

WHEREAS: Dale N. Weston has served several terms on the Soil & Water Board; and

WHEREAS: Dale N. Weston has served as Chair of the Tioga County Legislature from January 2, 2007 through December 31, 2013; and

WHEREAS: Dale N. Weston has been extremely dedicated and loyal in the performance of his duties and responsibilities over the past nine years to the Tioga County Legislature and more importantly the past seven years as Chair of the Tioga County Legislature. He has earned the respect of his colleagues and peers throughout Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: Dale N. Weston stepped down as Chair of the Tioga County Legislature on December 31, 2013; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature, on its own behalf, as well as on behalf of the citizens of Tioga County, express sincere gratitude to Dale N. Weston for his nine years of dedicated and loyal service to the residents of Tioga County and in particular the last seven years as Tioga County Legislative Chair; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a certified copy be presented to this outstanding Legislator, Dale N. Weston.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Unanimously Yes – Legislators Case, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standing, Sullivan, and Weston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

Legislator Weston spoke. "Thank you. I guess I could argue to the negative on many of the points that she made there, but I will say it has been a real hoot. Thank you very much."

Legislator Huttleston read and presented the following recognition resolution to Teresa Ryder of the Department of Social Services.

There was a unanimous motion for the adoption of the following recognition resolution, seconded unanimously.

REFERRED TO: HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 14-14 *RECOGNIZE TERESA L. RYDER'S
34 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES*

WHEREAS: Teresa L. Ryder began her career with the Tioga County Department of Social Services as a Social Welfare Examiner on August 8, 1980, and was promoted to Senior Social Welfare Examiner on April 16, 1984, and promoted to her current title of Welfare Management Systems Coordinator on February 10, 1986; and

WHEREAS: Teresa L. Ryder has been a dedicated and loyal employee in the performance of her duties as the Welfare Management Systems Coordinator; and

WHEREAS: Teresa L. Ryder has shown the highest levels of integrity, trust, loyalty and competence in the performance of her duties; and

WHEREAS: Teresa L. Ryder will retire on January 31, 2014; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature, on its own behalf, as well as on behalf of the citizens of Tioga County, express sincere gratitude to Teresa L. Ryder for her thirty-four years of dedicated and loyal service to the Tioga County Department of Social Services and its most vulnerable citizens; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a certified copy be presented to this loyal, dedicated and outstanding employee, Teresa L. Ryder.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Unanimously Yes – Legislators Case, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standing, Sullivan, and Weston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

Legislator Huttleston spoke. "We go back a long ways and one thing about Teresa was she was always bubbly and always very personable, which I think is really a good trait plus Shawn has a tough void to fill right now. I appreciate what you and everybody in the Department of Social Services, and

you certainly have been a good employee and we are going to miss you. I hope you do not have to go through some bad times. As you know, she went through a bad time when the flood came. She got hit pretty hard and on top of it she still did her job. Thank you and I appreciate that."

Shawn Yetter, Commissioner of Social Services spoke. "Thank you Mr. Huttleston for recognizing Teresa. There is a great turnout here for Teresa and there is obviously a reason for that. There are a lot of retirees here today, which is absolutely great to see and all of you retirees who are back, you should know that this is pretty much what the size of our staff is down to now. If any of you are looking for volunteer opportunities, you are welcome to come back.

"We are just having to many of these high profile retirements at the Department lately and they do not get much more high profile for us than Teresa Ryder. With over 33 years of service and 27 years as our Welfare Management Systems Coordinator, Teresa has earned the respect of our staff, administration, other county staff, and State information technology staff. There is not much that she has not seen over the past many years and she takes with her an unimaginable amount of knowledge and history of how our systems operate. Teresa has witnessed hundreds of system changes and throwing one more at you before you leave, and has transitioned through them all seamlessly, smoothly taking the agency along with her.

"Her duties range from high level conversations with State IT officials to crawling on her hands and knees under employees desks to assist with technical difficulties. There is not anything that she will not do. We were hoping that did not include retire, but here we are. Along with her high level of technical expertise, Teresa has always maintained a great sense of humor and love for her job. Her explanation of specific computer situations often times comes with her spot on skills as an impressionist of the person that she was just dealing with and if any staff out there think that you were exempt from this, you are not. She can do you all.

