

REGULAR SESSION, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2021

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The Legislature convened in Regular Session at 3:30 p.m. today.

The Legislature was called to order by Chairman Brescia with a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed by a moment of silence and remembrance of all those affected by the Coronavirus and the families of those who have unfortunately passed away.

On roll call, all members were present.

Chairman Brescia asked if there are no objections, agenda item nos. 22 through 32; and 34 and 35 will be voted on collectively.

Chairman Brescia asked if there were no objections some resolutions will be voted by voice vote and not by roll call and only respond if you are a no vote or abstention.

Public Participation will be postponed to a future Legislative Session but the public is invited to send their written comments via email to Jramppen@orangecountygov.com

Written comments were submitted by Alicia Franqui, New Windsor; Kelly Lauder, Jocelyn Greenhut-Figueroa, Joan Tirrell, Warwick; Greg Galluccio, Warwick; Kasey Laboy, Mickey Morgano, Goshen; Jessica Gocke, Crawford; Victoria Peebles, Cornwall on Hudson, which are part of the official record and filed with the Clerk of the Legislature.

By Ms. Bonelli:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of November 5th and November 12th, 2020 be approved. The motion was seconded by Mr. Vero and adopted. **ADOPTED.**

REPORTS:

The Orange County District Attorney's Annual Report 2020. Received and ordered placed on file.

The Orange County Board of Ethics Annual Report 2020. Received and ordered placed on file.

JOINT-RULES, ENACTMENTS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS AND PERSONNEL AND COMPENSATION COMMITTEES:

Sponsors: Hines, Cheney, Benton, Faggione

Co-Sponsors: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

RESOLUTION NO. 4 OF 2021

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF BETSY N. ABRAHAM AS LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2.07 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, Honorable L. Stephen Brescia, Chairman of the Orange County Legislature, has notified the County Legislature that he has appointed Betsy N. Abraham of Middletown, New York, 10941, as Legislative Counsel, at a salary permitted within the applicable grade of her title and within available appropriations.

RESOLVED, that said appointment be and the same hereby is confirmed and shall be effective as of February 5, 2021.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

Mr. Paduch stated that as a member of the leadership team, he sat in on one of the interviews, there were more than one with Ms. Abraham. She presented herself as a very personable, genuinely nice person. However, after reviewing her resume and the requirements outlined in the Legislative Manual, if appointed, she would become the sole legal adviser and representative of the Orange County Legislature which caused concern for him. Ms. Abraham's experience is as an associate attorney in personal injury law, not general municipal law. During the interview he asked Ms. Abraham about her general municipal law background and she may have a small amount of knowledge on it but not enough in his opinion. He asked if she had experience in budgets which contains millions of dollars and she stated that she did not have experience with budgets. He asked about her experience and knowledge regarding SEQRA or redistricting which we will be facing this year and she does not have that experience. He was concerned that as our Legislative Attorney she would need to rely on and be influenced by the County Attorney's office. He was also concerned that she has no knowledge regarding our history as a Legislature over the past concerns or issues we will face. He spoke with Commissioner Gross regarding the posting of the Legislative Attorney's job and he was told that it was only posted for a few days and at the request of Chairman Brescia, Commissioner Gross was asked to remove the job posting. He felt that they should have tabled the appointment until they have it posted for two weeks or more and receive additional resumes who may have seven years municipal experience. The proposed salary of \$115,000 he felt was too high. When Ms. Reed started in 2003, she was hired at \$84,000 and worked for sixteen years before reaching the salary of \$120,000 in 2019. He wished Ms. Abraham good luck in her new position and he looked forward to working with her and help mold her into the Legislative Attorney that they need. He planned to support her nomination.

Mr. Benton mentioned to Mr. Paduch that they are under no time restraints to have redistricting done this year.

Mr. Luján agreed with Mr. Paduch's comments. Ms. Abraham seems like an all around wonderful individual and does have some experience. He was hopeful that she would be a great addition and he planned to vote in favor of the appointment. He did not feel she had the qualifications for the position and he thought the salary was high. He was concerned about the short time frame the job was advertised for and it does not send a good message to Orange County residents when they seek positions that are filled within a couple of days. It is done with little scrutiny and shows nepotism. He was not sure what the relationship was with this individual, maybe there is not one, but he finds it to be a concern when someone is hired so quickly with little input from leadership. Especially since the background of what we need is not there. Similar to Minority Leader Paduch's remarks hopefully they can mold her in a direction that would suit all their needs, not just the Republican Caucus.

Mr. O'Donnell mentioned that to make comments about Ms. Abraham's qualifications and then vote yes for her, he was not sure is the right thing to do, but vote however you want. To say you are going to help mold an attorney when he did not think either of them had legal background. Good luck to Ms. Abraham because if she has twenty-one Legislators trying to mold her, she would not have time to do her job. If you ever need anything, just call them, but do not answer their calls in the first few weeks, just learn the job, he was sure she will do a good job.

Mr. Hines pointed out that the job description states either seven years of municipal experience or ten years general practice experience. Ms. Abraham has fifteen years as an attorney so she fits the standard as to what they are looking for. He did not think that there was an attorney who lives in the tri-state area who has a large amount of redistricting experience. He was thankful to Chairman Brescia who included him on one of the interviews with Ms. Abraham and she is very knowledgeable, great at research, he spoke to one of her references and she has an extensive trial background which will be helpful keeping them all in line. He wished her the best of luck in her career and wholeheartedly supported her.

Mr. Minuta stated that obviously Ms. Abraham has been vetted and she has the qualifications otherwise she would not be here. He echoed Mr. O'Donnell's comments, it is disingenuous to bash a person and then say they plan to vote for them.

Ms. Sutherland wanted to welcome Ms. Abraham to her new role with the Legislature. She felt it was extremely condescending to use the phrase, "we are going to mold her." She has the utmost confidence in her. It will be a learning curve for everybody.

Mr. Faggione complimented Chairman Brescia in observing article 2, section d, subsection IV in regard to the appointment. Chairman Brescia has gone above and beyond and out of his way to include leadership and other Legislators in this process, although it really is not a process because the Legislative Manual says the Chairman may appoint and the Legislature may approve. To involve leadership in the appointment, he complimented him on that. He congratulated Ms. Abraham on her appointment and he looked forward to working with her, and working with his colleagues with her to advance the good causes that are important in all of our communities and all of Orange County.

Mr. Paduch mentioned that Mr. Faggione was correct that it is Chairman Brescia's appointment but she serves at the pleasure of the Legislature. Regarding the molding comment, that was brought up by either Mr. Amo or Ms. Bonelli, it was not him and that was the word used to get her to work with all of them. He asked that all Democrats be added to the resolution supporting her for this position.

Mr. Amo stated that he supported Mr. Paduch's position and he would take credit for using the word "mold" because during the discussion they spoke about how they can help the new Legislative Counsel get in stride with them, so that was the word chosen, not meaning for it to be derogatory.

Ms. Bonelli stated that a comment was made earlier about the short time in which the Chairman made his selection when in fact he started pursuing candidates and interviewed numerous candidates with our previous Legislative Counsel. Then leadership was brought in for the interview process with Ms. Abraham. She did not want people to think this is the only person that was interviewed or the only person that was selected. There were other people interviewed with various backgrounds who were interested in the position, and it is a difficult position to fill. What they found out was that

those who may have been interested in the position, did not realize how unique the position is where some of them were used to litigation and having their day in court and this position does not call for that. Ms. Abraham fit the bill as far as what the job qualifications are for this but there were a lot of other people interviewed. In regard to the lack of experience, she too was concerned that the municipal experience was not there but after having the opportunity to interview with Ms. Abraham and weighing the fact that her litigation experience of fifteen years outweighs that.

Mr. Anagnostakis wished Ms. Abraham the best of luck in her position. If there is any advice he can give her upon all the advice she has been given so far, her loyalty always needs to be to the law, not to any political party where there is a majority or minority. He was sure she will succeed and do well.

Chairman Brescia thanked Mr. Anagnostakis for mentioning that. He pointed out that Ms. Abraham is a Democrat and she was going to be objective with all of them. He added that not only will Ms. Abraham be a great Legislative Attorney, she was going to be exceptional Legislative Attorney. There are twenty-eight duties on the job description for Legislative Attorney and before Ms. Reed was hired he was certain that she was not verse in many of them. Ms. Abraham read the Legislative Charter and Code, Rules of Order and Procedure and she educated herself on SEQRA and she has fifteen years in the legal field. Mr. Hines commented that if we do not hire her, he will. Chairman Brescia was not sure what Mr. Luján meant by nepotism, he and Ms. Abraham are not related. She used to work for a law firm years ago in the Village of Montgomery. He has not spoken to Ms. Abraham in about two or three years before she called him about the interview. He felt very confident that she will do a wonderful job.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21;

Noes 0;

Absent 0;

ADOPTED.

Ms. Abraham was thankful to be given the opportunity to take on the new role. She is very enthusiastic to begin officially and she is genuinely looking forward to working with everyone. Thank you.

Chairman Brescia pointed out that Ms. Abraham also comes from a minority background, although that is not the reason for her being appointed, he wanted to mention it because often the Republican party in government is accused of not having inclusion. He felt that this was a plus to have someone with minority background and it was a strong endorsement.

RULES, ENACTMENTS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE:

Certificate of the Clerk relative to placing on desks of Legislators copy of Local Law Introductory No. 1 of 2021 was presented to the Legislature. On motion the same was received and ordered placed on file.

Sponsors: Bonelli, Kulisek

Co-Sponsors: Paduch, Amo, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

A LOCAL LAW, BEING INTRODUCTORY NO. 1 OF 2021, ENTITLED "A LOCAL LAW AMENDING THE LAWS OF ORANGE COUNTY BY ADDING A NEW CHAPTER 685 ENTITLED 'THIRD PARTY FOOD-DELIVERY SERVICES'."

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21;

Noes 0;

Absent 0;

ENACTED.

(SEE LOCAL LAWS OF ORANGE COUNTY)

Sponsors: Faggione, Bonelli, Amo, Paduch, Cheney, Hines, Kulisek, Vero

Co-Sponsors: Benton, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Brescia

RESOLUTION NO. 5 OF 2021

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY AS BLACK HISTORY AWARENESS MONTH.

WHEREAS, since 1976, February has been recognized in America as Black History Month to celebrate the contributions of African Americans in our society and the world. Originally established in 1926 by Dr. Carter G. Woodson, the celebration began in order to bring national attention to the contributions of African Americans throughout American History. Woodson, whose parents were former slaves in the South, changed the consciousness of people regarding the true and positive place of "Black Americans" in history books; and

WHEREAS, since 1926, the Association for the Study of African American Life and History ("ASALH") has established the national theme for the month-long celebration. The 2021 National Black History Month theme is "The Black Family: Representation, Identity and Diversity". The black family has been a topic of study in many disciplines—history, literature, the visual arts and film studies, sociology, anthropology, and social policy. Its representation, identity, and diversity have been revered, stereotyped, and vilified from the days of slavery to our own time. The black family knows no single location, since family reunions and genetic-ancestry searches testify to the spread of family members across states, nations, and continents. Not only are individual black families diasporic, but Africa and the diaspora itself have been long portrayed as the black family at large. While the role of the black family has been described by some as a microcosm of the entire race, its complexity as the "foundation" of African American life and history can be seen in numerous debates over how to represent its meaning and typicality from a historical perspective—as slave or free, as patriarchal or matriarchal/matrifocal, as single-headed or dual-headed household, as extended or nuclear, as fictive kin or blood lineage, as legal or common law, and as black or interracial, etc.

Variation appears, as well, in discussions on the nature and impact of parenting, childhood, marriage, gender norms, sexuality, and incarceration. The family offers a rich tapestry of images for exploring the African American past and present.¹

NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Orange County Legislature recognizes February as Black History Awareness Month for Orange County; and we commend these sentiments to every citizen of Orange County that all might reflect upon the contributions of people of African descent to culture here in the United States.

Seconded by Mr. Ruszkiewicz.

Mr. Paduch commented that the 2021 Black History Month theme is "The Black Family: Representation, Identify and Diversity."

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Vero
Co-Sponsors: Benton, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Sutherland
Tautel, Tuohy, Brescia

RESOLUTION NO. 6 OF 2021

RESOLUTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY LEGISLATURE CALLING FOR PEACE AND UNITY.

