# Tenth Regular Meeting October 14, 2025

The Tenth Regular Meeting of 2025 was held on October 14, 2025 and was called to order by the Chair at 12:00 P.M. Legislators Brown, Bunce, Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, and Standinger were present with Legislator Aronstam being absent.

Chair Sauerbrey asked Legislator Ciotoli to have a moment of prayer. "Heavenly Father, thank you for allowing us to gather today. We ask for your guidance as you look over us as we make decisions for the residents of Tioga County."

Legislator Ciotoli led all Legislators and those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 17 people in attendance.

Chair Sauerbrey asked for a unanimous motion for the following recognition resolution, seconded unanimously and carried.

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

Legislator Standinger read and presented the following resolution to Julie Whipple, Director of Employment & Transitional Supports, Department of Social Services.

REFERRED TO: HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 352-25 RECOGNIZE JULIE A. WHIPPLE

36 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

WHEREAS: Julie began her career with the Tioga County Department of Social Services on November 20, 1989, as a temporary HEAP Clerk Typist. In December 1989, Julie became a permanent Clerk Typist in the Income Maintenance Department and then promoted to Senior Typist in November 1990. In May 1992, Julie was promoted to Account Clerk Typist in the Accounting Department. In October 1992, Julie was promoted to Social Welfare Examiner in the Income Maintenance Department and then promoted to Principal Social Welfare Examiner in February 2001. Julie was promoted to her current position as Director of Employment and Transitional Supports in June 2021; and

WHEREAS: Julie Whipple has been a dedicated and loyal employee in the performance of her duties; and

WHEREAS: Julie Whipple has shown the highest levels of reliability, trust, loyalty, and competence in the performance of her duties; and

WHEREAS: Julie Whipple will retire on October 21, 2025; 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 Julie Whipple for her thirty-six 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, Julie A. Whipple.

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Unanimously Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

Legislator Standinger spoke. "Now, with that being said, 36 years is a significant accomplishment. I know I have seen you at a lot of the events at the Health & Human Services Building, such as Employee of the Quarter and Employee of the Year. I know that Shawn is going to miss you dearly. Congratulations and thank you."

Commissioner of Social Services Yetter spoke. "Thank you, Bill and good afternoon, everyone. Bill listed off all the different titles you held, 'Are there any that you didn't have'? Julie began her career with the County in the fall of 1989 and following several promotions and new titles, she is ending her career as an administrator holding the title of Director of Employment & Transitional Supports. I shared at the Employee Recognition Luncheon event recently that this is a very long title, which translates to 'She's got a lot to do'. Julie is a very special person who the County and our department has had the good fortune of her deciding that she wanted to dedicate her career to this work. Day in and day out, she has always maintained an encouraging environment and positive attitude for those who work with her and around her. When Julie leaves this week, a lot of

institutional knowledge walks out the door with her. I have said this before of other retirees and it is once again very true. It's hard to replace those 36 years of knowledge and experience. She is an invaluable asset to the agency and the County. Her program strength in all of the multiple areas of her responsibility is very strong and will be missed. Her desire to learn and understand everything has not changed even up to the closing days of her career. That, in itself, is a testament to her dedication to what we do and very importantly to her dedication to the people we are charged with serving.

"I am thrilled that you have enjoyed such an outstanding career with us and that you are going out on top. And, I have no doubt that you will know how to enjoy retirement to its fullest.

"On behalf of the countless number of families and children in Tioga County that you have worked to improve their lives and on behalf of all your colleagues, thank you and congratulations on your many years of service to the people of Tioga County. You will be very missed."

Julie Whipple spoke. "Thank you everyone. Thank you very much for the kind words. In the spring of 1989, I was literally flipping burgers for a living and I knew that I did not want to do that forever. My sister-in-law worked at Mental Hygiene very briefly and said, 'Hey, take a Civil Service test', which I had no idea what that was but I did it. She said, 'You just take a test and someone will call you if there is a job' and I thought that is easier than the other way around. So, I took the entry level Clerk Typist test. I got a call from the Owego-Apalachin School and they wanted me to do a survey of incoming seniors, as a temporary position. Now, I was 18 years old and I thought no thank you, I am not going to be doing that survey. But, shortly thereafter, I did get the call from Social Services and you already heard the rest; it's history now.

"In case you did not know it, Social Services is not that popular of a place. People have a lot to say about it. We spend all the taxpayers money because we have to provide those mandated benefits and services to a wide variety of individuals and families and we all work very hard there, so there is not a lot of down time. In my division, we have to focus on paperwork, deadlines, and getting the correct benefits to those eligible in a timely manner all while not forgetting there are people on the other end and the benefits you are authorizing have a profound effect on their lives.

"I am proud of the work that I have done there and that my staff is done. It does make you proud when you have clients thanking you for how you treated them and begging you to still let them stay there even though they have moved to another county. When the State calls looking for your advice, your assistance, requesting you be a pilot district for something new that is coming or they are

wanting to know how something works in the system and they call you, that does make you feel very proud.

