: A1420000 544000, County Attorney, Contracted Services     |
| \$2,245   | From: A1450000 510000, BOE, Salaries<br>To: A1450000 544000, BOE, Contracted Services                             |
| \$1,869   | From: A1165000 510000, DA Salaries<br>To: A1620000 510000, Buildings, Salaries                                    |
| \$20,462  | From: A1165000 510000, DA Salaries<br>To: A1620000 542000, Buildings, Utilities                                   |
| \$48,000  | From: A3021000 544000, Public Safety, Contracted Services<br>To: A3021000 510002, Public Safety, Overtime         |
| \$155,608 | From: A3140000 510000, Probation, Salaries<br>To: A3021000 510002, Public Safety, Overtime                        |
| \$40,000  | From: A3110000 510000, Sheriff, Salaries<br>To: A3112000 510000, SRO/SPO, Salaries                                |
| \$7,265   | From: A3111000 510100, Navigation, Temporary Employees<br>To: A3112000 510000 SRO/SPO, Salaries                   |
| \$17,899  | From: A3140000 510000, Probation, Salaries<br>To: A3141000 510000, Alt to Incarceration, Salaries                 |
| \$30,000  | From: A3140000 510000, Probation, Salaries<br>To: A3150000 510002, Jail, Overtime                                 |
| \$36,610  | From: A1680000 510000, IS, Salaries<br>To: A3150000 510002, Jail, Overtime  |
| \$23,751  | From: A4010000 546000, Public Health, Miscellaneous Services<br>To: A4010000 510000, Public Health, Salaries      |
| \$11,000  | From: A6141000 510100, HEAP, Temporary Employees<br>To: A6141000 544000, HEAP, Contracted Services                |
| \$5,400   | From: A6510000 510000, Veteran's, Salaries<br>To: A6510000 542100, Veteran's, Phone                               |
| \$17,714  | From: A7310000 544000, Youth Bureau, Contacted Services<br>To: A7320000 510100, Summer Youth, Temporary Employees |
| \$5,440   | From: A6775000 510000, CSE, Salaries<br>To: A6786000 510000, NY Connects, Salaries                                |
| \$19,348  | From: A6775000 510000, CSE, Salaries<br>To: A6783000 510000, Aging III, Salaries                                  |

|             |   |
|-------------|---|
| \$50,000    | From: A6775000 510000, CSE Salaries                     |
|             | To: A6774000 510100, Aging CI, Temporary Employees      |
| \$48,702    | From: A1420000 510000, County Attorney, Salaries        |
|             | To: A6774000 510100, Aging CI, Temporary Employees      |
| \$15,252    | From: D5010000 510000, Highway Admin, Salaries          |
|             | To: D5020000 510000, Engineering, Salaries              |
| \$85,210    | From: D5110000 541000, Maintenance Division, Supplies   |
|             | To: D5110000 510000, Maintenance Division, Salaries     |
| \$36,352    | From: D5110000 581000, Maintenance Division, Retirement |
|             | To: DM51000 510000, Road Maintenance, Salaries          |
| \$2,400,000 | From: A1985000 411100, Sales Tax                        |
|             | To: A1985000 411101, Sales Tax Jail                     |
| \$9,841.31  | To: CD629200 586000, Adult, Health Insurance ET03-25    |
|             | From: CD629200 581000, Adult, Retirement ET03-25        |

Amendments to the 2025 Budget should be as follows:

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| A0000001 599901, General Gov't, Interfund Transfers | From: \$2,400,000  |
|   | To: \$2,744,366    |
| A1985000 411101, Sales Tax Jail                     | From: \$2,400,000  |
|   | To: \$2,744,366    |
| A1985000 411100, Sales Tax                          | From: \$39,875,942 |
|   | To: \$40,403,739   |
| A1985000 544000, Sales Tax Contacted Services       | From: \$11,898,816 |
|   | To: \$12,426,613   |

and, be it further

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

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Haehl, seconded by Mr. Wedemeyer, Report and Resolution No. 51 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means amending 2025 Budget was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 51

### REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING 2025 BUDGET

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated January 27, 2026 from Sheri A. Ferdula, Budget Officer, your Committee is advised that a budget amendment is necessary in the 2025 Budget in the Highway Department State Snow Budget due to an increase in expenses; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the 2025 Herkimer County Budget is amended as follows:

Revenue:

|                 |                                       |                      |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| D0000001 423020 | County Road Fund, Snow Removal, State | From: \$2,512,507.11 |
|                 |                                       | To: \$2,716,747.06   |