WHEREAS, peaceful protests will always be a bedrock and fabric of a free and fair democracy; and

WHEREAS, the violent actions of January 6th at our nation's capitol building are, under any circumstances never justified, are hereby condemned, and all who participated in this unlawful conduct should be prosecuted to the full extent of the law; and

WHEREAS, there will be no end to the possibility of peaceful protests turning violent, resulting in death, serious injury, theft and destruction of property unless there is justice; and

WHEREAS, justice and respect for the law go hand in hand. Without swift and fair prosecution of those who turn peace to mayhem there will be no unity. There will be no justice. There will be no change; and

¹ Association for the Study of African American Life and History ("ASALH") the founders of Black History Month

WHEREAS, we wish and pray for President Biden's every success in unifying our country. We urge him to lead the way and put an end to this divisive rhetoric; and

WHEREAS, a free press is also a necessary and vital component of our society and therefore we need a return to bias free, factual reporting by all and not just some; and

WHEREAS, our country is deeply divided over our election process, we need a national commission to establish a fair and equitable voting system that eliminates voter suppression, insures that every vote is counted, eliminates voter fraud and guarantees confidence in our elections; and

WHEREAS, we in the Orange County Legislature pledge to lead by example to end divisive rhetoric, promote respect for the law, and work together with our local, state and federal elected officials to unify this great democracy we call the United States of America.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Orange County Legislature is hereby directed to send certified copies of this resolution to, Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo, Governor of the State of New York, the Honorable Andrea Stewart-Cousins, President-Majority Leader of the New York State Senate, Honorable Robert G. Ort, Minority Leader of the New York Senate, Honorable Carl E. Heastie, Speaker of the New York State Assembly, Honorable William A. Barclay, Minority Leader of the New York State Assembly and to all Senate and Assembly members whose districts include any or all of Orange County.

Seconded by Mr. Ruszkiewicz.

Mr. Paduch stated that he addressed this in the Rules, Enactments and Intergovernmental Relations Committee on January 10th and sent Chairman Faggione a request to have the resolution addressed at this meeting condemning the actions of the President and his enablers for incitement of insurrection at our Nations Capitol. He responded the next day stating that he would address it with the Republican Caucus and would advise accordingly.

Mr. Faggione requested Point of Order. He stated that this is not a discussion on an agenda item that is before them.

Chairman Brescia asked for Mr. Paduch to explain how his comments were relevant to the agenda item.

Mr. Paduch stated that they are talking about peace and unity without accountability and consequences. Mr. Faggione would not address it at the Rules, Enactments, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee where they could have had the discussion. Instead, they went with unity instead of accountability and consequences. He fully supported the resolution but he questioned why they moved right to unity before the accountability and consequences.

Mr. Minuta was not sure what was going on, if they are talking about unity, he is seeing more against it. Some fact checking should be done about who said what and when because he does not know that to be a fact.

Ms. Tautel supported the resolution although she wished they would have taken a stronger stance against the insurrectionists. In her view, the murders that happened in our Nation's Capitol, she felt they were taking too soft of an approach.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21;

Noes 0;

Absent 0;

ADOPTED.

Sponsor: Faggione

Co-Sponsors: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Hines, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Sutherland Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

"RESOLUTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY LEGISLATURE SUPPORTING LOCAL COMMUNITY EFFORTS TO END SOCIAL INJUSTICES AND TO BRING EQUALITY TO RESIDENTS OF ORANGE COUNTY."

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

Mr. Luján made a motion to amend **"RESOLUTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY LEGISLATURE SUPPORTING LOCAL COMMUNITY EFFORTS TO END SOCIAL INJUSTICES AND TO BRING EQUALITY TO RESIDENTS OF ORANGE COUNTY,"** seconded by Ms. Tautel.

Ms. Tautel shared her screen and displayed the resolution with proposed amendments.

Mr. Luján explained that everything in blue were the amendments that they were proposing. In the first paragraph they inserted, of the "Black Lives Matter" movement and to end social justice and to bring racial equality to the residents of Orange County, seconded by Ms. Tautel.

Mr. Luján addressed the next amendment in the first WHEREAS.

Chairman Brescia interjected and suggested they vote on each change, one at a time. If there were going to be any changes he did not think it would be to the entire resolution.

Mr. Luján agreed with Chairman Brescia and addressed the first proposed change in the first paragraph. He stated that the reason they placed "Black Lives Matter" movement was because he thought there was some confusion in discussions about the difference between an organization and the movement. "Black Lives Matter" as a movement includes a variety of different groups and individuals and is inclusive. They understood early on that the Republican Caucus might have, for whatever reason, their misgivings about an organization so they opened it up to make sure it was inclusive. They also wanted to include a number of other groups. The "Black Lives Matter" movement is currently up for a Noble Peace Prize so we want to emphasize that this is more than just an organization, it is a movement. Over the past year, this is what people have been chanting, not just about racism and discrimination, it is about people who feel united around this slogan and this symbol. To remove "Black Lives Matter" as a movement, we completely remove anything that this original resolution was about. When this resolution was first written it was about the "Black Lives

Matter” movement and for them to remove the title, the soul of the resolution would be disrespectful to communities of color who have been calling for racial justice and equity, but also remove the entirety of this resolution.

Chairman Brescia asked if there was any further discussion on the change to the first paragraph.

Ms. Tautel stated that it was being broken down into segments and her discussion was on the entire package as presented for changes.

Chairman Brescia stated that if there were going to be changes, it was not going to be to the entire resolution. Addressing it one by one at least there is a chance of making a change to some of the resolution.

Chairman Brescia asked if anyone objected to doing it that way, otherwise they can streamline it a different way.

Hearing no objections, Ms. Tautel continued with the discussion on the amendment.

Ms. Tautel stated that they are in the beginning of Black History Month and she believed that if they removed the “Black Lives Matter” movement it would be a complete and total disservice. There were peaceful protests for a change to end racism.

On roll call, Mr. Luján’s motion to amend the FIRST PARAGRAPH was defeated by the following vote:

Ayes: Paduch, Anagnostakis, Kulisek, **Luján**, Sierra, Tautel

Noes: Bonelli, Amo, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Minuta, O’Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 6;

Noes 15;

Absent 0;

DEFEATED.

Chairman Brescia stated that regarding the first WHEREAS, they talked about this in the Republican Caucus and Legislator O’Donnell had a good suggestion. He did not think any of them objected to George Floyd being in the first WHEREAS. Legislator O’Donnell’s suggestion could possibly pass the Legislature with this change and he asked if Mr. **Luján** would mind if Mr. O’Donnell addressed it first.

Mr. **Luján** was okay with Mr. O’Donnell presenting first.

Mr. O’Donnell stated that the only suggestion he had was on the (1-Amended), in the first WHEREAS. He explained that the George Floyd case is totally different than the tragic death of Breonna Taylor. George Floyd was killed with criminal intent. Recently, he read in the newspaper that the case is working its way through the court system. They found another person that was going to testify against Derek Chauvin, she had her neck knelt on by Derek Chauvin. The prosecutors in that case have also gone and tried to introduce two cases where then officer Chauvin moved people on their side as they were being transported back to the station or to jail, just to prove in court that Chauvin knew the difference between taking care of a prisoner and keeping them alive

as opposed to what he did to George Floyd. So that case is done with criminal intent and still going through the court system. Hopefully Derek Chauvin gets convicted and gets 25 to life. Breonna Taylor's case was just poor, poor police work. They did not do their homework when they investigated the apartment that they were doing the no-knock warrant on. There was an article in the New York Times on January 6th written by Richard Opell, Jr., Derrick Bryson Taylor, and Nicholas Bogel-Burroughs. The three of them corroborated on a very good article in the New York Times about the Breonna Taylor case. There has been one arrest, it went to the grand jury and Detective Brett Hankinson was indicted on three counts of wanton endangerment. He was the detective that shot blindly through a window into the apartment. Some of his shots went into another apartment next to Breonna Taylor's. There was no criminal intent on that case, those two names together, George Floyd and Breonna Taylor, does not do well for anybody's movement, they are totally different cases. Breonna Taylor has done a lot for police reform. Every police department now in the nation is going through review and how they perform. Louisville already got rid of no-knock warrants. The interesting part that he read in the January 6th article was that it was originally a no-knock warrant and then it was changed, he did not know how that happened. That article opened a few other questions to him. The suggestion he had was to substitute Breonna Taylor's name with the name of Walter Scott. Walter Scott was shot in the back as he was running from a police officer down in South Carolina. Then after the police officer shot Mr. Scott, he went over and tried to fabricate the crime scene and luckily there was independent video of him doing just that. That police officer is now in jail doing 20 or 25 years to life. Walter Scott's case is exactly like George Floyd. He did not know what "countless" means in the first WHEREAS paragraph. He would love to sit down and have a discussion on how it can be better on both sides. If anyone happened to watch Trey Gowdy last night, when he finished his show on Fox there was about five to six minutes where he displayed a picture of a police officer in South Carolina who he never had a chance to thank. Gowdy was a prosecutor down in South Carolina before he became a Congressman. He had the officer's picture and said that this was the police officer that worked with him when he was a prosecutor, he did a fantastic job, got a conviction on a murder case. When he went to see him after the defendant was found guilty, he had left the courtroom. He said he will have to make sure when he runs into him to thank him for all the hard work. Gowdy said, very emotionally, the next time he saw him was at his funeral. He was shot and killed in the line of duty. We must do better on both sides. We must do better with supporting the police and we must do better with supporting the minority community and how they deal with the police. You want amendments that speak for what we are trying to accomplish, especially now with the Breonna Taylor case. We just had two FBI Agents killed the day before yesterday; Special Agents Schwarzenberger and Alfin. He shared that he has been on no-knock warrants, they are not a cake walk, they are dangerous. What was interesting to him when he read the Louisville case, that changed to a no-knock warrant to a knock warrant, why did Louisville just get rid of no-knock warrants all together. Sometimes they help the person you are looking for as much as they help the police officers, so they do not do anything stupid. In this case, Breonna Taylor's boyfriend had a registered gun, legally held, everything speaks to him being a fine person, otherwise he would not have a registered gun and he did not hear them say, "police," so he shot. It looks like one shot then 25 shots came back their way and one of them hit Breonna Taylor, I think five of them hit her and unfortunately, she is dead. It should not have happened because of poor police work. There was no criminal intent so these are two different cases. He would be fine putting Walter Scott's name in place of Breonna Taylor but he did not think as tragic as her death is, it belongs in the same intent, there was no criminal intent for her tragic death as opposed to George Floyd and Walter Scott.

Chairman Brescia asked Mr. **Luján** if he was amenable to that change. He added that he did not see it passing without that change. He felt it was a compromise. He thought there would be support if Breonna Taylor's name was taken out because of the situation surrounding it. Everybody feels for her passing and sympathizes, but if you insert Walter Scott's name, he felt it would pass. He asked Mr. **Luján** what his feelings were on that.

Mr. **Luján** stated that there is a lot about what was mentioned in that case that he really agreed with, but there was a lot that he did not as well. Unfortunately, they did not pass the "Black Lives Matter" as a movement a moment ago, that for example, if we are talking about compromises, that would have been one that he felt would have been a real compromise. Second to that, is having Breonna Taylor's name listed, the reason why, when they look at the "Black Lives Matter" movement over this past year, you cannot talk about George Floyd without talking about Breonna Taylor; you simply cannot. If you ask anyone about social, racial, and economic justice, those are the two names that become symbols of that movement. It is not just about black men, it is about black women, and trans individuals. These are the things they can be adding and we can be talking about, Breonna Taylor was put in there for a reason. The 25 shots were made and Breonna Taylor was killed. No-knock warrant since then has been removed and the individuals were fired. It is very clear, as Legislator O'Donnell said, this was very bad police work. Imagine, this is happening while all the cameras were on, the whole world was paying attention to what was happening, particularly around law enforcement. He pointed out that when they talk about issues like "Black Lives Matter," it is not just about our relationship with police, but also all the other systems in which people of color are discriminated against, this is just one of them, one of the many power dynamics. He wanted to be very clear, when they talk about pairing "Black Lives Matter" to law enforcement, the power dynamics are completely different. People of color, for their entire history, do not have the same power dynamic. There is not that equity so we cannot talk about those things like they are on the same playing field because they are not. Breonna Taylor, once again, removing her, that is a symbol of individuals calling for change, removing her name would not be acceptable.

Chairman Brescia responded that Mr. **Luján** made his point and it is clear. He understood Mr. **Luján's** viewpoint. He did not see any compromise if that change is not made.