"Obviously, I have seen a lot of changes since I have been here. When I started with the County, General Lyon was the Legislative Chair. I was a Public Assistance Examiner during Welfare Reform in the 1990's and I was a Medicaid Supervisor when the Affordable Care Act was implemented in 2010. We have all worked through two major floods and a pandemic. All of that stuff taught us that we could do things differently and still get the job done.

"I am happy to say that I will not be sticking around to feel the full impact of the One Big Beautiful Bill will have on our programs.

"I was brought up to have a healthy respect for authority figures. So, when I became the Director suddenly the Commissioner was my direct boss. Oh my gosh, the Commissioner. I was intimidated by the authority and basically I did not want to bug him with daily things you need from your supervisor. He is a busy guy. But, Shawn and the rest of the administrative team welcomed me. He was able to convince me that he is there for me and that I can bring anything to him. Well, the newness wore off and now he probably wishes I did not quite take as many things to him as I do. There are no secrets between Shawn and I with my staff. The winds of change are blowing in Tioga County. I am not the only one retiring this year and there will be multiple changes, but I am so thankful that I do not have to spend one day as a Director without the inspired leadership of Commissioner Yetter. Thank you."

Chair Sauerbrey spoke. "We wish you the best of luck and enjoy your retirement and beautiful family."

Chair Sauerbrey reported we have one Proclamation; Lead Poisoning Prevention Week (October 19-25, 2025) that will be noted in the minutes.

# COUNTY OF TIOGA EXECUTIVE PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS: Lead poisoning is a serious, permanent condition that can lead to lifelong health problems including developmental delays, behavioral issues, and difficulty learning; and

WHEREAS: Lead poisoned children have increased medical costs, educational needs and increased risk for criminal behavior as adults; and

WHEREAS: The goal of New York State's Healthy People 2030 is to reduce blood lead levels in children; and

WHEREAS: New York State Public Health Law states that all children must be tested for lead at age one and again at age two to identify lead poisoned children; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County Public Health works with medical providers and parents to advocate for child lead testing to reduce the risk of exposure to lead in the home; and

WHEREAS: Between 2021-2024 Tioga County Public Health provided case management and environmental health services to over 50 children with elevated blood lead levels; and

WHEREAS: Lead poisoning can be prevented by knowing and eliminating all possible sources of lead children may have access to; therefore

The TIOGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE, County of Tioga, does hereby proclaim the week of October 19 - 25, 2025 as

# LEAD POISONING PREVENTION WEEK

and urges all residents to take steps to educate themselves and their families about the importance of lead poisoning prevention.

There was no privilege of the floor.

Legislator Monell made a motion to approve the minutes of September 16, 2025 seconded by Legislator Ciotoli and carried.

Chair Sauerbrey appointed the following Legislator and staff to the **Tioga County Opioid Advisory Committee:** 

- Director of Community Services
- Director of Public Health
- Commissioner of Social Services
- County Attorney
- County Administrator
- Director of Veterans' Service Agency
- Health & Human Services Legislative Committee Chair
- Sheriff's Office Representative

Chair Sauerbrey appointed the following Legislators and staff to the **Public Defender Search Committee:** 

- Legislator Monell
- Legislator Standinger
- County Administrator
- County Attorney
- Personnel Officer

Chair Sauerbrey stated all Legislative Committees met this month and the minutes are or will be on file with the Clerk of the Legislature.

Legislator Bunce introduced Local Law Introductory No. C of 2025.

County of Tioga

Local Law No. XX of the Year 2025.

A Local Law to opt-out of the requirements of the New York Short-Term Rental Law for establishing a short-term rental registry.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the County of Tioga as follows:

# SECTION 1: LEGISLATIVE INTENT

This local law is enacted pursuant to the authority granted by the Municipal Home Rule Law, Section 20, and the New York State Real Property Law, Section 447-c (1)(b). The purpose of the local law is to formally declare that County of Tioga opts not to establish a short-term rental registration system for short-term rental units as defined Section 447-c (1)(a) of Article 12-D of the New York State Real Property Law.

# **SECTION 2: OPT-OUT DECLARATION**

The County of Tioga hereby exercises its right pursuant to Section 447-c (1)(b) of Article 12-D of New York State Real Property Law to opt-out of the New York State short-term rental registry program established by the New York State Real Property Law, Section 447-c (1)(a) of Article 12-D. Therefore, the County of Tioga shall not participate in the state-level short-term rental registration program.

# SECTION 3: CONSEQUENCES OF OPTING-OUT

The County of Tioga acknowledges that the County may opt-in to the Short-term Rental Law by repealing this local law.

# **SECTION 4: EFFECTIVE DATE**

This local law shall take effect December 1, 2025, in accordance with Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York.