"There are also so many specific instances of when Teresa rose to the highest levels of dedication and skill, but I cannot possibly name them all. Two that have to be mentioned are how flawlessly she handled our move into the new building in 2005 with no lost systems productivity other than the expected actual day of the move. At that time we had over 110 users and workstations to deal with and it was no easy task. As Dick mentioned, the flood of 2011 where Teresa was personally impacted so significantly, but was also right there when we needed her to keep things moving with our systems needs of both the HSS Building and Disaster Center locations. During those difficult times Teresa defined civil servant and dedication.

"What is important to remember about Teresa is she never lost her roots with the organization and that is her initial role as an Examiner and Senior Examiner, making sure that those we serve are served in a timely and emphatic manner. I believe that those years of experience grounded her for her entire career. It has been a benefit to both the people we serve and the taxpayers of the county that the person responsible for top notch functional systems and efficient timely data entry operations has been Teresa Ryder. All the complexities of the technical world she has lived in for 27 years, she has never over those years lost sight of our mission and our values.

"You are one of the few employees we have who touches the work lives of all employees and I can say without doubt that every employee wishes you the best as you move into the next phase of your life. We all wish you the healthiest and happiest of retirements and it is said with sincere respect and gratitude for all that you have given to the Department. Thank you."

Teresa Ryder spoke. "Thank you Shawn. Thank you for the very kind words. I want to thank my family, my husband and daughters are here today. My kids were babies when I started working at DSS, so to them and to me working for the County and DSS has been part of me. It is part of my identity and it has been in a very very positive way. I am so fortunate to have worked for an agency that I believe in and I am proud of, and to have a job that I am challenged by and I have really loved for years and years, and I am never ever bored, never.

"I am fortunate to have people to work for that I admire and respect, Shawn, Gail Barton, and my Director, Gary Grant. Thanks so much. Thanks to the staff of the Fiscal Division, especially my current systems, past and present. You are great and I cannot thank you enough. Thanks to my fellow supervisors, i.e., my confidants and coconspirators. Thanks to all the folks really that I have worked with throughout the years. It has been great and I am going to miss everybody, but I do look forward to this next step and just thanks everybody."

Legislator Huttleston spoke. "It is quite a tribute. I appreciate all you people that came. This is quite a tribute. It tells you how well she was liked and I appreciate it."

Legislator Sullivan read and presented the following recognition resolution to Adam Schumacher, formerly of the District Attorney's Office.

There was a unanimous motion for the adoption of the following recognition resolution, seconded unanimously.

REFERRED TO: LEGAL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 15-14 *RECOGNIZE ADAM SCHUMACHER'S
13 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE
DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE*

WHEREAS: Adam Schumacher began his career with the Tioga County District Attorney's Office as Third Assistant District Attorney on September 25, 2000, was promoted to Second Assistant District Attorney on July 12, 2006, and promoted to First Assistant District Attorney on January 2, 2013; and

WHEREAS: Adam Schumacher has been a dedicated and loyal employee in the performance of his duties to the District Attorney's Office; and

WHEREAS: Adam Schumacher has shown the highest levels of integrity, trust, loyalty and competence in the performance of his duties; and

WHEREAS: Adam Schumacher left the District Attorney's Office on December 31, 2013; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature, on its own behalf, as well as on behalf of the citizens of Tioga County, express sincere gratitude to Adam Schumacher for his 13 years of dedicated and loyal service to the Tioga County District Attorney's Office; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a certified copy be presented to this loyal, dedicated and outstanding employee, Adam Schumacher.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Unanimously Yes – Legislators Case, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standing, Sullivan, and Weston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

Adam Schumacher spoke. "Thank you. I am certainly humbled to receive this and appreciate that the Legislature took the time out of your busy schedules to go ahead and do this. Most of the people that I have dealt with over the last 13 years probably would not want to be here or would not be here, or have anything really good to say. I am certainly proud to have worked in that office and again thank you."