On roll call, Mr. **Luján** and Ms. Tautel's proposed amendments to the FIRST WHEREAS was defeated by the following vote:

Ayes: Paduch, Anagnostakis, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján**, Sierra, Tautel

Noes: Bonelli, Amo, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 7;

Noes 14;

Absent 0;

DEFEATED.

Ms. Tautel addressed the second WHEREAS paragraph and read the "Black Lives Matter" movement is being nominated for a Noble Peace Prize for their dedication towards ending systemic racism and their commitment to equity and justice for all.

On roll call, Ms. Tautel's motion to amend the SECOND WHEREAS was defeated by the following vote:

Ayes: Paduch, Anagnostakis, Kulisek, **Luján**, Sierra, Tautel

Noes: Bonelli, Amo, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 6; Noes 15; Absent 0; DEFEATED.

Chairman Brescia pointed out that since the second WHEREAS paragraph failed, the third WHEREAS will now be the second, the fourth will become the third, and so on.

Mr. Luján addressed the second WHEREAS amendment and stated to have bipartisan and work with everyone. They changed it to read, Orange County embraces the need to ensure our residents live more productive lives with all the guarantees given to them under the Constitution, while also acknowledging the immense barriers racism has created on communities of color. He added that it is important to recognize that the constitution is a pillar of our country, people of color have not always been a part of that, not always protected under the constitution. Woman and people of color were not able to vote, slavery was acceptable at one point in our Nation's history. We still see to this day that communities of color face racism so although there have been improvements, there is more work to be done and this change implies that.

Mr. Amo request Point of Order and asked Chairman Brescia that if he is requesting Legislators to voice their vote and be heard, all due respect to Mr. Anagnostakis. He knows what the Legislative Manual says but as Chairman, do you have the authority to enforce that. His concern was if someone is muted or slow taking off the mute button, it should not be implied a yes, we should know, especially on this issue with so many votes to the resolution.

Chairman Brescia was not certain that he did have the authority.

Mr. Luján request Point of Order and stated that if Mr. Anagnostakis had an issue, he could speak for himself. If he chose to be silent, the vote is his right. We, as Legislators, have no reason to dictate what other Legislators do, so we should respect his decision to be silent on his vote.

Chairman Brescia stated that Leader Amo has a good point and would get clarification on it. He does have the authority if we do not get someone's vote recorded properly we can have it corrected before the vote is over or by the end of the agenda.

Mr. Chapman read section 16A of the Legislative Manual, "every Legislator present when a question is stated from the Chair shall vote thereon unless excused by the Chair or unless he be directly interested in the question. Unless a Legislator expresses his vote in the negative the same will be recorded in the affirmative."

Chairman Brescia was aware of that because they addressed it with the abstentions. In the past twenty-seven years he has been with the Legislature, a silence has always been recorded as an aye. If they want to discuss it further at the Rules, Enactments, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee they can. He was not disputing Mr. Chapman's interpretation but for this vote, and since Leader Amo asked for it, he will clarify if someone is silent then it is an aye.

Mr. Chapman agreed with Chairman Brescia.

Chairman Brescia commented on the amendment and did not know why they would remove "We the People" out of the resolution. It has always been in the constitution and he was sure Legislator Faggione would be insulted by that. Even with women's suffrage and slavery and not allowed to vote, there were amendments to the constitution and it is all in the name of "We the People," so he is definitely opposed to that.

On roll call, Mr. **Luján's** motion to remove We the People in the SECOND WHEREAS was defeated by the following vote:

Ayes: Paduch, Anagnostakis, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján**, Sierra, Tautel

Noes: Bonelli, Amo, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 7; Noes 14; Absent 0; DEFEATED.

Ms. Tautel addressed the third amended WHEREAS removing in recognizing the power of our national spirit and the unifying strength of freedom and removing bullet point addressing the Diversity Intervention Initiative because they thought it had more to do with antisemitism and not racism. They also removed the bullet point addressing Orange County Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative Advisory Panel. That was a directive and an order from New York State that they had to pick, it is not something they initiated on their own so she did not think they should take credit for that.

Mr. Amo felt there was a misunderstanding with the Diversity Intervention Initiative. Although it was driven by some of the questions in the southern part of the county but if you read the Request for Proposal (RFP), it clearly talks about reducing tension among groups which would be applicable to any group, whether it be the black community with the police department in their town or village. It is not of different opinions, it is not a racial question.

Mr. Hines addressed the Police Reform and Reinvention Collaborative Advisory Panel. They had extensive meeting about this and it has been an ongoing process. He was appointed to be on the panel by the County Executive. Whether the governor told us to do it or not, it is still a lot of good work being done by various people from Mental Health, community organizations and we are taking many comments from the public. There is another meeting with more comments from the public so it is a very good initiative and he felt it should stay in.

Chairman Brescia agreed with both Leader Amo and Legislator Hines. Those two initiatives are perfect for this resolution. There were revisions that were done to the Diversity Intervention Initiative now includes more populations of black and brown communities so he thought it was perfect for the resolution.

Mr. **Luján** stated that the final version of the Diversity Intervention Initiative is aimed to be more inclusive but in its original version there was a clear focus and it is important. It was in their discussion which made the decision to have it removed since that they are seeing protests across the county and they felt it would be tone deaf of them not to include in the language in that proposal that would say they should also be doing something for the black and brown communities that have not felt included in certain processes. It was after the fact that they included more about racism but

until they see the work and if they address something about black and brown communities which we do not know if it will, he did not think they should include something about black and brown communities, addressing the problems and challenges of the barriers of black and brown communities when they have not had the work done yet. He respectfully disagreed with Mr. Hines, Chairman of the Public Safety and Emergency Services Committee because he listened in on those meetings and what he did not see in these discussions was a focus on racial issues, which was the original focus on the Police Reform. His concerns was they have an opportunity to showcase what they have done right but not enough about highlighting the concerns for communities of color. Minorities are overly jailed and he felt it was an important piece that was missing from the Executive Order 203. He was not comfortable including it but if they come out of the 203 Police Reform next month with amazing changes for communities of color, then they can add it.

Mr. Hines stated that the survey monkey that came back there was little to nothing in the survey that had to do with race. Most of the comments that came it were with respect to mental health and how police deal with mental health issues. Today's meeting, again, was mostly about mental health. They will have another meeting where the public can speak out and they will take verbal comments. The CALEA Accreditation that the Sheriff's Office has, has a racial bias component to it. Everyone on the Legislature knows, they have been CALEA certified long before he came to the Legislature. They do it well in the Sheriff's Office that is why he believed that is why those comments are not coming. They take pride in knowing that they did not get a lot of racial components. The Sheriff's are not out there policing as much as the local police who respond to the calls where the Sheriff's Office is the back up resource. He thought it can be included and it has a racial component to it and there are a lot of additions coming out and he thought everyone will be impressed when they are done.

Ms. Bonelli stated that she was opposed to having the Diversity Intervention Initiative removed. It is something that they actively participated in and yes, the foundation was originally based on the southeast part of the county and the tension there with the Hasidic community and their neighbors. They did, however, all recognize that there was something happening nationally so they wanted to make sure if they have the opportunity to look at projects that can help with the racial tension, especially in the City of Newburgh. She wanted to correct Mr. Luján and advised him that they are not waiting on the final RFP, it is out there and projects have been submitted by six Legislators, including himself. She was surprised there were not more proposals having to do with racial and social injustices and the two that were submitted were two broad painted brushes and did not focus on a specific issue that could help the black and brown communities in the City of Newburgh and other surrounding areas. To take that out would be a major disservice.

Mr. Luján stated that he submitted one of the proposals but one of the challenges about racism is how broad it is. Some might deny that systemic racism exists in Orange County but the fact that it does is very much present. In the City of Newburgh, they led the charge and hired a consultant that did intense research in their municipality to show how it can be better and less racially bias. That is the kind of work he thought they should be doing internally. If they are doing everything great that is wonderful but if not a diversity consultant can highlight things they can do different. Big and small businesses are hiring diversity officers in their organizations because they understand that they are experts in that field and making sure that their policies and procedures are linked to making sure that it is anti-racist.

On roll call, Ms. Tautel's motion to amend the THIRD WHEREAS was defeated by the following vote:

Ayes: Paduch, Anagnostakis, Kulisek, **Luján**, Sierra, Tautel

Noes: Bonelli, Amo, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 6; Noes 15; Absent 0; DEFEATED.

Chairman Brescia stated that the Republicans are seeing this for the first time, they received it last minute.

Ms. Tautel address the fourth WHEREAS on the second page of the resolution. She explained that they added in, WHEREAS, Orange County residents have made it clear through their calls, letters, emails, community forums and protests that we must be intentionally anti-racist in our actions at all levels of society if we wish to address the impact of systemic racism on communities of color.

On roll call, Ms. Tautel's motion to amend the FOURTH WHEREAS was defeated by the following vote:

Ayes: Paduch, Anagnostakis, Kulisek, **Luján**, Sierra, Tautel

Noes: Bonelli, Amo, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 6; Noes 15; Absent 0; DEFEATED.

Mr. **Luján** addressed the next WHEREAS and noted that they removed the word antisemitism. He stated that he would be happy to work with the Republican Caucus on a stand alone resolution on anti-Semitism because he believes it deserves it. There are not any statistics in the county or reports or any complaints made to the Human Rights Director in regard to anti-Semitism but we do know it is an issue. There are complaints with the Human Rights Director about racism, mental health, disabilities, and gender related complaints. The number one issue that is the highest are all related to racial issues. This resolution was about the black and brown communities, it was about the Black Lives Matters movement, it was about systemic racism, equity, and justice. That is what they believe the resolution should be focused on. If they want to create a resolution that is specific to antisemitism, he would proudly stand with all Legislators to offer that resolution. His family is Jewish, his mother is Jewish, his brother is Jewish so he did not want to hear any comments that the reason why they are trying to remove this is because they are attacking antisemitism. His Democratic Caucus is in agreement that antisemitism is a real problem in our society. There is discrimination among women, the LGBT community and they should follow through on individual resolutions for those.

Mr. O'Donnell found it hard to believe that Mr. Lujan has not seen or heard antisemitic actions. Only a few years ago the cemetery in Florida that was vandalized. There were numerous other cases against the Jewish community.

Mr. Paduch stated that as a member of the leadership team, they tried working towards a bipartisan resolution that they all could support. With minor changes and modification to the original resolution that was presented to Legislators which included the Black Lives Matters movement. He suggested that they agree and include the changes presented by the Republican leadership, many of which he can agree and support and incorporate them into the existing resolution as a sign of bipartisanship, apparently that is flatly denied. With no mention of the Black Lives Matter movement, which has captured the world's attention on social and racial injustices, he was not going to support his Republican colleagues watered down version to address this most important issue.

Mr. Amo felt that there was a lesson to be learned today. Chairman Brescia held a meeting with leadership to do some collaborative thinking. They were all excited that maybe there would be an opportunity to have an open discussion about things they want to change or what they want to do. They were willing to get together and make various recommendations to the full Legislature. What happened in that meeting was nothing like that. They were received a completely revised resolution and it was basically, "this is what we want," and there was no discussion. If they want to work together as a full Legislature, they need to start to think about how they can collaborate, how they can take everyone's interest and work on getting something good out it because they get no where if they start with positions. When someone comes in with a position and this is exactly what they want, they are in a situation where they will never get off their own position. They need to ask themselves what are their interests and if they asked that collectively, both with leadership and in statutory committees, what are the interests about the issue of our black and brown people, how they are being treated in Orange County, there could have been a whole different discussion. When you come in with a position, they immediately drew the line in the sand, and that was bad. They need to learn to get somewhere they need to come up with a collaborative solution.

Chairman Brescia recalled the same meeting and recalled it was basically a "take it or leave it," unfortunately.

Mr. Cheney stated that they all need to recognize is that the most important aspect of the resolution is the responsibility that they, as the Legislature, are taking in the second RESOLVED and that is what they need to focus on and make better, more specific going forward so they can make all parts of Orange County better.

Ms. Tautel commented that she originally thought that voting for the resolution that was approved in the Rules, Enactments and Intergovernmental Relations Committee meeting was better than nothing. After further reflection and many discussions about the resolution, she cannot support it because it was nothing. The original intent and strength of the message in the original resolution that she represented with her Democratic colleagues back in August has been watered down and they owe more than what was approved in the Rules, Enactments, and Intergovernmental Relations Committee to this issue. She heard a comment that someone had to be comfortable with the wording of the resolution, but the problem is, racism is not comfortable. A resolution on the issue cannot be presented as a pretty, soft little package. She appreciated the time that was taken today by all her colleagues but unfortunately, but she could not support the resolution because the amendments that were made are gone.