# **SECTION 5: SEVERABILITY**

If any part of this local law is found to be invalid, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

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

REFERRED TO: LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 353-25 SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING

LOCAL LAW INTRODUCTORY NO. C OF 2025

RESOLVED: That a Public Hearing shall be held on Thursday, October 23, 2025 at 10:00 A.M. in the Legislative Conference Room of the Ronald E. Dougherty County Office Building, 56 Main Street, Owego, NY 13827 on Local Law Introductory No. C of 2025; A Local Law to opt-out of the requirements of the New York Short-Term Rental Law for establishing a short-term rental registry. All persons desiring to present written or oral comments may do so at said time.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: FINANCE, LEGAL & SAFETY COMMITTEE

LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 354-25 SET PUBLIC HEARING

2026 BUDGET

RESOLVED: That the public hearing on the tentative Tioga County Budget for 2026 be held at 10:00 A.M., Wednesday, November 12, 2025, in the Edward D. Hubbard Auditorium of the Ronald E. Dougherty County Office Building, 56 Main Street, Owego, New York 13827.

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 355-25 APPOINT NEW YOUTH BOARD MEMBER TERM

YOUTH BUREAU

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Youth Board is organized as an advisory body to the Tioga County Youth Bureau; and

WHEREAS: The purpose of the Youth Board is to carry out the provision of Section 95 of the General Municipal Law of the State of New York and Resolution No. 140 of 1981 of the Tioga County Legislature; and

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Youth Board Bylaws provides for representatives to the Youth Board be appointed by the County Legislature; and

WHEREAS: Vacancies currently exist on the Youth Board; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the following listed representative be appointed as a member of the Tioga County Youth Board with the corresponding term of office as follows:

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Christina Lampila

10/1/2025 - 9/30/2027

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

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

REFERRED TO: FINANCE/LEGAL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 356-25 ACCEPT AUCTION BIDS FOR COUNTY OWNED

PROPERTY ACQUIRED FOR TAXES, AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF DEEDS

WHEREAS: Properties acquired by Tioga County for nonpayment of taxes in the Towns of Barton, Berkshire, Candor, Newark Valley, Nichols, Owego, Richford, and Tioga were offered for sale at Public Auction conducted Tuesday, September 30, 2025, by the County Treasurer; and

WHEREAS: It is the intent of the Legislature to return the properties to the Tax Rolls as soon as possible; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the following bids, being the highest made at said Auction for the several different properties offered, be and hereby are accepted, and the Chair of the Tioga County Legislature is authorized to sign and record, on receipt of the amount bid and recording costs, Quit Claim Deeds conveying the various parcels to the successful bidders and to their assigns:

Prior Owner-Tax Map#	<u>Purchaser</u>	<u>Bid</u>
<u>Village of Waverly:</u>		
166.12-3-8; Comstock Thomas E	Owego Holdings LLC	\$22,500
166.18-2-28; Fravel Teresa	Griffin D. Jacobson	\$17,500
166.18-1-18; Smith Estate Ethel	Griffin D. Jacobson	\$19,000
166.19-1-40; Wittig Russell	Norman D. Millage Jr.	\$25,000
<u>Town of Barton</u>		
145.00-2-30; Searles Patricia	Kayla M. Pond	\$48,000
<u>Town of Berkshire</u>		
16.00-2-8; Rupert Willis C	Kenneth W. Underwood	\$26,500

Town of Candor		
70.00-1-30; Conaway James L	Theodore Huzinga	\$100,000
38.00-1-23; Jones Gerald R	Perkins Realty Investments	\$7,000
61.00-1-14.20; Middaugh Michael F	Dawn M. Shedden	\$12,000
38.00-1-43; Wanda Newby	Kayla M. Pond	\$13,000
Village of Newark Valley		
64.15-2-33; Ridgway Roxann Lynn	Emily Elizabeth Acomb	\$80,000
64.15-1-10; Underwood Ronald M	ATU Gonzalez Group LLC	\$10,000
Town of Newark Valley		
64.00-1-42; Fitzgerald Brian	ATU Gonzalez Group LLC	\$5,000
Town of Nichols		
159.00-2-31; Bennett, William	Mark A. Pelensky	\$200
157.00-4-3.30; Butler James	Paul C. Campbell	\$11,000
168.00-3-20 & 21; Whitman Harry	Meagan D. Depue	\$80,000
<u>Village of Owego</u>		
117.20-2-6; Ochu Martins O	ATU Gonzalez Group LLC	\$1,000
117.19-2-62; Owego Holdings 2021 LLC	James S. Walley	\$24,000
129.05-1-10; Owego Holdings 2021 LLC	Tow Broome LLC	\$500
Town of Owego		
130.00-2-66.11; 4280 W 434, LLC	Beverly Brown	\$124,000
153.07-1-36; Bell David	ATU Gonzalez Group LLC	\$1,000
131.19-1-26; Depuysselier Laverne	Chain Link Properties	\$29,000
153.06-2-13; Schweitzer Christine A	ATU Gonzalez Group LLC	\$8,000
107.00-1-6.212; Warren Benjamin	Raymond W. Reeves	\$29,500
143.13-1-20; County of Tioga	ATU Gonzalez Group LLC	\$1,000

# Town of Richford

12.00-1-28.41; Brown Reginald	Kari Lee Bunce	\$25,000
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12.00-1-21.11 & 21.90; Wert Daniel Michelle H. Gehm \$62,000

Town of Tioga

148.08-1-23; Major Lynn W Joseph F. Karpel \$31,500

Deborah L. Smith

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Ciotoli moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Flesher.