Expense:

|                 |                                       |                      |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| D0000001 545144 | County Road Fund, Contracted Services | From: \$2,462,507.11 |
|                 |                                       | To: \$2,666,747.06   |

and, be it further

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

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mr. Brewer, Report and Resolution No. 52 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means accepting funding, creating accounts, and amending budget in the Public Health Department was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 52

### REPORT AND RESOLUTION ACCEPTING FUNDING, CREATING ACCOUNTS, AND AMENDING BUDGET IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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

WHEREAS, by communication dated January 5, 2026, Christina Cain, Director of Public Health, has advised that Public Health has been awarded a grant from the New York State Department of Health for “Children and Youth with Special Healthcare Needs” in the amount of \$326,968 for the period of October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2030; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated January 29, 2026 from Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer, this Legislature is advised of a request to amend the 2026 Budget and create accounts in order to utilize the funding; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the 2026 Herkimer County Budget is hereby amended for year one as follows:

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| A4021000 430890, Children & Youth SN, State Aid           | \$91,004 |
| A4021000 510000, Children & Youth SN, Salaries            | \$30,303 |
| A4021000 541000, Children & Youth SN, Supplies            | \$5,000  |
| A4021000 544000, Children & Youth SN, Contracted Services | \$25,086 |
| A4021000 546100, Children & Youth SN, Mileage and Travel  | \$10,000 |
| A4021000 581000, Children & Youth SN, Retirement          | \$5,615  |
| A4021000 586000, Children & Youth SN, Health Insurance    | \$15,000 |

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the above described funding is accepted for the period October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2030; and, be it further

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

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Brewer, seconded by Mr. Keeler, Report and Resolution No. 53 sponsored by the Committee on County Properties and the Committee on Ways & Means accepting proposal and appropriating funds was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Wedemeyer, Brewer, Bennett, Keeler, Brezinski, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl (13).

Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 53

### REPORT AND RESOLUTION ACCEPTING PROPOSAL AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS

**Sponsored by: Committee on County Properties  
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated January 27, 2026 from Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, she has advised that proposals have been received from Pulver Roofing

Company, Inc., 1418 Erie Street, Utica, NY 13502, to correct the issue of falling ice and ice buildup at the 108 Court Street building by installing snow guards at a cost of \$24,000 and adding a heat trace seam at a cost of \$21,000; and

WHEREAS, said letter further advises there is currently a remaining balance of ARPA funds in the amount of \$9,672 in the roof replacement project, which can be allocated towards this project; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that a proposal be awarded to Pulver Roofing Company, Inc. in the amount of \$45,000 to correct the issue of falling ice and ice buildup at the 108 Court Street building; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of Herkimer County approves an appropriation of funds for the remaining balance as follows:

\$35,328 From: A0000001 288905, County Building Reserve  
To: H1620000 544000, County Buildings, Capital, Contracted Services 16 5

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Maintenance Supervisor, and Pulver Roofing Company, Inc.

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Haehl, Report and Resolution No. 54 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means amending Resolution No. 357 of 2025 was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Wedemeyer, Brewer, Bennett, Keeler, Brezinski, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl (13).

Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 54

### REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 357 OF 2025

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

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 357 of 2025 adopted the hourly salary schedule; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated February 6, 2026, Steven Billings, Personnel Officer, requests to amend the hourly salary schedule to add the title of Student Aide (Youth Bureau) at

an hourly pay rate of \$15.00 and the title of Student Aide (College Corps) at an hourly pay rate of \$17.00; and

WHEREAS, your Committee has taken this matter under advisement and recommends said change; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the hourly salary schedule be amended to add the title of Student Aide (Youth Bureau) at an hourly pay rate of \$15.00 and the title of Student Aide (College Corps) at an hourly pay rate of \$17.00; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Personnel Officer, Executive Director of the Youth Bureau, and Director of Employment & Training.

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Report and Resolution No. 55 sponsored by the Committee on Administration/Veterans' Affairs and the Committee on Ways & Means imposing hotel or motel taxes was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Wedemeyer, Brewer, Bennett, Keeler, Brezinski, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione (12).

Against: Haehl (1).