Mr. Luján shared the sentiments by Legislator Tautel. There was a moment where he thought if they were able to have a few things changed they would have unity. They just voted on a resolution

on peace and unity, and the irony is when he goes back to his community in the City of Newburgh and he tells them that they had to strip out "Black Lives Matters" from a resolution, how can he go to them and say that is okay. Removing the "Black Lives Matters" movement is a disgraceful action. He apologized for his strong language, but he truly feels disappointed that this was not able to happen. They ignored the countless calls for change by protestors across the country that proudly said "Black Lives Matter." There are many things he agreed with in the resolution although it has been watered down to the point that it has been. This is sad for communities of color that are not going to be heard in the resolution. He thanked everyone for taking the time for going through the resolution, unfortunately they were not able to come together on this. At the end of the day, that is why elections have consequences.

Mr. Faggione stated that one of the greatest things about America is that we live in a country where we do have the right to free speech and even the right to demonstrate peacefully. Those rights are guaranteed to us in the United States Constitution. He thanked Chairman Brescia for mentioning that he does take the United States Constitution document with him to every meeting, and it always sits closely to him. A vote in the affirmative today supports the following: "The Orange County Legislature recognizes the importance of the right to free speech and demonstration as essential to our nations identity, and to give unwavering support to the fight against racism, antisemitism and all forms of hatred." A vote of yes says that you give unwavering support to the fight against racism, antisemitism, and all forms of hatred. As Legislators Cheney stated, the RESOLVED paragraphs in the resolution say it clearly. The Orange County Legislature will provide fairness and equal treatment in the county's policies and procedures. He added that they had a good and open debate and dialogue in committee. They have a committee process for that reason. They do the work of the people in the committee and that work is then brought forward to the full Legislature every month. The debate was interesting today but he wanted to remind his colleagues once again, a vote in the affirmative gives your unwavering support against racism, antisemitism and all forms of hatred.

The resolution as originally presented follows:

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Noes: Paduch, Kulisek, Luján, Sierra, Tautel

Ayes 16;

Noes 5;

Absent 0;

ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Kulisek, Cheney, Amo

RESOLUTION NO. 8 OF 2021

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO THE ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF ETHICS, PURSUANT TO LOCAL LAW NO. 9 OF 2018.

WHEREAS, Honorable Steven M. Neuhaus, County Executive, has notified the County Legislature that he has made the following reappointments to the Orange County Board of Ethics:

REAPPOINTMENTS:

TERM EXPIRES:

Richard Golden
Campbell Hall, New York

December 31, 2023

Paul K. Johnson
Middletown, New York

December 31, 2023

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that said reappointments be and the same hereby are confirmed.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Amo, Kulisek, Cheney

RESOLUTION NO. 9 OF 2021

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO THE ORANGE COUNTY PLANNING BOARD, PURSUANT TO SECTION 9.03 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, Honorable Steven M. Neuhaus, County Executive, has notified the County Legislature that he has made the following reappointments to the Orange County Planning Board.

REAPPOINTMENTS:

TERM EXPIRES:

Cleveland J. Best
Middletown, New York

December 31, 2022

Elaine Page McClung
Goshen, New York

December 31, 2022

Michael P. Sweeton
Warwick, New York

December 31, 2022

Stuart Turner
Tuxedo Park, New York

December 31, 2023

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that said reappointments be and the same hereby are confirmed.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

JOINT-RULES, ENACTMENTS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS AND WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEES:

Sponsors: Faggione, Paduch, Benton, Bonelli, Kulisek
Co-Sponsors: Cheney, Hines, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

RESOLUTION NO. 10 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE OF ORANGE COUNTY TO SIGN THE RENEWAL SALES TAX AGREEMENT WITH THE CITIES OF NEWBURGH, MIDDLETOWN, AND PORT JERVIS.

WHEREAS, representatives of Orange County and the Cities of Newburgh, Middletown and Port Jervis have agreed upon a plan of distribution for a portion of the Orange County Sales and Compensating Use Tax; and

WHEREAS, said renewal Agreement is for the term March 1, 2021 to February 28, 2023.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that this renewal Agreement shall be approved by the Chairman of the Orange County Legislature prior to its execution by the County Executive; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Orange County Legislature, by this Resolution, authorizes the County Executive of Orange County to enter into said Agreement with the Cities of Newburgh, Middletown and Port Jervis, which Agreement shall provide for the distribution of a portion of the Orange County Sales and Compensating Use Tax, between the County, cities, towns and villages; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the allocation of Sales and Compensating Use Tax be made pursuant to Articles 28 and 29 of the Tax Law; and it is further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Mayor of the City of Newburgh, the Mayor of the City of Middletown, the Mayor of the City of Port Jervis, the New York State Department of Audit and Control, Taxation and Finance, to each town and to each village in Orange County, and to each and every other person, institution or agency which will further the purpose of this Resolution.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

JOINT-HUMAN SERVICES AND HEALTH AND MENTAL HEALTH AND RULES, ENACTMENTS AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS COMMITTEES:

Sponsors: Amo, Sutherland, Tuohy, Tautel, Paduch, Kulisek

Co-Sponsors: Bonelli, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Stegenga, Vero, Brescia

"RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE NEW YORK STATE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH TO ADJUST THE MEDICAID TRANSPORTATION REIMBURSEMENT FEE SCHEDULE FOR ORANGE COUNTY"

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

Mr. Amo requested to amend agenda item no. 9, **"RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE NEW YORK STATE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH TO ADJUST THE MEDICAID TRANSPORTATION REIMBURSEMENT FEE SCHEDULE FOR ORANGE COUNTY"** by adding **"WHEREAS**, the cost of providing Medicaid transportation for the residents of Orange County currently exceeds the New York State Health Department reimbursement rates. Companies providing these services experience financial shortfalls approaching their ability to continue offering such services. Many are considering withdrawing from the program or even going out of business. This would drastically affect the supply of vehicles for these services. As a result, Orange County residents will be unable to get the medical treatment needed which will severely affect their lives and potentially lead to premature mortalities," seconded by Ms. Bonelli.

Mr. Amo explained that since they passed this resolution in committee, he received a few letters from people who owned taxi companies who said that if this was not changed, they did not see how they can continue to provide the services to the residents of Orange County. The cost of gasoline and insurance has increased and the minimum wage they pay the drivers has increased, but the reimbursement has gone down.

On roll call, Mr. Amo's motion to amend the resolution passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Mr. Paduch complimented Mr. Amo for all the work that he did. Adding that last WHEREAS last minute was very important and he wanted to thank him for the leader that he is.

On roll call, the resolution as amended follows:

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE NEW YORK STATE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH TO ADJUST THE MEDICAID TRANSPORTATION REIMBURSEMENT FEE SCHEDULE FOR ORANGE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, Orange County consists of three (3) cities, twenty-one (21) towns, nineteen (19) villages and 812 square miles, which creates challenges for Orange County non-motorized residents to obtain transportation to medical appointments; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Health provides Medicaid transportation reimbursement fees to taxi, livery and van services that participate in the state's program; and

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of this Legislature, that in Orange County, the pick-up and drop-off state Medicaid reimbursement fee for taxi, livery and van service is \$4.11, while in the three contiguous counties, the pick-up and drop-off fee is \$10.55 for Rockland County, \$10.91 for Ulster County, \$10.35 for Sullivan County, and neighboring Westchester County with the rate of \$20.00. The rate per mile in Orange County is \$1.86, far below the rates in contiguous counties and neighboring Westchester County.

WHEREAS, the cost of providing Medicaid transportation for the residents of Orange County currently exceeds the New York State Health Department reimbursement rates. Companies providing these services experience financial shortfalls approaching their ability to continue offering such services. Many are considering withdrawing from the program or even going out of business. This would drastically affect the supply of vehicles for these services. As a result, Orange County residents will be unable to get the medical treatment needed which will severely affect their lives and potentially lead to premature mortalities.

NOW THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, that, We, the Orange County Legislature, respectfully request that the Commissioner of Health, review the Medicaid transportation reimbursement fees for Orange County and adjust such fees upwards to be compatible with contiguous counties fee schedule rates; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby authorized to forward certified copies of this resolution to Commissioner Howard Zucker, M.D. New York State Department of Health, to each member of the State Senate and Assembly whose districts include all or part of Orange County and to the Orange County Commissioners of Health and Mental Health and Social Services.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21;

Noes 0;

Absent 0;

ADOPTED.

HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE:

Sponsors: Sutherland, Amo, Tautel

RESOLUTION NO. 12 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ORANGE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, ON BEHALF OF THE ORANGE COUNTY OFFICE FOR THE AGING, TO ENTER INTO INTER-MUNICIPAL AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ORANGE AND THE TOWN OF BLOOMING GROVE AND THE TOWN OF WARWICK, PURSUANT TO GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW SECTION 119-0.

WHEREAS, the Orange County Office for the Aging is requesting authorization for the County of Orange to enter into Inter-municipal Agreements with the Town of Blooming Grove and the Town of Warwick to operate the Senior Dining Program on behalf of the Office for the Aging within their respective areas. The term for each of these agreements is January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Orange County Legislature, duly convened does hereby

RESOLVE, that the Orange County Executive, on behalf of the Orange County Office for the Aging, is hereby authorized to enter into Inter-municipal Agreements with the Town of Blooming Grove and the Town of Warwick to operate the Senior Dining Program on behalf of the Office for the Aging within their respective areas for the term of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, and to execute any and all other papers required in connection with said Agreements, subject to review thereof by the County Attorney for purposes of form and content.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21;

Noes 0;

Absent 0;

ADOPTED.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMITTEE:

Sponsors: Amo, Hines, Stegenga, Vero, Faggione, Sierra, Sassi, Luján

Co-Sponsors: Paduch, Kulisek, Tautel, Tuohy

RESOLUTION NO. 13 OF 2021

RESOLUTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY LEGISLATURE CALLING FOR TRANSPARENCY IN THE DISTRIBUTION OF COVID-19 VACCINE AND DATA RELATING THERETO.

WHEREAS, the COVID 19 pandemic has been a source of death and economic destruction around the world; and

WHEREAS, the successful development of a vaccine has been a great source of hope celebrated here in Orange County and around the world; and

WHEREAS, local data about actual vaccination of New York State and Orange County residents is critical to our local ability to respond, timely plan, and coordinate vaccine education outreach; and

WHEREAS, Orange County residents wish to have a transparent process for allocation and distribution of vaccines; and

WHEREAS, people of Orange County wish to have a transparent process for documentation and reporting of local vaccine administration; and

WHEREAS, transparency requires that the State of New York and medical providers be able to tell the public how much vaccine has been authorized for various providers and how many Orange County residents have been vaccinated; and

WHEREAS, County Legislators have been advised that the State has repeatedly indicated it would create a website to track and share information about which local entities have been allocated how much vaccine, but have not done so; and

WHEREAS, Alarmingly, some vaccine providers have been told based on information shared with the Orange County Department of Health that those providers are or have been expressly prohibited from sharing information with their local health department on actual doses of vaccine provided to local providers and patients vaccinated locally; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature believes that keeping such information from the public causes public distrust of the vaccination process and fails to put forward full information the public is entitled to; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that this Legislative Body calls upon the State of New York to immediately and publicly report the amount of vaccine made available to various providers and number of patients vaccinated each day across the State of New York, specifically in Orange County to better enable the public to gain access to the vaccine and create confidence in the transparency of the process of obtaining the vaccine locally; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Orange County Legislature is hereby directed to send a certified copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Governor of New York State, the New York State Commissioner of Health and all Members of the New York State Legislature who represent Orange County.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21;

Noes 0;

Absent 0;

ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Faggione, Stegenga

RESOLUTION NO. 14 OF 2021

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO THE ORANGE COUNTY POLICE ADVISORY BOARD, PURSUANT TO SECTION 18.07A OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, Honorable Steven M. Neuhaus, County Executive, has notified the County Legislature that he has made the following reappointments to the Orange County Police Advisory Board.

REAPPOINTMENTS:

TERM EXPIRES:

Kevin W. Hines, Legislator
Cornwall, New York

December 31, 2023

Brian S. Zaccaro, Chief
Village of Washingtonville Police Department
Washingtonville, New York

December 31, 2023

Carl E. DuBois, Orange County Sheriff
Goshen, New York

December 31, 2023

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that said reappointments be and the same hereby are confirmed.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Sassi, Luján

RESOLUTION NO. 15 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES, PURSUANT TO SECTION 99-h OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW AND SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the Orange County Sheriff's Office is requesting to accept and appropriate funding from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services in the amount of \$15,000.00. Said funds will be used to assist in purchasing Fingerprint Equipment and software; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to accept and appropriate said funds for the Orange County Sheriff's Office as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That the County Executive, in conjunction with the Orange County Sheriff, be and hereby is authorized to accept funds in the amount of \$15,000.00 from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services to be used to purchase Fingerprint Equipment and software as indicated above.