REFERRED TO: ED&P COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 357-25 AUTHORIZE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

TO PROVIDE IN-KIND SERVICES TO STERPDB FOR

REGIONAL HOUSING PROJECT

WHEREAS: Per Tioga County Resolution No. 243-74, Tioga County has been a dedicated member of the Southern Tier East Regional Planning Development Board (STERPDB), dba Southern Tier 8 Regional Board (ST8), since its inception and original intermunicipal agreement executed in 1974; and

WHEREAS: ST8 is now embarking on a Regional Housing Investment Framework project, funded by the Appalachian Regional Commission, whereby ST8's eight member counties will work together to address the private workforce housing supply shortage by identifying strategic investment opportunities, removing barriers to housing development, and preparing communities to implement regional housing solutions that drive long-term economic growth; and

WHEREAS: ST8 is requesting that all eight counties enter into the project's Memorandum of Understanding that defines expected roles of the counties and requires contribution of in-kind services from county staff in the amount of \$28,000 for time spent on this project during the grant period of March 1, 2025 to February 28, 2027; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County Department of Economic Development and Planning staff, namely Elaine Jardine and Sara Zubalsky-Peer, are willing and able to provide this staff time and contribute said in-kind services amount during the stated grant period; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature hereby authorizes entry into said ST8 Memorandum of Understanding; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislative Chair be authorized to sign said Memorandum of Understanding upon review and approval of the County Attorney.

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Ciotoli moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Brown.

REFERRED TO: ED&P COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 358-25 AUTHORIZING LEGISLATIVE CHAIR SIGNATURE

ON MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING WITH

TIOGA COUNTY FAIR BOARD

WHEREAS: Tioga County Department of Sustainability would like to hold their second annual Pumpkin Smash Event in partnership with Tioga County Tourism at the County Fair Grounds; and

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Fair Board is willing to allow the County and Tourism to host said event at the County Fair Grounds; and

WHEREAS: A Pumpkin Smash is an effort to divert pumpkins from landfills by providing locations for residents to drop-off jack-o-lanterns/whole pumpkins to be composted or donated to local farms for livestock; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County Sustainability will be providing PPE such as caution tape, tarps, gloves, safety googles & face shields, and safety vests, as well as requiring all participants to sign a waiver; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Tioga County and the Tioga County Fair Board are desirous of having a Memo of Understanding with regard to this event; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature agrees to authorize the Legislative Chair to sign the Memo of Understanding, upon approval of the County Attorney, between the Tioga County Fair Board and Tioga County.

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Flesher moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Brown.

REFERRED TO: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

FINANCE, LEGAL & SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 359-25 AUTHORIZE CONTRACT BETWEEN

RIVERSIDE FORENSIC PATHOLOGY, PLLC AND

TIOGA COUNTY

WHEREAS: Riverside Forensic Pathology, PLLC will provide professional services for autopsies, laboratory testing, x-rays, and use of morgue facilities for Tioga County for the two-year contract period of January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2027; and

WHEREAS: The contract with Riverside Forensic Pathology, PLLC calls for \$1,300 per complete autopsy examination to be paid to pathologists and various other fees depending on tests, x-rays, etc. that are needed or \$600.00 professional service fee for external examinations, per examination; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature authorizes the Tioga County Legislative Chair to sign a contract, upon approval of the County Attorney, with Riverside Forensic Pathology, PLLC for services rendered to Tioga County at the costs listed above and for a two-year term of January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2027.

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Flesher moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Brown.

REFERRED TO: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 360-25 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE

STSJP CONTRACT FOR SFY 2025-2026 PROBATION AS LEAD AGENCY FOR APPLICATION FOR FUNDING VIA STSJP

WHEREAS: The NYS Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS) has directed every County to create Alternative to Detention programing and since 2015 the Probation Department has been the Lead Agency for the County to apply for STSJP funding; and

WHEREAS: The funding is based on an approved OCFS contract for a maximum of \$42,000 and is set at a ratio of 62% state reimbursement – 38% county share for monies expended by the County for Alternative to Detention programing for Juvenile Delinquents. The Tioga County Legislature agrees to accept this reimbursement funding format; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislative Chair is approved to contract with the Office of Children and Family Services for STSJP funding as follows:

Probation Department – Juvenile Delinquency Alternatives to Detention

Reminder Call, Electronic Monitoring \$13,882.00

State Share \$ 8,606.84

County Share \$ 5,275.16

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 361-25 RESOLUTION TO APPROVE A CONTRACT BETWEEN

THE TIOGA COUNTY PROBATION DEPT. AND

**TALITRIX** 

WHEREAS: The Probation Department is need of Electronic Monitoring Services to provide alternative to incarceration and alternative to detention services via Court order for Tioga County adults and juveniles; and

WHEREAS: Probation has been contracting with a company, Talitrix, that is willing to provide T-Band wearable Electronic Monitoring Services to Tioga County Probation at the cost of \$5.00 per day per unit; and

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Attorney has previously approved a contract with Talitrix that will charge the County \$5.00 per day per unit, with no fee for units on the shelf. Said contract is for one year beginning September 3, 2025 to September 2, 2026 unless terminated by one of the parties; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County Probation has budgeted funds for Electronic Monitoring services for 2025-2026 in the amount of \$8,000 in account number A3142-540140; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Tioga County Probation Director is approved to contract with Talitrix to provide Electronic Monitoring hardware and internet accessible software for adults and juveniles to the Probation Department as part of the County's Alternative to Incarceration and Alternative to Detention programming.