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 55

### REPORT AND RESOLUTION IMPOSING HOTEL OR MOTEL TAXES

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

WHEREAS, counties and other municipalities in the State of New York have been authorized by the New York State Legislature to enact local laws imposing hotel or motel taxes which are imposed upon persons occupying rooms in hotels or motels and short term rentals in such counties; and

WHEREAS, the County of Herkimer cannot impose such a tax without receiving authorization of the New York State Legislature; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of this Legislature that the imposition of such a tax would be in the best interest of the County of Herkimer since it would enable the County and local governments to promote tourism, economic development and other directly related and supporting activities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this Legislature requests the Assemblymen and State Senators elected to represent Herkimer County in the New York State Legislature to cause to be introduced in the Assembly and in the Senate a bill to allow the County of Herkimer to impose a hotel and motel tax at the rate of 5% of the per diem rental rate for each hotel and motel room, including short term rentals (i.e. VRBO and Airbnb); and, be it further

RESOLVED, that such tax shall not be applicable to a permanent resident with “permanent resident” being defined as a person occupying any room or rooms in a hotel, motel or other short term rental for at least thirty days; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that such local law shall provide that any tax imposed, shall be paid by the person liable, therefore to the owner of the hotel or motel room occupied or to the person entitled to be paid the rent or charged for the hotel or motel room occupied for, in an account of the County of Herkimer and that such owner or person entitled to be paid the rent or charged shall be liable for the collection and payment of the tax; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that said authorizing legislation shall also contain such other necessary and customary provisions to provide for the collection and distribution of said tax proceeds as typically described in New York State Tax Law and any regulations promulgated thereunder; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that said authorizing legislation and local law shall provide that revenues resulting from the imposition of tax authorized by the resolution shall be paid into the treasury of the County of Herkimer and thereafter may be allocated at the discretion of the board of Legislators of the County of Herkimer; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that net collections shall thereafter be allocated by the Herkimer County Legislature for the promotion of tourism development, economic development, and also other directly related and supporting activities by a not-for-profit and/or a public benefit corporation under contract with Herkimer County; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that promotion of tourism and conventions shall be defined as “retaining of staff for the purpose of placing and purchasing of advertising promoting Herkimer County and engaging in such other efforts as are designed to induce tourist and convention attraction to Herkimer County”; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that our representatives in the State Legislature make every effort to secure prompt passage of said legislation to the end so Herkimer County may receive the benefits of said legislation at the earliest date possible; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to Assemblyman Brian Miller, Assemblyman Robert Smullen, Senator Mark Walczyk, and Senator Joseph A. Griffo.

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Ms. Bennett, Report and Resolution No. 56 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means approving opening a bank account was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 56

### REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPROVING OPENING A BANK ACCOUNT

**Sponsored by: Committee on Ways & Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated January 29, 2026, Kimberlee A. Enea, County Treasurer, has requested to open a new bank account for the custody of cannabis sales tax payments; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Treasurer is authorized to open a new bank account for the custody of cannabis sales tax payments; and, be it further

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

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Lucenti, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, Report and Resolution No. 57 sponsored by the Committee on County Planning & Development and the Committee on Ways & Means appropriating funds in connection with the Industrial Development Agency was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Wedemeyer, Brewer, Bennett, Keeler, Brezinski, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl (13).

Against: None.                      Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 57

### REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING FUNDS IN CONNECTION WITH THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

**Sponsored by: Committee on County Planning & Development**



RESOLVED, that the County of Herkimer is authorized to submit necessary documentation in order to complete registration in the New York State SFS Vendor Portal System; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature is authorized to complete and execute the Grants Management Registration Form for Statewide Financial System (SFS) Vendors, the Substitute Form W-9, Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification, together with any other forms required to complete the above registration; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Herkimer County Industrial Development Agency, and Strategic Development Specialists.

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Brewer, seconded by Ms. Bennett, Resolution No. 59 sponsored by the Committee on County Planning & Development and the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing the execution of consent to commencement of demolition plan at Turin Hoefler Avenue, LLC property in Village of Ilion was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 59

### **RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF CONSENT TO COMMENCEMENT OF DEMOLITION PLAN AT TURIN HOEFLER AVENUE, LLC PROPERTY IN VILLAGE OF ILION**

**Sponsored by: Committee on County Planning & Development  
Committee on Ways & Means**

WHEREAS, the Herkimer County IDA and Turin Hoefler Avenue, LLC have executed and delivered a mortgage to the County of Herkimer granting to the County a first mortgage lien on, and security interest in, certain Land related to the Project at the former Remington Arms site (the "Mortgaged Property"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Mortgage and Bond Documents, a phased Demolition Plan is proposed for the former Remington Arms site; and

WHEREAS, Turin Hoefler Avenue, LLC wishes to proceed with demolitions in order to prepare the former Remington Arms site for development; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Herkimer County Legislature be authorized to execute the Consent of Herkimer County, New York on behalf of the County to enable commencement of demolition activities; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Herkimer County Attorney, Chief Executive Officer of the IDA, and Turin Hoefler Avenue, LLC.