2. That the 2021 budget for the Orange County Sheriff's Office is hereby amended and supplemented as shown below, and the Commissioner of Finance, together with the Director of Budget, be and hereby is authorized to make such amendment and supplementation forthwith.

3. That the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute all necessary documents and assurances necessary to carry out the purposes of this Resolution subject to the review thereof by the County Attorney for purposes of form and content.

Revenue:

1010	311033	440891	General Government Aid	\$15,000.00
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Expense:

1010	311033	585012	Equipment	\$15,000.00
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Seconded by Mr. Vero.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján**, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21;

Noes 0;

Absent 0;

ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Sassi, Luján

RESOLUTION NO. 16 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ORANGE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION, TO ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE FUNDS FROM THE NEW YORK STATE DIVISION OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE SERVICES, PURSUANT TO SECTION 99-h OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW AND SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services (DCJS) has offered funds, provided through the New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee (GTSC), for the Ignition Interlock Device Monitoring program in the amount of \$42,156.00 to support probation supervision

monitoring services, and will be provided contingent upon the availability of funds. The funding will be for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to accept and appropriate said funds for the Department of Probation as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That the County Executive, in conjunction with the Commissioner of Probation, be and hereby is authorized to accept funds from the New York State Division of Criminal Justice Services, through the New York State Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee, in the amount of \$42,156.00 for the Ignition Interlock Device Monitoring program as indicated above.

2. That the 2021 budget for the Department of Probation is hereby amended and supplemented as shown below, and the Commissioner of Finance, together with the Director of Budget, be and hereby is authorized to make such amendment and supplementation forthwith.

3. That the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute all necessary documents and assurances necessary to carry out the purposes of this Resolution subject to the review thereof by the County Attorney for purposes of form and content.

Revenue:

1010 314013 430891 State Aid \$42,156.00

Expense:

1010 314013 583800 Specialty Equipment \$42,156.00

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O’Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

PHYSICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE:

Sponsors: Tuohy, Bonelli

RESOLUTION NO. 17 OF 2021

RESOLUTION ADOPTING FINAL SCOPE FOR ORANGE COUNTY SEWER DISTRICT NO. 1, HARRIMAN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT LONGEVITY IMPROVEMENTS AND CAPACITY EXPANSION.

WHEREAS, the Orange County Legislature is the governing body of the Orange County Sewer District No. 1; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature in such capacity is contemplating various improvements to the Harriman Wastewater Treatment Plant including both longevity improvements designed to enhance operational efficiency and an overall expansion of capacity (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the County Legislature has determined that it may seek State or Federal financial assistance for the potential improvements and accordingly has determined that the Project should be classified as a Type 1 Action under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), 6 NYCRR Part 617.4; and

WHEREAS, a coordinated review for Lead Agency status was initiated by the County Legislature of Orange County on May 7, 2020 and the County Legislature, having received no objections from involved agencies declared itself the Lead Agency on August 6, 2020 for purposes of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the County of Orange reviewed Part 1 of the Long Environmental Assessment Form (EAF) and the Draft Facility Plan and completed Part 2 of the EAF resulting in a Positive Declaration as a Determination of Significance embodied in Part 3 of the EAF adopted on August 6, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Orange County Legislature accepted a Draft Scope in relation to the SEQRA review of the Project on August 6, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the County of Orange held a public scoping session on September 3, 2020 pursuant to the Notice of SEQRA Public Scoping Session also adopted August 6, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature on September 3, 2020 orally and thereafter in writing received various comments relating to the Draft Scope; and

WHEREAS, revisions were made to the Draft Scope and a proposed Final Scoping document "Final Scope" is on file with the Clerk of the Orange County Legislature.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature of the County of Orange on behalf of and as the Governing Board of Orange County Sewer District No. 1 adopts the Final Scope for preparation of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Project (Proposed Action) in the form on file with the Clerk of the Legislature; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the County Legislature shall provide a copy of the Final Scope to the Commissioner of the Orange County Department of Public Works and to all Involved Agencies under SEQRA and to any individual or entity that has expressed an interest in writing to the County Legislature as Lead Agency; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the provision of the address of an electronic link where such Final Scope may be found and accessed shall constitute the provision of such Final Scope unless the recipient thereof requests a paper copy thereof in writing.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

Mr. Tuohy thanked all the members of the Orange County Sewer District No. 1 Advisory Committee. He thanked the experts and all those who took the time to respond to their public comment periods as well as his fellow Legislators. As they vote on the final scoping document, they will move on to the draft environmental impact statement phase and move both the longevity and expansion projects at the Harriman WWTP forward. He respectfully requests his fellow Legislators to vote yes on these worthy projects.

Chairman Brescia commended Mr. Tuohy on his work as Chairman of Orange County Sewer District No. 1 Advisory Committee and the committee members. He also thanked the supervisors and mayors from the towns and villages too.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján**, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

PHYSICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE:

Sponsors: Kulisek, Bonelli
Co-Sponsor: Ruszkiewicz

RESOLUTION NO. 18 OF 2021

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT AND APPOINTMENT BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ORANGE COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, PURSUANT TO SECTION 18.07 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, Honorable Steven M. Neuhaus, County Executive, has notified the County Legislature that he has made the following reappointment and appointment to the Board of Directors of the Orange County Soil and Water Conservation District.

REAPPOINTMENT:

John Wright (At-large member)
Warwick, New York

TERM EXPIRES:

December 31, 2023

APPOINTMENT:

Kathy Stegenga (Legislator)
Washingtonville, New York

December 31, 2021

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that said reappointment and appointment be and the same hereby are confirmed.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21;

Noes 0;

Absent 0;

ADOPTED.

JOINT-PHYSICAL SERVICES AND WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEES:

Sponsors: Kulisek, Ruskiewicz, Benton, Hines

RESOLUTION NO. 19 OF 2021

BOND RESOLUTION DATED FEBRUARY 4, 2021

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF ORANGE, NEW YORK, AUTHORIZING THE PARTIAL RECONSTRUCTION OF VARIOUS COUNTY ROADS (STRENGTH PAVING), STATING THE ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST THEREOF IS \$1,300,000; APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$1,300,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF ORANGE, NEW YORK (by the affirmative vote of not less than two thirds of the voting strength of said Legislature), **AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The County of Orange, New York (herein called "County"), is hereby authorized to establish a new capital project for the Department of Public Works consisting of the reconstruction of various County roads (strength paving), all as more particularly described in the County's 2021 Capital Plan, as amended. The estimated maximum cost of said object or purpose, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, is \$1,300,000, and said amount is hereby appropriated therefor. The plan of financing includes the issuance of \$1,300,000 bonds of the County and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such bonds to finance said appropriation, the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property in the County to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds and notes.

Section 2. Bonds of the County in the principal amount of \$1,300,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called "Law"), to finance said appropriation said appropriation.

Section 3. The period of probable usefulness of the object or purpose for which said \$1,300,000 bonds herein authorized are to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 20(c) of the Law, is fifteen (15) years.

Section 4. The County intends to finance, and the Commissioner of Finance of the County is hereby authorized to advance such amounts as are necessary to pay the costs of the objects or purposes described in Section 1 hereof prior to the issuance of the bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized out of any available funds of the County, on an interim basis, which amounts are reasonably expected to be reimbursed with the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the County, pursuant to this Resolution, in the total amount of bonds herein authorized. This Resolution is a declaration of official intent adopted pursuant to the requirements of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2.

Section 5. Each of the bonds authorized by this Resolution and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale thereof shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by §52.00 of said Local Finance Law and said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds shall be general obligations of the County of Orange, payable as to both principal and interest by general tax upon all the taxable real property within the County. The faith and credit of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds or the renewals of said notes, and provision shall be made annually in the budgets of the County by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the notes and bonds to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 6. Subject to the provisions of this Resolution and of the Law, and pursuant to the provisions of §30.00 relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes or the renewals thereof, and of §§50.00, 56.00 to 60.00 and 168.00 of said Law, the powers and duties of the County Legislature relative to authorizing the issuance of any notes in anticipation of the sale of the bonds herein authorized, or the renewals thereof, relative to providing for substantially level or declining annual debt service, relative to prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of the respective amounts of bonds herein authorized, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds or the renewals of said notes, and relative to executing agreements for credit enhancement, are hereby delegated to the Commissioner of Finance of the County, as the chief fiscal officer of the County.

Section 7. The validity of the bonds authorized by this Resolution, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

(a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the County is not authorized to expend money, or

(b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of this Resolution, or a summary hereof, are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

(c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 8. The Clerk of the Orange County Legislature is hereby directed to publish the foregoing bond resolution in summary, in The Orange County Post published in Vails Gate, New York; the Warwick Advertiser-Photo News, published in Chester, New York; the Warwick Valley Dispatch, published in Warwick, New York; News of the Highlands, Inc., published in Cornwall, New York; Times Community Newspapers, published in Newburgh, New York; and Hudson Valley Press, published in Newburgh, New York, the official newspapers of the County for such publication, together with a notice in substantially the form prescribed in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law of the State of New York.

Section 9. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

Mr. Faggione thanked all the county employees who kept the highways safe and open this past week. Those men and women who work for the county did a great service this week.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21;

Noes 0;

Absent 0;

ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Kulisek, Benton, Sutherland, Minuta

RESOLUTION NO. 20 OF 2021

BOND RESOLUTION DATED FEBRUARY 4, 2021

BOND RESOLUTION OF THE COUNTY OF ORANGE, NEW YORK, AUTHORIZING THE REPLACEMENT AND UPGRADING OF THE IRRIGATION CENTRAL PUMPING STATION AT THE HICKORY HILL GOLF COURSE, STATING THE ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THEREOF IS \$165,000; APPROPRIATING SAID AMOUNT THEREFOR; AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$165,000 BONDS OF THE COUNTY TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION.

RESOLVED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF THE COUNTY OF ORANGE, NEW YORK (by the affirmative vote of not less than two thirds of the voting strength of said Legislature), **AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The County of Orange, New York (herein called "County"), is hereby authorized to establish a new capital project for the Department of Parks for the replacement and upgrading of the irrigation central pumping station at the Hickory Hill Golf Course. The estimated total cost of said object or purpose, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, is \$165,000, and said amount is hereby appropriated therefor. The plan of financing includes the issuance of \$165,000 bonds of the County and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale of such bonds to finance said appropriation, the levy and collection of taxes on all the taxable real property in the County to pay the principal of and interest on said bonds and notes.

Section 2. Bonds of the County in the principal amount of \$165,000 are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called "Law"), to finance said appropriation.

Section 3. The period of probable usefulness of the object or purpose for which said \$165,000 bonds herein authorized are to be issued, within the limitations of Section 11.00 a. 54 of the Law, is fifteen (15) years.

Section 4. The County intends to finance, and the Commissioner of Finance of the County is hereby authorized to advance such amounts as are necessary to pay the costs of the objects or purposes described in Section 1 hereof prior to the issuance of the bonds or bond anticipation notes authorized out of any available funds of the County, on an interim basis, which amounts are reasonably expected to be reimbursed with the proceeds of debt to be incurred by the County, pursuant to this Resolution, in the total amount of bonds herein authorized. This Resolution is a declaration of official intent adopted pursuant to the requirements of Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2.

Section 5. Each of the bonds authorized by this Resolution and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the sale thereof shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by **§52.00** of said Local Finance Law and said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation of said bonds shall be general obligations of the County of Orange, payable as to both principal and interest by general tax upon all the taxable real property within the County. The faith and credit of the County are hereby irrevocably pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on said bonds and any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds or the renewals of said notes, and provision shall be made annually in the budgets of the County by appropriation for (a) the amortization and redemption of the notes and bonds to mature in such year and (b) the payment of interest to be due and payable in such year.