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 362-25

AUTHORIZE RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH EXCELLUS BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD TO ADMINISTER HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFITS

WHEREAS: Tioga County uses the service of Excellus Blue Cross Blue Shield of Central New York to administer health insurance benefits for Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: Excellus Blue Cross Blue Shield of Central New York has submitted a renewal agreement to administer fully insured benefits for Tioga County employees for the period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS: These are contractual benefits for Tioga County union employees; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature authorizes the Chair of the Legislature to sign the renewal agreement with Excellus Blue Cross Blue Shield of Central New York, subject to review by the County Attorney, to administer health insurance benefits for Tioga County for the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

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

REFERRED TO: PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 363-25 AWARD DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION SUPPORT

SERVICES CONTRACT TO DELTA ENGINEERS FOR A UTILITY ROLL-UP DOOR AT THE PUBLIC SAFETY

BUILDING

WHEREAS: Tioga County has budgeted for the replacement of several pieces of mechanical equipment in the Public Safety Building; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County has been made aware of significant cost savings associated with installing a utility roll-up door to assist in the movement of equipment both in and out of the Public Safety Building; and

WHEREAS: The Commissioner of Public Works received a proposal for design and construction support services for this project from Delta Engineers, Endwell, NY; and

WHEREAS: The proposal for these services is \$26,243; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature award the proposal for design and construction support services for the installation of a utility roll-up door at the Public Safety Building to Delta Engineers not to exceed \$26,243 to be paid out of the following account:

H1620.521913 Public Safety Building Renovations

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

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

REFERRED TO: PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 364-25 AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 280-25;

AUTHORIZE CONTRACT FOR BROOME BITUMINOUS PRODUCTS TO PERFORM PAVING AND MILLING

SERVICES ON GOODRICH ROAD

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Department of Public Works is authorized to procure services based on New York State (NYS) Office of General Services bids and from other bids in the neighboring counties where applicable; and

WHEREAS: The award for paving and milling services to be performed on Goodrich Road was awarded to Broome Bituminous Products, Inc. on Resolution No. 280-25 for \$76,707; and

WHEREAS: The amount of material needed to perform the paving services by Broome Bituminous Products, Inc. increased by approximately 48% as approved by the Commissioner of Public Works as being the best way to extend the surface life of the road: therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature authorize additional funds to be appropriated for the additional material placed on Goodrich Road in the amount of \$25,418 to be paid out of the following account:

H5110.540001.H2501 – Paving Projects 2025

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

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

REFERRED TO: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

LEGISLATIVE WORKSESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 365-25 AUTHORIZE THE SUBMISSION OF THE

FLOYD HOOKER FOUNDATION APPLICATION FOR THE TIOGA COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT

YOUTH PROGRAM

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Probation Department would like to apply for a grant from the Floyd Hooker Foundation in the amount of \$10,000.00 for the Juvenile/Youth at Probation; and

WHEREAS: County Policy #47 requires that a resolution be approved before any such grant application is submitted. The Floyd Hooker Foundation's grant application needs to be completed by October 15, 2025; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Probation Department be given authorization to apply for the Floyd Hooker Foundation grant application in the amount of \$10,000 to be in compliance with the county policy.

Legislator Flesher spoke. "I just want to point out for the record that Director Cain and his Department have done a great job administering the money that they have received from this grant in the past and I am very excited for them to receive it again so they can continue their work. This grant is focused on youth and incentivizing them to complete their programs. He has done a great job."

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

Legislator Brown moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Ciotoli.

REFERRED TO: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

FINANCE/LEGAL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 366-25 AUTHORIZE 2025 VOTE BY MAIL GRANT AND

AMEND 2025 BUDGET BOARD OF ELECTIONS

WHEREAS: The 2025 NYS Budget created the 2025 Vote By Mail Grant Program to be administered by the New York State Board of Elections (NYSBOE); and

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Board of Elections (BOE) is eligible for reimbursement of up to \$13,128.77 eligible expenses under this grant program, for the term of 04/01/2025 to 03/31/2026; and

WHEREAS: The BOE received the contract for this grant from the NYSBOE on September 5, 2025; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County BOE is authorized to apply for and receive reimbursement from the NYS Vote By Mail Grant Program, for up to \$13,128.77; and be it further

RESOLVED: That funding for expenditures under this grant shall be appropriated as follows:

FROM: A1450 439060 VBMG State Aid-Elections \$13,128.77

TO: A1450 540490 VBMG Election Expense \$13,128.77

And be it further

RESOLVED: That any unspent funds under this grant in FY2025 shall carry over to FY2026.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