Chair Sauerbrey noted the following recognition resolution on Irene Graven.

There was a unanimous motion for the adoption of the following recognition resolution, seconded unanimously.

REFERRED TO: LEGAL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 16-14 *RECOGNIZE IRENE GRAVEN'S
22 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE
DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE*

WHEREAS: Irene Graven began her career with the Tioga County Attorney's Office as Assistant County Attorney on March 4, 1991, was promoted to Senior Assistant County Attorney on January 1, 1994, then went to the District Attorney's Office as Second Assistant District Attorney on September 6, 1999, was promoted to First Assistant District Attorney on September 25, 2000, and was appointed Acting District Attorney on January 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS: Irene Graven has been a dedicated and loyal employee in the performance of her duties to the County and the District Attorney's Office; and

WHEREAS: Irene Graven has shown the highest level of integrity, trust, loyalty and competence in the performance of her duties; and

WHEREAS: Irene Graven retired from the District Attorney's Office on January 1, 2014; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature, on its own behalf, as well as on behalf of the citizens of Tioga County, express sincere gratitude to Irene Graven for her 22 years of dedicated and loyal service to the Tioga County District Attorney's Office; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution be spread upon the minutes of this meeting and a certified copy be presented to this loyal, dedicated and outstanding employee, Irene Graven.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Unanimously Yes – Legislators Case, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standing, Sullivan, and Weston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chris Kallin of the Employee Recognition Committee presented the Employee of the year 2013 to Amy Poff of the Personnel Office. “First of all, on behalf of the Employee Recognition Committee I would like to thank this Legislature for their continued support of this very fine program. Amy has been a recipient of the Employee of the Quarter Award on two separate occasions, in 2000 and again in 2013, and now is being honored as your Tioga County Employee of the year for 2013.

“Amy has been the Benefits Manager for Tioga County for 15 years and as such provides invaluable assistance to both county employees and retirees. Amy is one of the first representatives of the county that employees meet as she conducts all the new hire orientations and is responsible for providing assistance to employees for all benefit programs such as health insurance, retirement, flexible spending, deferred compensation. The adoption of the Affordable Care Act and changes in the health insurance plans for over 300 employees in 2012 has created significant additional work for Amy and yet she continues to make serving the employees and retirees her top priority.

“In addition to assisting county employees and retirees, Amy is responsible for managing both the Consolidated Health Insurance Plan in which the county and 9 towns and villages historically participate as well as the Self-Insured Workers’ Compensation Program in which the county and all 12 towns and villages participate. These programs have required a great deal of attention the past few years due to New York State’s adoption of the Workers’ Compensation Reform, which not only increased the awards to claimants, but also streamlined the claim process, shortening the timeline employers have for collecting information and processing claims.

“Likewise the Consolidated Health Plan is undergoing major changes, being dissolved because of the Affordable Care Act, requires the towns and villages to seek other coverage as of January 1, 2014. The dissolution of this plan has been in place since 1992 and assisting the participating municipalities and securing alternative coverage has been very time intensive for Amy during the past year.

"In addition to excelling in all of the above, Amy is a true player within the Personnel Department, always considerate of her coworkers, willing to assist with the administration of weekend civil service exams, and any other needs that arise. Despite the volume of work, night meetings, never ending phone calls, unscheduled drop-in visitors needing assistance, and the inundation of e-mails she receives, Amy manages it all well maintaining an impressive level of courteous customer service. Because of all she does and how well she has done it, the Employee Recognition Committee voted Amy as Tioga County's Employee of the year for 2013. Amy is extremely deserving of this award and continues to be a great asset to all of Tioga County. Congratulations Amy."

Amy Poff spoke. "I too would also just like to thank the Legislature for the support of the Employee Recognition Program and also the committee members who work hard to implement the program because there is nothing like recognition from coworkers. It is very rewarding. I could not do what I do without the support of my Department, my Department Head Bethany, my coworkers, Linn, Nancy, and Camille, and the many other coworkers in the Departments that help me on a daily basis. I am very proud to work among so many dedicated Tioga County employees and I just really want to thank you."