Section 6. Subject to the provisions of this Resolution and of the Law, and pursuant to the provisions of **§30.00** relative to the authorization of the issuance of bond anticipation notes or the renewals thereof, and of **§§50.00**, 56.00 to 60.00 and 168.00 of said Law, the powers and duties of the County Legislature relative to authorizing the issuance of any notes in anticipation of the sale of the bonds herein authorized, or the renewals thereof, relative to providing for substantially level or declining annual debt service, relative to prescribing the terms, form and contents and as to the sale and issuance of the respective amounts of bonds herein authorized, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds or the renewals of said notes, and relative to executing agreements for credit enhancement, are hereby delegated to the Commissioner of Finance of the County, as the chief fiscal officer of the County.

Section 7. The validity of the bonds authorized by this Resolution, and of any notes issued in anticipation of the sale of said bonds, may be contested only if:

(a) such obligations are authorized for an object or purpose for which the County is not authorized to expend money, or

(b) the provisions of law which should be complied with at the date of the publication of this Resolution, or a summary hereof, are not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or

proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of such publication, or

(c) such obligations are authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution.

Section 8. The Clerk of the Orange County Legislature is hereby directed to publish the foregoing bond resolution in summary, in The Orange County Post published in Vails Gate, New York; the Warwick Advertiser-Photo News, published in Chester, New York; the Warwick Valley Dispatch, published in Warwick, New York; News of the Highlands, Inc., published in Cornwall, New York; Times Community Newspapers, published in Newburgh, New York; and Hudson Valley Press, published in Newburgh, New York, the official newspapers of the County for such publication, together with a notice in substantially the form prescribed in Section 81.00 of the Local Finance Law of the State of New York.

Section 9. This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

Mr. Paduch mentioned that it was stated in committee that the \$165,000 was coming from segment III of the Heritage Trail. He asked why that is not stated in the resolution and why is it now bonding instead.

Mr. Cheney explained that it was still coming from bonding but it was a transfer of funds and they were going to replace it next year when they do the capital plan.

Mr. Paduch wanted to make sure that it was on record that the money was going to be replaced.

Ms. Tautel felt that the money would be better spent on something that everyone can enjoy, like the Heritage Trail, not everyone golfs. They are spending \$165,000 in a tight budget year and they had to dip into "their savings" to bring in the budget under the tax cap. She asked a few times, they never see exactly how much money they expend out and get back. She did not think what they are spending on their golf courses are a good return on their investment. They should consider using the money for something everyone can participate in.

Chairman Brescia disagreed with Ms. Tautel. He explained that this year when they needed revenue more than ever, it was a fantastic year and they need to take care of the "cash cow," at least for this year. During the pandemic, golfers were going out which brought in revenue to Orange County.

Mr. Cheney explained that they looked at this about five years ago and it took a few years to see what the costs would be. They can take another look and bring the information to the full Legislature as to what the golf course is costing. They made an investment and there is a lot of infrastructure that needs to be maintained. If you do not have the ability to irrigate your golf course you will lose the infrastructure and you will lose golfers and then you lose revenue. It is a spiral problem that would continue.

Mr. Minuta thanked Mr. Cheney for his guidance. Anything you own you need to maintain and those costs do not stop regardless. He sits on the Physical Services committee and they scrutinize items that come before them. This is a benefit to the county. Not every golfer used the Heritage Trail and not every visitor to the Heritage Trail is going to use the golf course. They give something for everyone.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE:

Sponsors: Benton, Paduch

RESOLUTION NO. 21 OF 2021

RESOLUTION MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION TO THE 2020 ORANGE COUNTY BUDGET FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to provide funds for various County Departments to cover the 2020 year-end balances, and in order to accomplish said purpose does wish to supplement the 2020 budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that the 2020 budget for Orange County is hereby supplemented by the appropriations listed on Schedule "A", and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance is hereby authorized to make such modifications forthwith.

SCHEDULE "A"

FUND	ORG		Rev	Exp
			410011	586601
1010	101001	Legislative Board	Taxation/Employee Benefits \$ (31,765)	\$ (31,765)
1010	116503	General Operations DA	Taxation/Employee Benefits \$ (96,213)	\$ (96,213)
1010	118501	Medical Examiner and Coroners	Taxation/Employee Benefits \$ (10,917)	\$ (10,917)
1010	123001	County Executive	Taxation/Employee Benefits \$ (14,888)	\$ (14,888)
1010	131001	Accounting	Taxation/Employee Benefits \$ (43,538)	\$ (43,538)
1010	134001	Budget Division	Taxation/Employee Benefits \$ (11,356)	\$ (11,356)
1010	134501	Purchasing	Taxation/Employee Benefits \$ (52,438)	\$ (52,438)
1010	135501	Tax Map	Taxation/Employee Benefits \$ (26,673)	\$ (26,673)
1010	141004	County Clerk – Motor Vehicles	Taxation/Employee Benefits \$ (84,656)	\$ (84,656)

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1010	142002	Law – DSS	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (57,992)	\$ (57,992)
1010	143002	Empl. Relations & Compensation	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (30,193)	\$ (30,193)
1010	145001	Board of Elections	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (18,761)	\$ (18,761)
1010	147001	Board of Ethics	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (84)	\$ (84)
1010	149001	DPW Administration	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (224,573)	\$ (224,573)
1010	162002	Buildings	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (43,538)	\$ (43,538)
1010	301001	Public Safety Administration	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (5,085)	\$ (5,085)
1010	302001	Public Safety Comm. System	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (74,529)	\$ (74,529)
1010	311024	Transportation	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (235,118)	\$ (235,118)
1010	314013	Probation – Adult Criminal Unit	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (114,910)	\$ (114,910)
1010	315014	Jail – Facility Housing	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (501,191)	\$ (501,191)
1010	341002	Fire Coordinator	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (5,339)	\$ (5,339)
1010	364001	Civil Defense – Grants	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (999)	\$ (999)
1010	364002	Civil Defense Administration	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (5,652)	\$ (5,652)
1010	398901	EMT	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (376)	\$ (376)
1010	398902	Police Services	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (1,048)	\$ (1,048)
1010	401002	Public Health Administration	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (142,163)	\$ (142,163)
1010	405901	Early Intervention Program	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (12,982)	\$ (12,982)
1010	432001	Administration	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (91,812)	\$ (91,812)
1800	513001	Machinery	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (23,666)	\$ (23,666)
1400	561001	Airport	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (11,871)	\$ (11,871)
3100	601301	CSEU / SCU	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (88,826)	\$ (88,826)
1010	651001	Veteran Services	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (9,946)	\$ (9,946)
1010	661001	Consumer Affairs	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (10,161)	\$ (10,161)
1010	677301	Nutrition – County Sites	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (52,594)	\$ (52,594)
1010	698901	EDZ	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (2,669)	\$ (2,669)
3100	702101	Administration/Support	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (533,102)	\$ (533,102)
1010	711001	Parks	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (36,442)	\$ (36,442)
1010	718001	Stony Ford Golf	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (6,389)	\$ (6,389)
1010	718002	Warwick Golf	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (5,168)	\$ (5,168)
1010	731001	Youth Programs – Administration	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (6,794)	\$ (6,794)
1010	751001	Historian	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (2,145)	\$ (2,145)
1010	802002	Planning Administration	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (24,721)	\$ (24,721)
1010	804001	Human Rights	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (1,505)	\$ (1,505)
1500	816001	Refuse and Garbage	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (44,876)	\$ (44,876)
1010	881001	Veteran Cemetery	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ (336)	\$ (336)
1010	906001	Hosp	Taxation/Employee Benefits	\$ 2,800,000	\$ 2,800,000

SCHEDULE "A"

FUND	ORG		Rev	Exp
1010	677301	Nutrition Cty Sites	410011 Taxation	\$143,015
1010	677301	Nutrition Cty Sites	576470 Sub Contractors	\$143,015
1010	199001	Contingency	410011 Taxation	(\$23,515)
1010	199001	Contingency	579880 Prov for Contingency	(\$23,515)
1010	198001	Payment of MTA Payroll Tax	410011 Taxation	\$ 10,200
1010	198001	Payment of MTA Payroll Tax	578990 Assessment	\$ 10,200
1010	564001	RR Station Maintenance	410011 Taxation	\$ 13,315
1010	564001	RR Station Maintenance	579500 Cty Contribution	\$ 13,315

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Benton, Bonelli
Co-Sponsor: Paduch

RESOLUTION NO. 22 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH CERTAIN ORANGE COUNTY MUNICIPALITIES PROVIDING FOR THE EXEMPTION FROM COUNTY TAXATION OF LANDS OWNED AND USED BY THEM FOR WATER SUPPLY AND RELATED PURPOSES, PURSUANT TO SECTION 406(3) OF REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW.

WHEREAS, Section 406(3) Real Property Tax Law does provide that upon agreement of a taxing agency, property owned by a municipal corporation used for water supply and related purposes may be exempt from the imposing of certain taxes thereon; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature has considered the requests of the several municipalities listed herein for exemptions from County taxation relative to lands owned and/or used by them for such water supply and related purposes; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to authorize the County Executive to enter into an agreement in writing with said municipalities providing for the exemption of these properties from County taxation.

RESOLVED, that the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to enter into and execute such agreements as may be necessary to exempt the properties set forth in the annexed schedule from the imposition of County taxes, said properties being owned and/or used by the stated municipalities for water supply and related purposes; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the exemption granted hereby shall be effective for the year 2022; and it is further

RESOLVED, that prior to the execution of any such contract by the County Executive, the County Attorney shall review the same as to form and content.

SCHEDULE A

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City of Middletown | Town of Wallkill | 999 - 1 - 21
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Village of Cornwall-on-Hudson	Town of New Windsor	65 - 1 - 20
Village of Goshen	Town of Goshen	13 - 1 - 32.61
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	Town of Wallkill	61 - 1 - 43
Village of Highland Falls	Town of Highlands	1 - 1 - 2
Village of Kiryas Joel	Town & Village of Woodbury	213 - 1 - 64.1
	Town & Village of Woodbury	213 - 1 - 49
	Town & Village of Woodbury	02 - 1 - 19
	Town & Village of Woodbury	999 - 7 - 2
	Town & Village of Woodbury	999 - 7 - 1
	Town of Monroe	2 - 1 - 20
	Town of Monroe	2 - 1 - 22
	Town of Monroe	2 - 1 - 23
	Village of Monroe	216 - 1 - 46.21
	Town of Cornwall	36 - 1 - 56
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		2 - 1 - 24.21
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Seconded by Mr. Vero.
 The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsors: **Benton, Anagnostakis**

RESOLUTION NO. 23 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PRIVATE SALE AND CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN COUNTY OWNED LANDS ACQUIRED BY REASON OF A FAILURE TO REDEEM SAID LANDS FROM A TAX SALE TO ORANGE COUNTY, PURSUANT TO SECTION 1018(4) OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW AND ORANGE COUNTY AMENDED LOCAL LAW NO. 2 OF 2010.

WHEREAS, this Legislature has enacted Local Law No. 9 of 1979 (as last amended by Local Law No. 2 of 2010), authorizing the sale of certain lands owned by the County by reason of default in taxes and a subsequent failure to redeem from a resulting tax sale to Orange County; and

WHEREAS, the parcels not sold at said sale were to be offered at a private sale, subject to the confirmation of this Legislature; and

WHEREAS, offers for several said parcels have been accepted by the Commissioner of Finance; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has recommended that the sales be confirmed by this Legislature.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. That the parcels hereinafter listed be sold to the offering parties, upon receipt by the Commissioner of Finance of Orange County of the amounts set forth in either cash or good certified check by 5:00 p.m., March 8, 2021, as indicated below.

2. That upon the receipt of said sums, the County Executive is hereby authorized to execute a Quitclaim Deed of Conveyance of the properties listed below and deliver the same to the offering party.

<u>PARCEL</u>	<u>BIDDER</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF BID NET TO COUNTY</u>
Blooming Grove 28-11-4	Mikhail Pasternak 370 Ponfield Place Ridgewood, NJ 07450	\$ 3,000.00
Deerpark 21-18-3	Jian Lu & Yan Hui Lu 5 Field Road Otisville, NY 10963	\$13,688.00
Monroe 15-6-4.2	55 Throop LLC 55 Throop Ave. Apt. 2D Brooklyn, NY 11206	\$16,500.00
Warwick 101-5-21.1	SCI Management Inc. 25 Allih Way #520 Spring Valley, NY 10977	\$15,000.00
Montgomery 12-1-48.2	Town of Montgomery 110 Bracken Road Montgomery, NY 12549	\$13,970.00
Mount Hope 5-1-22	Town of Mount Hope 1706 Route 211 West Otisville, NY 10963	\$ 1,630.55

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruskiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsor: Benton

RESOLUTION NO. 24 OF 2021

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE CORRECTION OF CERTAIN ERRORS APPEARING ON THE 2021 TAX ROLLS FOR CERTAIN TOWNS AND DISTRICTS AND ORDERING THE CORRECTION OF SAID ERRORS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 554 OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW.