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

REFERRED TO: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

FINANCE/LEGAL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 367-25 AUTHORIZE 2025 ELECTION GRANT AND

AMEND 2025 BUDGET BOARD OF ELECTIONS

WHEREAS: The 2025 NYS Budget created the 2025 Election Grant Program to be administered by the New York State Board of Elections (NYSBOE); and

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Board of Elections (BOE) is eligible for reimbursement of up to \$6,811.77 eligible expenses under this grant program, for the term of 04/01/2025 to 03/31/2026; and

WHEREAS: The BOE received the contract for this grant from the NYSBOE on September 5, 2025; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County BOE is authorized to apply for and receive reimbursement from the NYS 2025 Election Grant Program, for up to \$6,811.77; and be it further

RESOLVED: That funding for expenditures under this grant shall be appropriated as follows:

FROM: A1450 439060 GE25 State Aid-Elections \$6,811.77

TO: A1450 540490 GE25 Election Expense \$6,811.77

And be it further

RESOLVED: That any unspent funds under this grant in FY2025 shall carry over to FY2026.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

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

REFERRED TO: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 368-25 APPROVE 2026 STOP DWI PLAN

WHEREAS: The New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee (GTSC) requires counties to submit an annual STOP DWI Plan by October 1st for the use of monies collected under the STOP DWI Program; and

WHEREAS: The STOP DWI Coordinator has submitted a 2026 STOP DWI Plan to the Tioga County Legislature for approval; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature hereby approves the 2026 STOP DWI Plan including the following budgeted appropriations:

 Enforcement
 \$10,500

 Prosecution Related
 \$2,500

 Probation
 \$5,000

 Rehabilitation
 \$2,500

 PI&E
 \$18,000

 Administration
 \$\_450

 \$38,950

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

Legislator Brown moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Ciotoli.

REFERRED TO: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 369-25 REQUESTING TIOGA COUNTY VETERANS' SERVICE

AGENCY BE ALLOWED TO EXCEED FOOD &

BEVERAGE PURCHASE GUIDELINES

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Veterans' Service Agency (TCVSA) conducts multiple community outreach events monthly and at these events provides food, beverages, and supplies to those in attendance as well as information on resources, benefits, and services available to veterans, military, and their families; and

WHEREAS: County Policy – Section III; Subsection H. Purchase of Food, Beverages, and Supplies limit expenses to \$150 per event; and

WHEREAS: The TCVSA will be holding the following event in December, with grant funds being used, that will exceed the \$150.00 per event limit, and requests to exceed the event limit must be made by resolution and require the approval of the County Legislature:

The 2025 Army-Navy Game (ARPA) - \$1000.00

Therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature allow the Tioga County Veterans' Service Agency to exceed the per event limit using grant funding as identified, noting that TCVSA will not exceed the total amount mentioned for each event above.

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

Legislator Standinger moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Flesher.

REFERRED TO: HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 370-25 APPROVE FUNDING

2026 YOUTH BUREAU PROGRAM FUNDING

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Legislature approves Youth Bureau program funding which is 100% reimbursable from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services; and

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Youth Board has reviewed 2026 applications for funding which are consistent with guidelines previously presented to the Legislative Committee; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the following programs recommended by the Tioga County Youth Board for program year October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026 be approved by the Tioga County Legislature in the amounts indicated:

Catholic Charities YESS	\$ 6,000
Cornell Cooperative Extension – FRC	\$ 1,300
Cornell Cooperative Extension – 4H	\$ 5,000
Kali's Klub House 7 Keys to Success	\$ 5,809
Lions Camp Badger	\$ 1,700
Northern Tioga Summer Recreation	\$ 2,000
Spencer-VanEtten PAVE	\$ 2,475
Ti-Ahwaga Community Players	\$ 5,000
Tioga County Council on the Arts	\$ 4,200
Tioga Central School Summer Recreation	\$ 7,000
Tioga County Child Advocacy Center	\$ 2,000
Town of Owego Summer Recreation	\$ 7,000
Tioga County Youth Bureau dues (required)	\$ 100
Total Youth Development Program Funds	\$49,584
Candor PTSA	\$15,054
Lions Camp Badger	\$10,160
Northern Tioga Summer Recreation	\$ 5,000

Total Youth Sports & Education Opportunity Funds

\$30,214

Candor PTSA Spencer-VanEtten Youth Association Waverly Recreation	\$ 9,219 \$10,000 \$ 5,000
Total Youth Team Sports Funds	\$24,219
GRAND TOTAL	\$104,017

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

FINANCE COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 371-25 APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS AND

**BUDGET MODIFICATION** 

WHEREAS: Tioga County Veterans Services' Agency (TCVSA) has been allocated state aid funding for the Dwyer Program and Mental Health Outreach (MHO) in the amount of \$109,037 and \$6,000, respectively, for 2025; and

WHEREAS: In the 2025 Budget the TCVSA Agency budgeted revenue for the Dwyer Program (A6510-427700-DP22) in the amount of \$104,000, and budgeted revenue for the MHO (A6510-427700-MHO) in the amount of \$6,000; and

WHEREAS: Additional revenue needs to be appropriated to A6510-427700-DP22 in the amount of \$5,037; and