Legislator Tracy Monell spoke. "I cannot think of anybody in the County that is more deserving of this. We as the Personnel Committee get to see what Amy does on a regular basis and there are things that a lot of people are not aware of. For instance, last year there was a problem with the credits cards not working and Amy would get in her car and drive to Waverly so she could take care of that with whoever had the problem, and that is the kind of thing that you just do not see from every employee, whether it is for the County or anybody else. She really cares about the people that she works with and I cannot be prouder than I am to be the Personnel Committee Chair and have you receive this award. Good job."

The list of audited bills was submitted and is summarized as follows:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Equipment</u>	<u>Expense</u>
A1010	Legislative Board		620.58
A1165	District Attorney		3,327.79
A1170	Public Defender		4,456.33
A1172	Assigned Counsel		26,837.23
A1185	Medical Examiners/Corners		7,116.56
A1355	Assessments		6,444.24
A1362	Tax Advertising and Expense		1,356.42
A1410	County Clerk		79.90
A1411	Department of Motor Vehicles		220.00

A1420	Law		3,050.00
A1430	Personnel		1,779.60
A1450	Elections		30,531.96
A1620	Buildings	2,600.90	37,405.49
A1621	Buildings		27,851.90
A1680	Information Technology		28,809.80
A2490	Community College Tuition		112,439.31
A2960	Education Handicapped Children		84,590.62
A3020	Public Safety Comm E911 System		13,351.03
A3110	Sheriff	293.78	13,431.95
A3121	Sheriff LE11-1038-E00 Grant	3,864.00	
A3140	Probation		50.10
A3150	Jail		20,182.69
A3315	Special Traffic Programs		10,086.59
A3410	Fire		9,385.47
A3640	Emergency Mgmt Office		518.25
A3641	LEMPG Grant	1,500.00	
A4010	Public Health Nursing		4,775.25
A4011	Public Health Administration		1,914.49
A4042	Rabies Control		188.00
A4044	Early Intervention		51,493.51
A4047	Handicapped Education Administration		16.20
A4053	Preventive/Primary Health Services		19.88
A4054	Preventive Dental Services		1,043.59
A4064	Managed Care-Dental Services		75.00
A4070	Disease Control		2,122.64
A4090	Environmental Health		101.79
A4210	Alcohol and Drug Services		10,913.36
A4211	Council on Alcoholism		11,089.26
A4309	Mental Hygiene County Admin		5,804.73
A4310	Mental Health Clinic		42,494.35
A4320	Crisis Intervention Services		5,693.34
A4321	Intensive Case Management		2,255.42
A4390	Criminal Psychiatric Expenditures		1,363.38
A5630	Bus Operations		82,805.59
A6010	Social Services Administration		71,022.48
A6610	Sealer of Weights and Measures		152.96
A7310.41	Youth Programs, Refundable		14,225.61
A8020	Planning		16,479.50
SOLID WASTE FUND			2,980.08
SPECIAL GRANT FUND			5,861.13
COUNTY ROAD FUND			163,584.16
CAPITAL FUND			870,359.74
CONSOLIDATED HEALTH INSURANCE FUND			20,940.77

SELF INSURANCE FUND	<u>1,300.00</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$ 1,843,258.70

Legislator Monell made a motion to approve the minutes of December 10 & 19, 2013, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck, and carried.

Chair Sauerbrey made the following appointment to Cornell Cooperative Extension for a one year term.

Legislator William Standinger

Chair Sauerbrey made the following appointment to a Security Implementation Committee effective January 14, 2014.

1st Assistant County Attorney
Information Technology Director
Director of Community Services

Chair Sauerbrey abolished the Assigned Counsel Study Committee effective January 14, 2014.

Chair Sauerbrey announced the Standing Committees for 2014.

**STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE
OF THE COUNTY OF TIOGA FOR 2014**

	Chairman			
1. County Clerk, Historian, Real Property Veterans/Elections,	Huttleston	Sullivan	Case	Standinger
2. Economic Development/ Planning/Tourism/ Agriculture	Case	Roberts	Hollenbeck	Weston
3. Finance/Legal & Safety	Hollenbeck	All Legislators		
4. Information Technology	Sullivan	Case	Monell	Huttleston
5. Legislative Worksessions/ Legislative support	Sauerbrey	All Legislators		
6. Health & Human Services	Standinger	Sullivan	Case	Monell

7.Public Safety/ Probation & DWI	Weston	Hollenbeck	Roberts	Standinger
8.Public Works/ Capital Projects	Roberts	Sullivan	Huttleston	Weston
9.Personnel/ADA	Monell	Hollenbeck	Weston	Standinger

Committee meeting reports are on file in the Legislative Clerk's Office and may be procured there by any interested person.

Legislator Case moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Monell.

REFERRED TO: ED&P COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 17-14 *RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF TIOGA DOWNS FOR SELECTION AS EASTERN SOUTHERN TIER REGION CASINO GAMING LICENSE AWARDEE*

WHEREAS: In November 2013, New York State voters approved a constitutional amendment to allow casino gaming in the State; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County voters showed overwhelming support of said constitutional amendment with 69.2% of voters in favor; and

WHEREAS: Tioga Downs has already proven to be a valued community partner by way of job creation, capital investment and revenue generated; and

WHEREAS: Tioga Downs owner has also shown experience in the gaming industry, not only at the existing facility in Tioga County but also in other facilities across New York State; and

WHEREAS: In anticipation of the passing of the Upstate New York Gaming and Economic Development Act, Tioga Downs has made substantial improvements to their already existing facility located in Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: The Tioga Downs existing facility is centrally located within the identified Eastern Southern Tier Region to best serve all residents of the region; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature pass this resolution in support of Tioga Downs being awarded the Eastern Southern Tier Region Gaming License; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Clerk to the Legislature shall send a copy of the resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Senator Thomas Libous, Assemblyman Christopher Friend and Assemblywoman Donna Lupardo.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Case, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, and Weston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Case moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Sullivan.

REFERRED TO: ED&P COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 18-14 *AUTHORIZATION REQUEST FOR TRANSFER OF FUNDS TO MATCH IDA EMPIRE STATE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLANNING AND FEASIBILITY STUDIES GRANT FOR SITE DESIGN AT THE ESITE*

WHEREAS: The funding from the Empire State Development Strategic Planning and Feasibility Studies Program for the site design of Rte. 434, Owego, NY (ESite) owned by the Tioga County IDA has been approved; and

WHEREAS: The funding will supply costs toward a Phase I design to construct an access road, prepare a grading plan, install necessary utilities, such as water, sewer, telecommunications, storm water drainage, large parking lot, a 4,000 square foot building to house a Tourism Visitor Information Center as well as a storage facility for Tioga County digital records; and

WHEREAS: This project will create a distinctive niche and promote regional Tourism, as well as create employment with the increased staff for the Visitor Center with the potential to expand development in addition to promoting a private/public partnership development; and

WHEREAS: This is a collaborated effort with the Tioga County IDA, Tioga County and Tioga County Tourism submitting the submission of the Consolidated Funding Application for a total project in the amount of \$100,000; and

TO:	A1620.10-10 Personnel Services	\$ 4,021
	A1165.10-20 Personnel Services	\$21,917
	A9010.80-88 Retirement	\$ 1,194
	A9030.80-88 Social Security	\$ 1,984
	A9060.80-88 Health Insurance	\$ 1,591

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Case, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standing, Sullivan, and Weston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Sullivan moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Standing.

REFERRED TO: FINANCE/LEGAL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 20-14 TRANSFER OF FUNDS
TROPICAL STORM LEE DISASTER

WHEREAS: In December 2013 there were three resolutions (339-13, 340-13, and 341-13) passed to allow for mitigation on three County owned buildings to be done that are related to the Tropical Storm Lee Disaster; and

WHEREAS: Funds will be received from FEMA and SEMO and funds need to be allocated to the Tropical Storm Lee Disaster Account to cover these expenses; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the following sums be transferred:

From:	H4960.00 Federal Aid-Emergency Disaster	\$508,500
	H3510.00 State Aid-FEMA	\$169,500
To:	H1624.20 Tropical Storm Lee Disaster	\$678,000

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Case, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, and Weston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Sullivan moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Hollenbeck.