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Keeler, seconded by Mr. Brewer, Resolution No. 60 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means approving standard work day and retirement reporting for elected and appointed officials was handed up; discussion was held; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 60

### RESOLUTION APPROVING STANDARD WORK DAY AND RETIREMENT REPORTING FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Legislature hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials to report days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the Clerk of this body:

| Title:                   | Standard Work Day: (Hrs/day)<br>Min. 6 hrs<br>Max. 8 hrs | Name: (First and Last) | Social Security Number: (Last 4 digits) | NYSLRS ID: | Tier 1 (Check only if member is Tier 1) | Current Term Begin & End Dates: (mm/dd/yy-mm/dd/yy) | Record of Activities Result | Not Submitted: (Check only if official did not submit their Record of Activities) |
|--------------------------|--|------------------------|---|------------|---|---|-----------------------------|---|
| <b>Elected Officials</b> |  |                        |   |            |   |   |                             |   |
| Legislator               | 6  | Mark Gaworecki         | ████                                    | ██████████ |   | 01/01/26-12/31/26                                   | 7.42                        |   |
| Legislator               | 6  | Robert J. Schrader     | ████                                    | ██████████ |   | 01/01/26-12/31/26                                   | 18.86                       |   |
| Legislator               | 6  | John Brewer            | ████                                    | ██████████ |   | 01/01/26-12/31/26                                   | 2.48                        |   |

|                                  |   |                    |      |          |  |                   |       |  |
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| Legislator                       | 6 | Cynthia A. Bennett | ████ | ████████ |  | 01/01/26-12/31/26 | 1.82  |  |
| Legislator                       | 6 | Peter J. Campione  | ████ | ████████ |  | 01/01/26-12/31/26 | 4.27  |  |
| Legislator                       | 6 | Donald Haehl       | ████ | ████████ |  | 01/01/26-12/31/26 | 4.84  |  |
| Legislator                       | 6 | William Weakley    | ████ | ████████ |  | 01/01/26-12/31/26 | 8.37  |  |
| <b>Appointed Officials</b>       |   |                    |      |          |  |                   |       |  |
| Commissioner, Board of Elections | 7 | Teresa Robotham    | ████ | ████████ |  | 1/21/25-12/31/26  | 21.36 |  |
| Assistant County Atty.           | 7 | Erin P. Gall       | ████ | ████████ |  | 01/01/26-12/31/26 | 24.28 |  |

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Personnel Officer, and Principal Account Clerk in the Treasurer’s Office.

Dated: February 18, 2026.

On motion of Mr. Keeler, seconded by Mr. Donley, Resolution No. 61 sponsored by the Committee on Administration/Veterans’ Affairs and the Committee on Ways & Means requesting legislation authorizing exemption from the residency requirements for the office of Herkimer County Administrator was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (13).                      Against: None.

Absent: Schrader, Bick, Wares, Weakley (4).



## HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 61

### RESOLUTION REQUESTING LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING AN EXEMPTION FROM THE RESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE OFFICE OF HERKIMER COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

**Sponsored by: Committee on Administration/Veterans’ Affairs  
Committee on Ways & Means**

WHEREAS, the position of County Administrator for Herkimer County will become vacant; and

WHEREAS, legislation amending New York State Law to allow a person holding the office of County Administrator for Herkimer County to reside in Herkimer County or an adjoining county in New York State is required to enable such candidate to be appointed to such position; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Legislature hereby requests that its Assemblymen and Senators introduce in the New York State Legislature bills which would expand the residency requirements for the position of Herkimer County Administrator to permit the position to be filled with an employee who resides in Herkimer County or an adjoining county in the State of New York; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to Assemblyman Brian Miller, Assemblyman Robert Smullen, Senator Mark Walczyk, and Senator Joseph A. Griffo.

Dated: February 18, 2026.

Chairman Campione stated that pursuant to Rule 6(12) they would proceed with comments by Legislators. There were no comments.

At 7:16 p.m. on motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Lucenti, the Legislature adjourned to March 18, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.

Brittney R. Viscomi, Clerk