WHEREAS: In the 2025 Budget the TCVSA Agency budgeted expense for the Dwyer Program and MHO in the amount of \$94,140.30 in various accounts under the DP22 project; and

WHEREAS: Additional expenses in the amount of \$20,896.70 needs to be appropriated to accounts under the DP22 project; and

WHEREAS: Appropriation of funds and budget modification requires Legislative approval; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That funding be appropriated as follows:

#### Revenue:

A6510-427700-DP22 Other Revenues-Dwyer PGM \$5,037.00

# Expense:

A6510-540487-DP22 Program Expense-Dwyer PGM \$5,000.00

A6510-510010-DP22 Fulltime-Dwyer Program \$15,896.70

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: FINANCE/LEGAL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 372-25 REQUEST FOR TRANSFER OF FUNDS

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

WHEREAS: The District Attorney's Office has a need to replace 3 chairs in our conference room and a desk chair for the new ADA; and

WHEREAS: The District Attorney's budget does not have funds in their equipment account; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the following sums be transferred from within the District Attorney's budget to cover the costs of the chairs:

From: A1165 540700 Transcripts \$495.40

To: A1165 520070 Chairs \$495.40

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

FINANCE/LEGAL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 373-25 AMEND 2025 BUDGET

CONTINGENCY TRANSFER REQUEST MEDICAL EXAMINERS & CORONERS

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Coroner's Office has reported a higher-thanexpected number of deaths and autopsy cases for 2025, and the A1185 Medical Examiners and Coroners expense accounts are projected to not have sufficient funds for the remainder of the year to cover the anticipated costs; and

WHEREAS: Funds will need to be transferred from the Tioga County Contingent account in order to accommodate the increasing number of cases as reported by the Tioga County Coroners; and

WHEREAS: Amending of the 2025 Budget and the appropriation of Contingent accounts require Legislative approval; therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature authorizes a transfer from the Contingency account as follows:

FROM: A1990 540715 Contingency Transfer \$25,000.00

TO: A1185 540370 Medical Expense \$25,000.00

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: FINANCE, LEGAL AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 374-25 AUTHORIZE APPOINTMENT OF

CASE MANAGER (PART TIME)
PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE

WHEREAS: Legislative approval is required for any appointment to a Management/Confidential position within Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: The Legislature has previously approved the creation of this new position to assist the Family Court Assistant Public Defender in providing services in FCA Article 10 cases; and

WHEREAS: The County has been awarded a Grant from NYS Office of Indigent Legal Services to fund the position for a three-year period; and

WHEREAS: The Public Defender has conducted a recruitment search and has identified a suitable desirable candidate for the position; and

WHEREAS: Michael A. Franz has ample training and over fifteen years of directly relevant experience to be successful in the position and can provide benefits to the clients of the office; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Public Defender is hereby authorized to provisionally appoint Michael A. Franz to the title of Case Manager (Part Time), pending successful completion of civil service examination requirements at an annual

Management/Confidential salary of \$29,500, effective October 20, 2025; and be it further

RESOLVED: That in accordance with Tioga County Employee Handbook Management/Confidential Benefits policy, Mr. Franz shall be eligible for any authorized 2026 Management/Confidential salary increase effective April 20, 2026, following a successful six-month evaluation; and be it further

RESOLVED: That this resolution will be null and void in the event that the Grant is withdrawn or is not renewed after the three-year period.

# ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 375-25 AUTHORIZE APPOINTMENT OF

DIRECTOR OF EMPLOYMENT &

TRANSITIONAL SUPPORTS

**SOCIAL SERVICES** 

WHEREAS: Legislative approval is required for any appointment to a Management/Confidential position within Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: The position of Director of Employment & Transitional Supports (\$67,446 - \$77,446) Management/Confidential) will become vacant within the Department of Social Services as of October 21, 2025; and

WHEREAS: Following recruitment efforts, the Commissioner of Social Services has identified a well-qualified candidate from within his Department which he would like to appoint to said title; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Commissioner of Social Services is authorized to provisionally appoint Tara Hauptfleisch as Director of Employment and Transitional Supports at an annual Management/Confidential salary of \$70,413 effective November 1, 2025, pending the successful completion of all civil service examination requirements; and be it further

RESOLVED: That in accordance with Tioga County Employee Handbook Management/Confidential Benefits policy, Ms. Hauptfleisch shall be eligible for any authorized 2026 Management/Confidential salary increase effective May 1, 2026, following a successful six-month evaluation.

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Brown moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Roberts.