REFERRED TO: PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 21-14 *TRANSFER OF FUNDS*
WORKERS' COMPENSATION

WHEREAS: Resolution 276-13 authorized the Chair of the Legislature to purchase workers' compensation specific excess Insurance from Safety National Casualty Corp. for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS: The 2014 renewal rate and terms for this policy were not finalized by Safety National Casualty Corp. until late December 2013; and

WHEREAS: The 2014 amount budgeted for this policy was \$158,000 but the actual cost for the options selected came in at \$190,921; and

WHEREAS: Funds are available in one of the Expense accounts; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the following sums be transferred:

From: Workers' Compensation Account S1710.40 (270)	\$ 1,187.00
From: Workers' Compensation Account S1720.40 (101)	\$31,734.00
To: Workers' Compensation Account S1722.40 (270) insurance-liability	\$32,921.00

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Case, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, and Weston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Sullivan moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Weston.

REFERRED TO: FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 23-14 *ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENT
TOWN OF OWEGO*

WHEREAS: An application for corrected tax roll for property No. 7344, assessed to Mark McQueeney on the 2014 tax roll of the Town of Owego indicates that the taxable value for this property should have been \$136,100 on the 2013 final assessment roll; and

WHEREAS: The 2014 tax bill for property no. 7344 has not yet been paid to the Town of Owego Tax Collector; be it therefore

RESOLVED: That a new 2014 tax bill be issued by the Town of Owego Tax Collector to Mark McQueeney for property no. 7344 as follows:

	<u>Bill Property #7344</u>	<u>NEW Bill Property #7344</u>
County	1,641.77	1,469.06
Recycle	71.18	63.69
Townwide	154.25	138.03
Part-Town	398.09	356.21
Apal Fire	<u>360.38</u>	<u>322.47</u>
	2,625.67	2,349.46

RESOLVED: That the erroneous town tax of \$58.10 be charged back to the Town of Owego, and the erroneous Fire Tax of \$37.91 be charged back to the Apalachin Fire District; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the erroneous solid waste tax of \$7.49 be charged back to the Solid Waste Fund; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the erroneous county tax of \$172.71 be charged to the proper accounts in the records of the County Treasurer.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Case, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, and Weston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Sullivan moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Weston.

REFERRED TO: FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 24-14 *ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENT
TOWN OF OWEGO*

WHEREAS: An application for credit and refund of property taxes on property No. 11336, assessed to Haig D & Diane J McNamee on the 2014 tax roll of the Town of Owego indicates that an interior inspection was done in 2004 to show demolition of a finished rec room in basement, yet the assessment was never lowered to reflect the demolition; and

WHEREAS: Real Property tax law stipulates that refunds for erroneous assessments can only be given for three years and the assessor for the Town of Owego has calculated a total reduction amount of \$400.44 for the room demolition for tax years 2012-2014; and

WHEREAS: The 2012 and 2013 tax bills for property no. 11336 were paid to the Town of Owego Tax Collector, and the 2014 tax bill has not yet been paid; be it therefore

RESOLVED: That a refund of \$264.82 for overpayment of 2012-2013 taxes on property no. 11336 be issued to Haig D & Diane J McNamee by the Tioga County Treasurer; and be it further

RESOLVED: That a new 2014 tax bill be issued by the Town of Owego Tax Collector to Haig & Diane McNamee for property no. 11336 as follows:

	<u>Bill Property #11336</u>	<u>NEW Bill Property #11336</u>
County	1,090.19	1,002.38
Recycle	47.27	43.46
Townwide	102.43	94.18
Part-Town	264.34	243.05
Owego Fire	<u>179.53</u>	<u>165.07</u>
	1,683.76	1,548.14

RESOLVED: That the erroneous town tax of \$84.22 be charged back to the Town of Owego, and the erroneous Fire Tax of \$42.79 be charged back to the Owego Fire District; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the erroneous solid waste tax of \$11.57 be charged back to the Solid Waste Fund; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the erroneous county tax of \$261.86 be charged to the proper accounts in the records of the County Treasurer.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Case, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standing, Sullivan, and Weston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Sullivan moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Weston.