WHEREAS, the County Director of the Real Property Tax Service Agency has transmitted his reports to the County Legislature on certain applications for correction of clerical errors appearing in the 2021 tax rolls for certain towns and districts together with his recommendations thereon, all as required by Section 554 of the Real Property Tax Law as summarized below.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That said reports of the Director of the Real Property Tax Service Agency are hereby approved.
2. That the taxes levied and extended upon said parcels be and the same hereby are decreased in the manner and to the extent set forth in said reports of the Director, as shown below.

FOR THE YEAR 2021

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>		<u>REASON</u>		
Town of Blooming Grove 20-1-10	Brian & Michelle Krutchkoff		550-2(h) Clerical Error School taxes relievied in error.		
	<u>Now Reads</u>		<u>Should Be</u>		<u>Amount of DECREASE</u>
County	96,800	\$ 2,333.97	96,800	\$2,333.97	\$ 0.00
Town	96,800	\$ 1,670.28	96,800	\$1,670.28	\$ 0.00
Highway	96,800	\$ 684.59	96,800	\$ 684.59	\$ 0.00
PT Town	96,800	\$ 1,109.10	96,800	\$1,109.10	\$ 0.00
Sch Relevy		\$16,469.83		\$ 0.00	\$16,469.83
BG ambul dist	96,800	\$ 153.07	96,800	\$ 153.07	\$ 0.00
Washingtonville FD	96,800	\$ 551.42	96,800	\$ 551.42	\$ 0.00
Town wide refuse		<u>\$ 194.44</u>		<u>\$ 194.44</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
		\$23,166.70		\$6,696.87	\$16,469.83

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsor: Benton

RESOLUTION NO. 25 OF 2021

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE CORRECTION OF CERTAIN ERRORS APPEARING ON THE 2021 TAX ROLLS FOR CERTAIN TOWNS AND DISTRICTS AND ORDERING THE CORRECTION OF SAID ERRORS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 554 OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW.

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<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>REASON</u>
Town of Chester 19-4-4	George Jimenez	550-2(h) Clerical Error School taxes paid on time; taxes re-levied on on County/Town tax bill in error

	<u>Now Reads</u>	<u>Should Be</u>	<u>Amount of DECREASE</u>
County	139,300 \$ 905.06	139,300 \$ 905.06	\$ 0.00
Town	139,300 \$ 715.90	139,300 \$ 715.90	\$ 0.00
Highway	139,300 \$ 227.42	139,300 \$ 227.42	\$ 0.00
PT Town	139,300 \$ 667.65	139,300 \$ 667.65	\$ 0.00
Chester Library	139,300 \$ 109.09	139,300 \$ 109.09	\$ 0.00
Sch Relevy	\$5,000.26	\$ 0.00	\$5,000.26
Chester Fire	139,300 \$ 223.70	139,300 \$ 223.70	\$ 0.00

Town refuse	10	\$ 179.75	10	\$ 179.75	\$ 0.00
Cons swr o&m	10	\$ 572.39	10	\$ 572.39	\$ 0.00
Sirrey mdws wtr	139,300	<u>\$ 166.64</u>	139,300	<u>\$ 166.64</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
		\$8,767.86		\$3,767.60	\$5,000.26

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsor: Benton

RESOLUTION NO. 26 OF 2021

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE CORRECTION OF CERTAIN ERRORS APPEARING ON THE 2021 TAX ROLLS FOR CERTAIN TOWNS AND DISTRICTS AND ORDERING THE CORRECTION OF SAID ERRORS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 554 OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW.

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<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>REASON</u>
Town of Chester 102-1-7	Viorel and Adriana Festinger	550-2(h) Clerical Error School taxes paid on time; taxes re-levied on on County/Town tax bill in error

	<u>Now Reads</u>		<u>Should Be</u>		<u>Amount of DECREASE</u>
County	84,500	\$ 549.01	84,500	\$ 549.01	\$ 0.00
Town	84,500	\$ 434.27	84,500	\$ 434.27	\$ 0.00
Chester Library	84,500	\$ 66.17	84,500	\$ 66.17	\$ 0.00
Sch Relevy		\$3,550.24		\$ 0.00	\$3,550.24
Chester Fire	84,500	\$ 135.70	84,500	\$ 135.70	\$ 0.00
Town refuse	10	<u>\$ 179.75</u>	10	<u>\$ 179.75</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
		\$4,915.14		\$1,364.90	\$3,550.24

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsor: **Benton**

RESOLUTION NO. 27 OF 2021

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE CORRECTION OF CERTAIN ERRORS APPEARING ON THE 2021 TAX ROLLS FOR CERTAIN TOWNS AND DISTRICTS AND ORDERING THE CORRECTION OF SAID ERRORS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 554 OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW.

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FOR THE YEAR 2021

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>REASON</u>			
Town of Chester 125-1-1.-650	Giovanni Aiosa	550-2(h) Clerical Error School taxes paid on time; taxes re-levied on on County/Town tax bill in error			
		<u>Now Reads</u>		<u>Should Be</u>	<u>Amount of DECREASE</u>
County	76,000	\$ 493.79	76,000	\$ 493.79	\$ 0.00
Town	76,000	\$ 390.59	76,000	\$ 390.59	\$ 0.00
Chester Library	76,000	\$ 59.52	76,000	\$ 59.52	\$ 0.00
Sch Relevy		\$3,193.10		\$ 0.00	\$3,193.10
Chester Fire	76,000	<u>\$ 122.05</u>	76,000	<u>\$ 122.05</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
		\$4,259.05		\$1,065.95	\$3,193.10

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsor: Benton

RESOLUTION NO. 28 OF 2021

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE CORRECTION OF CERTAIN ERRORS APPEARING ON THE 2021 TAX ROLLS FOR CERTAIN TOWNS AND DISTRICTS AND ORDERING THE CORRECTION OF SAID ERRORS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 554 OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW.

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<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>REASON</u>			
Town of Crawford 8-1-26.2	Lawrence M. & Joanne K. Caufield	550-2(h) Clerical Error School taxes releived in error.			
		<u>Now Reads</u>		<u>Should Be</u>	<u>Amount of DECREASE</u>
County	75,800	\$ 766.47	75,800	\$ 766.47	\$ 0.00
Town	75,800	\$ 630.96	75,800	\$ 630.96	\$ 0.00
Highway	75,800	\$ 476.29	75,800	\$ 476.29	\$ 0.00
Sch Relevy		\$5,141.67		\$ 0.00	\$5,141.67
Pine Bush fire	75,800	\$ 252.14	75,800	\$ 252.14	\$ 0.00
Pine Bush Area Lib	75,800	\$ 44.71	75,800	\$ 44.71	\$ 0.00
Crawford swr 1		\$ 772.05		\$ 772.05	\$ 0.00
Pine Bush water		<u>\$ 611.26</u>		<u>\$ 611.26</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
		\$8,695.55		\$3,553.88	\$5,141.67

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsor: Benton

RESOLUTION NO. 29 OF 2021

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE CORRECTION OF CERTAIN ERRORS APPEARING ON THE 2021 TAX ROLLS FOR CERTAIN TOWNS AND DISTRICTS AND ORDERING THE CORRECTION OF SAID ERRORS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 554 OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW.

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FOR THE YEAR 2021

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>		<u>REASON</u>		
Town of Crawford 22-1-32.81	Richard Depew, David Depew, Stephen Depew, Brian Depew		550-2(h) Clerical Error School taxes relevelled in error.		
	<u>Now Reads</u>		<u>Should Be</u>		<u>Amount of DECREASE</u>
County	41,900	\$ 423.68	41,900	\$ 423.68	\$ 0.00
Town	41,900	\$ 348.78	41,900	\$ 348.78	\$ 0.00
Highway	41,900	\$ 263.28	41,900	\$ 263.28	\$ 0.00
Sch Relevy		\$2,842.17		\$ 0.00	\$2,842.17
Bullville fire	41,900	\$ 170.99	41,900	\$ 170.99	\$ 0.00
Pine Bush Area Lib	41,900	\$ 24.71	41,900	\$ 24.71	\$ 0.00
		\$4,073.61		\$1,231.44	\$2,842.17

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsor: Benton

RESOLUTION NO. 30 OF 2021

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE CORRECTION OF CERTAIN ERRORS APPEARING ON THE 2021 TAX ROLLS FOR CERTAIN TOWNS AND DISTRICTS AND ORDERING THE CORRECTION OF SAID ERRORS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 554 OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW.

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FOR THE YEAR 2021

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>REASON</u>			
Town of Montgomery 309-22-18	James R. & Megan Robinson	550-2(h) Clerical Error Village taxes relieved in error.			
	<u>Now Reads</u> _____	<u>Should Be</u> _____	<u>Amount of DECREASE</u>		
County	113,100 \$ 691.79	113,100 \$ 691.79	\$ 0.00		
Town	113,100 \$ 161.56	113,100 \$ 161.56	\$ 0.00		
Vill Relevy	\$2,833.49	\$ 0.00	\$2,833.49		
Walden Fire	113,100 \$ <u>180.60</u>	113,100 \$ <u>180.60</u>	\$ <u>0.00</u>		
	\$3,867.44	\$1,033.95	\$2,833.49		

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; **ADOPTED.**

Sponsor: Benton

RESOLUTION NO. 31 OF 2021

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE CORRECTION OF CERTAIN ERRORS APPEARING ON THE 2021 TAX ROLLS FOR CERTAIN TOWNS AND DISTRICTS AND ORDERING THE CORRECTION OF SAID ERRORS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 554 OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW.

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FOR THE YEAR 2021

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>REASON</u>
Town of Tuxedo 6-1-23	Palisades Interstate Park Commission	550-7(d) Unlawful Entry The 2020 transition assessment has not been approved by NYS for tax in special districts.

	<u>Now Reads</u>	<u>Should Be</u>	<u>Amount of DECREASE</u>
County	445,030 \$ 9,787.63	445,030 \$ 9,787.63	\$ 0.00
Town	445,030 \$ 6,905.04	445,030 \$ 6,905.04	\$ 0.00
Highway	445,030 \$ 2,291.77	445,030 \$ 2,291.77	\$ 0.00
PT Town	445,030 \$ 8,296.16	445,030 \$ 8,269.16	\$ 0.00
Tux joint fire	445,030 \$ 1,969.08	0 \$ 0.00	\$1,969.08
Tuxedo Library	445,030 \$ 1,297.89	0 \$ 0.00	\$1,297.89
Tuxedo refuse 2	<u>\$ 281.74</u>	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	<u>\$ 281.74</u>
	\$30,829.31	\$27,280.60	\$3,548.71

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsor: Benton

RESOLUTION NO. 32 OF 2021

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPLICATIONS FOR THE CORRECTION OF CERTAIN ERRORS APPEARING ON THE 2021 TAX ROLLS FOR CERTAIN TOWNS AND DISTRICTS AND ORDERING THE CORRECTION OF SAID ERRORS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 554 OF THE REAL PROPERTY TAX LAW.

WHEREAS, the County Director of the Real Property Tax Service Agency has transmitted his reports to the County Legislature on certain applications for correction of clerical errors appearing in the 2021 tax rolls for certain towns and districts together with his recommendations thereon, all as required by Section 554 of the Real Property Tax Law as summarized below.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That said reports of the Director of the Real Property Tax Service Agency are hereby approved.
2. That the taxes levied and extended upon said parcels be and the same hereby are decreased in the manner and to the extent set forth in said reports of the Director, as shown below.

FOR THE YEAR 2021

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>REASON</u>
Town of Tuxedo 999-5-6	State of New York Transition Assessment	550-7(d) Unlawful Entry The 2020 transition assessment has not been approved by NYS for County/Town tax.