REFERRED TO: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE FINANCE/LEGAL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 376-25 UNFUND (2) PART-TIME

ELECTION CLERK POSITIONS AND

CREATE (2) PART-TIME

ELECTION CLERK (SEASONAL) POSITIONS

**BOARD OF ELECTIONS** 

WHEREAS: Legislative approval is required to unfund and create any position within Tioga County; and

WHEREAS: Two (2) Part-Time Election Clerk positions have been vacant since September 10, 2025, due to lack of work; and

WHEREAS: Upon review of the department needs, the Election Commissioners decided they can better address staffing needs with clerks on an as-needed basis to handle periods of high volume for 2026 and submitted a New Position Duties Statement to the Personnel Department on August 14, 2025; and

WHEREAS: The Personnel Officer has determined the appropriate classification for said title be Election Clerk PT (Seasonal); and

WHEREAS: Unfunding the two (2) Part-Time Election Clerks positions will create available funding; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Legislature hereby authorizes the creation of two (2) Part-Time Election Clerk (Seasonal) positions, with a salary to be set by the Legislature for 2026, effective January 1, 2026; and be it further

RESOLVED: That (2) Part-Time Election Clerk positions shall be unfunded effective immediately.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

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

REFERRED TO: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 377-25 RECLASSIFY ONE FT ACCOUNTING

ASSOCIATE III POSITION TO

ONE PT ACCOUNTING ASSOCIATE III

PROBATION DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS: Legislative approval is required for all position reclassifications and funding of positions; and

WHEREAS: A full-time Accounting Associate III (CSEA Salary Grade VII; \$43,934) became vacant on June 20, 2025; and

WHEREAS: It has been determined that a part-time (up to 17 hours per week) Accounting Associate III position will better meet the needs of this agency; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the full-time Accounting Associate III be reclassified to a part-time Accounting Associate III effective October 20, 2025; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the hourly rate for the part-time Accounting Associate III shall be \$20.13; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the headcount for the Probation Department shall include 16 full-time and 2 part-time positions.

# ROLL CALL VOTE

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent - Legislator Aronstam.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Flesher moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Bunce.

REFERRED TO: PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 378-25 RECLASSIFY AND FILL UNFUNDED

VACANT PROBATION OFFICER 1 POSITION

PROBATION DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS: Legislative approval is required for all position reclassifications and funding of positions; and

WHEREAS: A full-time Unfunded Probation Officer 1 (2025 CSEA Salary Grade XII; \$55,354 - \$56,354) position has been unfunded and vacant since January 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS: The Probation Director submitted a New Position Duties Statement to the Personnel Officer on September 4, 2025, and it has been determined to reclassify the unfunded Probation Officer 1 to a funded full-time Probation Assistant (2025 CSEA Salary Grade VIII; \$46,435 - \$47,435) to better meet the needs of this agency; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That one unfunded full-time Probation Officer 1 shall be reclassified to a full-time funded Probation Assistant effective October 14, 2025, and filled in accordance with payroll requirements; and be it further

RESOLVED: That the headcount for the Probation Department shall remain unchanged.

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Standinger moved for the adoption of the following resolution, seconded by Legislator Flesher.

REFERRED TO: HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 379-25 AUTHORIZE DONATION OF TIME

**SOCIAL SERVICES** 

WHEREAS: Penelope Decker, Social Welfare Examiner at the Department of Social Services, has been diagnosed with a serious illness and will be out of work intermittently for an undetermined amount of time; and

WHEREAS: The Commissioner is in support of this employee being approved to receive donated time while out on medical leave; and

WHEREAS: Tioga County employees are willing to submit a request in writing to the Payroll Coordinator requesting to donate vacation time and compensatory time to this employee for her use; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That Penelope Decker has exhausted all her accrual time and shall have access to the time made available to her through employee donations to be paid through payroll following prior practices.

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Legislator Roberts made a motion to bring forth one (1) late-file resolution for Legislature consideration, seconded by Legislator Brown. Motion carried.

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

REFERRED TO: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES COMMITTEE

FINANCE, LEGAL & SAFETY COMMITTEE

RESOLUTION NO. 380-25 REQUESTING TIOGA COUNTY

VETERANS' SERVICE AGENCY BE ALLOWED TO ASSIST OWEGO MARINE CORPS LEAGUE

WITH THE TOYS FOR TOTS DRIVE 2025

WHEREAS: The Tioga County Veterans' Service Agency (TCVSA) regularly assists Tioga County Veteran Fraternal Organizations with their community-oriented outreach; and

WHEREAS: The Owego Marine Corps League is conducting their annual Toys for Tots Campaign, which last year approximately 2600 children in Tioga County benefited and received Christmas gifts from this annual drive; and

WHEREAS: The TCVSA is requesting to assist the Owego Marine Corps League by allowing gift receptacles to be placed in each County building that has public access. The Owego Marine Corps League will place the gift receptacles and retrieve them prior to Christmas; and

WHEREAS: All costs are incurred by the Owego Marine Corps League and there is no budgetary expense to Tioga County. TCVSA will assist with public outreach via social media and an email to all Tioga County employees advising them of the toy drive; therefore be it

RESOLVED: That the Tioga County Legislature allow the Tioga County Veterans' Service Agency to assist the Owego Marine Corps League in the 2025 Toys for Tots Drive.

Legislator Standinger spoke. "The Marine Corps puts a lot of effort into the Toys for Tots Program, and I think it is good that we can assist them in that endeavor by having receptacles, so I fully endorse their pursuit."

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

Yes – Legislators Ciotoli, Flesher, Monell, Roberts, Sauerbrey, Standinger, Brown, and Bunce.

No - None.

Absent – Legislator Aronstam.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

The meeting adjourned at 12:26 p.m.