REFERRED TO:

FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 25-14

*ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENT
TOWN OF NEWARK VALLEY*

WHEREAS: An application for corrected tax roll indicates that property no. 3020 assessed to Susan Durgala, and George and Sharon Zurko on the 2014 tax roll of the Town of Newark Valley is erroneous in that the exemption codes were removed in error; and

WHEREAS: The 2014 town and county bill for property no. 3020 has not yet been paid to the Town of Newark Valley tax collector; be it therefore

RESOLVED: That a new bill be issued to Susan Durgala, and George & Sharon Zurko for property no. 3020 by the Town of Newark Valley tax collector as follows:

	<u>Bill #808/Acct 3020</u>	<u>Corrected Bill #808/Acct 3020</u>
County	\$ 1,298.90	\$ 1,130.30
Recycle	56.30	48.99
Townwide	520.10	452.59
Newark Valley Fire	<u>146.56</u>	<u>146.56</u>
	\$ 2,021.86	\$ 1,778.44

and be it further

RESOLVED: That the erroneous town tax of \$67.51 be charged back to the Town of Newark Valley; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the erroneous solid waste tax of \$7.31 be charged back to the Solid Waste Fund; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the erroneous county tax of \$168.60 be charged to the proper accounts in the records of the County Treasurer.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Case, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, and Weston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Case moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Sullivan.

REFERRED TO: ED&P LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 26-14 APPOINT MEMBER TO THE SUSQUEHANNA HERITAGE AREA COMMISSION

WHEREAS: Per resolution 70-12, the Tioga County Legislature authorized membership into the Susquehanna Heritage Area (SHA) Commission and Advisory Board via a GML Article 5-G intermunicipal agreement; and

WHEREAS: Since that time all five required municipalities (Broome County, Tioga County, City of Binghamton, Village of Johnson City, Village of Endicott) have made such authorization and signed the Susquehanna Heritage Area (SHA) Commission intermunicipal amended agreement that broadened the geographic scope of the SHA from the 5 original municipalities to all of Broome and Tioga counties, meaning that all municipalities within Broome and Tioga counties *can* become SHA Commission members; and

WHEREAS: During said intermunicipal agreement amendment process conducted in 2012, all municipal attorneys involved expressed concern that the SHA Commission membership was too large and this would inhibit the organization to conduct necessary business ; and

WHEREAS: As a result, the Susquehanna Heritage Area Commission approved an amended intermunicipal agreement that reduces the SHA Commission membership from two (2) to one (1) municipal representative and one (1) Advisory Board representative per municipality, to be appointed by their governing bodies, effective January 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS: Currently Elaine Jardine, County Planning Director and Stella Reschke, Tioga County Tourism Office Director have been serving as the 2 SHA Commission members; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature hereby appoints the Designated Legislator as the Tioga County member on the Susquehanna Heritage Area Commission for Term of Office of the County Legislature Chair who appoints said person.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Case, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standing, Sullivan, and Weston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Case moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Sullivan.

REFERRED TO: ED&P LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 27-14 *APPOINT MEMBER TO THE SUSQUEHANNA
HERITAGE AREA ADVISORY BOARD*

WHEREAS: Per resolution 70-12, the Tioga County Legislature authorized membership into the Susquehanna Heritage Area (SHA) Commission and Advisory Board via a GML Article 5-G intermunicipal agreement; and

WHEREAS: Since that time all five required municipalities (Broome County, Tioga County, City of Binghamton, Village of Johnson City, Village of Endicott) have made such authorization and signed the Susquehanna Heritage Area (SHA) Commission intermunicipal amended agreement that broadened the geographic scope of the SHA from the 5 original municipalities to all of Broome and Tioga counties, meaning that all municipalities within Broome and Tioga counties *can* become SHA Commission members; and

WHEREAS: During said inter-municipal agreement amendment process conducted in 2012, all municipal attorneys involved expressed concern that the SHA Commission membership was too large and this would inhibit the organization to conduct necessary business ; and

WHEREAS: As a result, the Susquehanna Heritage Area Commission approved an amended intermunicipal agreement that reduces the SHA Commission membership from two (2) to one (1) municipal representative and one (1) Advisory Board representative per municipality, to be appointed by their governing bodies, effective January 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS: Currently Elaine Jardine, County Planning Director and Stella Reschke, Tioga County Tourism Office Director have been serving as the 2 SHA Commission members; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature hereby appoints the Tourism Office Director as the Tioga County member on the Susquehanna Heritage Area Advisory Board for Term of Office of the County Legislature Chair who appoints said person.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Case, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, and Weston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Monell moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Weston.

REFERRED TO: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 28-14 APPOINT - FIRE ADVISORY BOARD

RESOLVED: That upon recommendation of the Tioga County Fire Chiefs, the following members be and are hereby appointed to the Tioga County Fire Advisory Board for the year 2014:

OFFICERS:	CHAIRMAN	STEVE FEDOROWICZ
	VICE CHAIRMAN	DONALD HOWARD
	SECRETARY	GINA KLETT

Membership:

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>DELIGATE</u>	<u>ALTERNATE</u>
APALACHIN	MIKE GEORGE	SHAUN FOLAND
BERKSHIRE	KEN BEAN	RON SHARP
CAMPVILLE	MARK DANIEL	DIANA FORD
CANDOR	JON ROMAN Jr.	TOM KING
HALSEY VALLEY	RON FRISBIE	DAVE BUMP
LOCKWOOD	DAVE CURTIS	BOB LONG
NEWARK VALLEY	GEORGE WAHL	JOHN HANEY
NICHOLS	ROB MINER	EVAN SMITH
OWEGO	SCOTT GIRNEY	ROBERT WILLIAMS
RICHFORD	JOHN KEENER	ZACH ARMSTRONG
SOUTHSIDE	CHARLES KLETT	FRANK OKRASINSKI
SPENCER	DEREK GRIER	SCOT GILLETTE
TIOGA CENTER	MILTON KEMP	ART MAYER
WAVERLY	DON HOWARD	JEFF WHEELER
WELTONVILLE	TONY ROSENBERGER	JOHN WAHL

WHEREAS: Resolution 345-13 authorized the District Attorney a waiver of the 90-day hiring delay in filling the part-time position of 3rd Assistant District Attorney; and

WHEREAS: The District Attorney has recruited a candidate who was able to begin employment immediately at the base of the non-union salary range for the title; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Palmer J. Pelella is appointed to the part-time position of 3rd Assistant District Attorney at an annual salary of \$28,000 with an effective date retroactive to January 8, 2014.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Case, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standinger, Sullivan, and Weston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Sullivan made a motion to have the following late-filed considered, seconded by Legislator Case and carried.

Legislator Monell moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Sullivan.

REFERRED TO: FINANCE/LEGAL

RESOLUTION NO. 31-14 *APPLY FOR INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES GRANT*

WHEREAS: The New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services has made available to Tioga County a three year, non-competitive grant totaling \$61,902.00 to improve the quality of indigent legal services provided under Article 18-B of the County Law; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County realizes the importance of providing quality representation to indigent individuals; and

WHEREAS: The grant funds will be used:

1. To partially fund the position of Family Court Public Defender and to entirely fund the office of Assigned Counsel Administrator and staff
2. To partially fund Attorney's fees for Assigned Counsel Panel
3. To purchase a Family Court case management system and data entry services
4. To purchase on line research tool for Public Defender's Office
5. To purchase an Ipad for Family Court Public Defender.

And

WHEREAS: There are no local matching funds required under this grant; now therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature authorizes the submission of said grant to the Office of Indigent Legal Services for the sum of \$61,902.00, and authorizes and directs the Chair of the Legislature to execute any contracts or other necessary documents to proceed with the grant, subject to approval of the County Attorney.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Case, Hollenbeck, Huttleston, Monell, Sauerbrey, Roberts, Standing, Sullivan, and Weston.

No – None.

Absent – None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:32 p.m.