	<u>Now Reads</u>	<u>Should Be</u>	<u>Amount of DECREASE</u>
County	212,200 \$ 4,666.96	0	\$ 4,666.96
Town	212,200 \$ 3,292.47	0	\$ 3,292.47
Highway	212,200 \$ 1,092.77	0	\$ 1,092.77
PT Town	212,200 \$ 3,955.79	0	\$ 3,955.79
Tux joint fire	76,250 \$ 337.38	0	\$ 337.38
Tuxedo Library	212,200 \$ 618.86	0	\$ 618.86
	\$13,964.23	\$0.00	\$13,964.23

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsor: Benton

RESOLUTION NO. 33 OF 2021

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FOR THE YEAR 2021

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>REASON</u>			
Town of Woodbury 203-1-12.5	NYS Dept. of Environmental Conservation	550-7(d) Unlawful Entry The 2020 transition assessment has not been approved by NYS for County/Town tax.			
	<u>Now Reads</u>		<u>Should Be</u>		<u>Amount of DECREASE</u>
County	562,900	\$ 5,601.59	0	\$0.00	\$ 5,601.59
Town	562,900	\$ 3,019.85	0	\$0.00	\$ 3,019.85
Gen Police Svcs	562,900	<u>\$ 3,555.22</u>	0	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$ 3,555.22</u>
		\$12,176.66		\$0.00	\$12,176.66

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsor: Benton

RESOLUTION NO. 34 OF 2021

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FOR THE YEAR 2021

<u>PROPERTY</u>	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>REASON</u>			
Town of Woodbury 203-1-11.22	Palisades Interstate Park Commission	550-7(d) Unlawful Entry The 2020 transition assessment has not been approved by NYS for County/Town tax.			
		<u>Now Reads</u>	<u>Should Be</u>		<u>Amount of DECREASE</u>
County	267,700	\$2,663.96	0	\$0.00	\$2,663.96
Town	267,700	\$1,436.16	0	\$0.00	\$1,436.16

Gen Police Svcs	267,700	<u>\$1,690.77</u>	0	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$1,690.77</u>
		\$5,790.89		\$0.00	\$5,790.89

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján**, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

PERSONNEL AND COMPENSATION COMMITTEE:

Sponsors: **Luján, Stegenga**
Co-Sponsors: **Vero, Kulisek, Tuohy, Sierra, Ruszkiewicz, Tautel**

RESOLUTION NO. 35 OF 2021

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO THE ORANGE COUNTY HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION.

WHEREAS, Honorable Steven M. Neuhaus, County Executive, has notified the County Legislature that he has made the following reappointments to the Orange County Human Rights Commission.

REAPPOINTMENTS:

TERM EXPIRES:

Nolly Climes
Campbell Hall, New York

June 30, 2023

Patricia Claiborne
Middletown, New York

June 30, 2023

Frank P. Kimler
Walden, New York

June 30, 2023

Douglas J. Hovey
Newburgh, New York

June 30, 2023

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that said reappointments be and the same hereby are confirmed.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján**, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21;

Noes 0;

Absent 0;

ADOPTED.

EDUCATION AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE:

Sponsors: Sassi, Tautel

Co-Sponsors: Paduch, Kulisek, Luján, Sierra

RESOLUTION NO. 36 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ORANGE COUNTY YOUTH BUREAU, TO ACCEPT ADDITIONAL FUNDING FROM THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, PURSUANT TO SECTION 99-h OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW AND SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Children and Family Services has offered additional funding in the amount of \$130.00 for the Runaway Homeless Youth (RHY) program for the 2020 year, bringing the total funding to \$65,344.00; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to accept said additional funds for the Youth Bureau as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, as follows:

1. That the County Executive, in conjunction with the Director of the Youth Bureau, be and hereby is authorized to accept additional funds from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services in the amount of \$130.00 for the Runaway Homeless Youth program as indicated above.
2. That the 2020 budget for the Youth Bureau is hereby amended and supplemented as shown below, and the Commissioner of Finance, together with the Director of Budget, be and hereby is authorized to make such amendment and supplementation forthwith.
3. That the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute all necessary documents and assurances necessary to carry out the purposes of this Resolution subject to the review thereof by the County Attorney for purposes of form and content.

Revenue:

1010	731002	438201	Youth Programs – State Aid	\$130.00
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Expense:

1010	731002	574420	RHYA Shelter Payment	\$130.00
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Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Sassi, Stegenga, Tautel
Co-Sponsors: Paduch, Kulisek, Luján, Sierra

RESOLUTION NO. 37 OF 2021

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ORANGE COUNTY YOUTH BUREAU, TO ACCEPT ADDITIONAL FUNDING FROM THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, PURSUANT TO SECTION 99-h OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW AND SECTION 4.09 OF THE ORANGE COUNTY CHARTER.

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Children and Family Services has offered additional funding in the amount of \$36,533.00 for the Youth Development Program for the 2020 year, bringing the total funding to \$374,390.00; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature does wish to accept said additional funds for the Youth Bureau as indicated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, as follows:

- 1. That the County Executive, in conjunction with the Director of the Youth Bureau, be and hereby is authorized to accept additional funds from the New York State Office of Children and Family Services in the amount of \$36,533.00 for the Youth Development Program as indicated above.
2. That the 2020 budget for the Youth Bureau is hereby amended and supplemented as shown below, and the Commissioner of Finance, together with the Director of Budget, be and hereby is authorized to make such amendment and supplementation forthwith.
3. That the County Executive be and hereby is authorized to execute all necessary documents and assurances necessary to carry out the purposes of this Resolution subject to the review thereof by the County Attorney for purposes of form and content.

Revenue:

1010 731002 438201 Youth Programs – State Aid \$36,533.00

Expense:

1010 731002 574150 YDDP Program Payment \$36,533.00

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Tautel, Stegenga

RESOLUTION NO. 38 OF 2021

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENTS BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO THE ORANGE COUNTY FOREIGN TRADE ZONE MANAGEMENT BOARD.

WHEREAS, Honorable Steven M. Neuhaus, County Executive, has notified the County Legislature that he has made the following reappointments to the Orange County Foreign Trade Zone Management Board.

REAPPOINTMENTS:

TERM EXPIRES:

Leigh Benton
Newburgh, New York

December 31, 2021

John S. Vero
Chester, New York

December 31, 2021

Alicia D'Amico
Highland Mills, New York

December 31, 2021

Mike Grady
Goshen, New York

December 31, 2022

F. Edward Devitt
Montgomery, New York

December 31, 2023

James E. Monroe
Montgomery, New York

December 31, 2023

Donna Conklin
New Windsor, New York

December 31, 2023

A. Alan Seidman
Salisbury Mills, New York

December 31, 2023

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that said reappointments be and the same hereby are confirmed.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Stegenga, Tautel
Co-Sponsors: Paduch, Kulisek, Luján, Sierra, Ruszkiewicz

RESOLUTION NO. 39 OF 2021

RESOLUTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY LEGISLATURE CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ORANGE COUNTY LEGISLATURE TO THE ORANGE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 856 AND 912 OF THE GENERAL MUNICIPAL LAW.

WHEREAS, Honorable L. Stephen Brescia, Chairman of the Orange County Legislature, has notified the County Legislature that he has made the following reappointment to the Orange County Industrial Development Agency:

REAPPOINTMENT

TERM EXPIRES

Michael E. Gaydos
Newburgh, New York

December 31, 2025

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that, in accordance with Section 856, subdivision 2, of the General Municipal Law, the Clerk of the County Legislature is directed to transmit a certificate of the reappointment of the said Michael E. Gaydos to the Secretary of State together with a certified copy of this Resolution.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Sponsors: Stegenga, Tautel
Co-Sponsors: Paduch, Kulisek, Luján, Sierra

RESOLUTION NO. 40 OF 2021

RESOLUTION OF THE ORANGE COUNTY LEGISLATURE CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE ORANGE COUNTY LEGISLATURE TO THE ORANGE COUNTY FUNDING CORPORATION, A LOCAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AUTHORIZED PURSUANT TO SECTION 1411 OF THE NEW YORK STATE NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION LAW.

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 125 of 2010 authorized the creation of the Orange County Funding Corporation, a local development corporation authorized by New York State Not for Profit Corporation Law Section 1411; and

WHEREAS, Honorable L. Stephen Brescia, Chairman of the Orange County Legislature, has notified the County Legislature that he has made the following reappointment to the Orange County Funding Corporation:

REAPPOINTMENT

TERM EXPIRES

Michael E. Gaydos
Newburgh, New York

December 31, 2025

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby

RESOLVED, that Michael E. Gaydos, of Newburgh, New York be and he hereby is reappointed a board member of the Orange County Funding Corporation.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Sponsor: Brescia

RESOLUTION NO. 41 OF 2021

RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS OF THE ORANGE COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND GAMING COMMITTEE, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV, SECTION G, OF THE LEGISLATIVE MANUAL.

WHEREAS, the County Legislature by Resolution No. 88 of 1971, as last amended by Resolution No. 13 of 2002, created a special committee of the County Legislature to be known as the "Orange County Economic Development and Gaming Committee"; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section G, of the Legislative Manual provides that the Chairman of the Legislature will appoint all members of special committees, subject to the approval of this Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the County Legislature has appointed the following members to said Orange County Economic Development and Gaming Committee for the terms hereinafter mentioned:

Kathy Stegenga, Chairperson	for a term expiring December 31, 2021
James M. Kulisek	for a term expiring December 31, 2021
Katie Bonelli	for a term expiring December 31, 2021
James D. O'Donnell	for a term expiring December 31, 2021
Kevin W. Hines	for a term expiring December 31, 2021
Kevindaryán Luján	for a term expiring December 31, 2021
John S. Vero	for a term expiring December 31, 2021
Michael Amo	for a term expiring December 31, 2021

RESOLVED, that the appointment of the aforesaid members to the special committee of the County Legislature on Orange County Economic Development and Gaming be and the same is hereby approved.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.

Chairman Brescia stated that they will be talking with Chairwoman Stegegna and Mr. Amo about having a meeting soon. Mr. Amo has good ideas about consolidating with the capital districts and other plans.

Ms. Stegenga stated that they were tentatively scheduled for the Wednesday before the Ways and Means Committee meeting. They were waiting on the results of a Zoom meeting between some legal questions that were outstanding on how they would move forward.

The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, Luján, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21;

Noes 0;

Absent 0;

ADOPTED.

Mr. Paduch asked if you are appointed to a committee, should he abstain from the vote because he was listed on the next agenda item to be appointed to the Labor Relations Advisory Board. He wanted to make sure there was no conflict.

Chairman Brescia stated that it came up in the past and he was sure that Mr. Chapman would concur. They had Legislators vote for themselves to be appointed on various committees.

Sponsor: Brescia

RESOLUTION NO. 42 OF 2021

RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS OF LABOR RELATIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE, PURSUANT TO ARTICLE IV, SECTION G, OF THE LEGISLATIVE MANUAL.

WHEREAS, on May 12, 1972, the County Legislature adopted Resolution No. 117 of 1972 creating a special committee of the County Legislature to be known as the "Labor Relations Advisory Committee," composed of at least seven members; and

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section G, of the Legislative Manual provides that the Chairman of the Legislature will appoint all members of special committees, subject to the approval of this Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the County Legislature has appointed the following members to said Labor Relations Advisory Committee for the terms hereinafter mentioned:

John S. Vero, Chairperson	for a term expiring December 31, 2021
Leigh J. Benton	for a term expiring December 31, 2021
Joel Sierra	for a term expiring December 31, 2021
Kevin W. Hines	for a term expiring December 31, 2021
Michael D. Paduch	for a term expiring December 31, 2021

RESOLVED, that the appointment of the aforesaid members of the Labor Relations Advisory Committee of the County Legislature be and the same is hereby approved.

Seconded by Mr. Vero.
The vote resulted as follows:

Ayes: Bonelli, Paduch, Amo, Anagnostakis, Benton, Cheney, Faggione, Hines, Kulisek, **Luján**, Minuta, O'Donnell, Ruszkiewicz, Sassi, Sierra, Stegenga, Sutherland, Tautel, Tuohy, Vero, Brescia

Ayes 21; Noes 0; Absent 0; ADOPTED.

Mr. Paduch commented that over the last four meetings they have not had the opportunity to have public comment and he reached out to the Chairman about it. He spoke to Commissioner Burpoe regarding using the "Town Hall" format, like what was used with the 203 Program where they can run the meeting under Microsoft Teams and at the end have public comment. It allows you to switch to the "Town Hall" meeting without getting offline. He is looking into how we can do it. He wanted to make everyone aware of it. Commissioner Burpoe said that hopefully within a few days he would have an answer for them. He was sure that today there would have been plenty of public comment.

Chairman Brescia stated that he would be amenable to that. He would ask that those speakers sign up in advance. We do not want to not have public participation but we also do not want to have fifty speakers, it needs to be reasonable.

Ms. Tautel asked how was it done when they had the public hearing back in September. She would like to see public participation come back whether there are fifty people or five. They need to hear from the public during their sessions.

Mr. Paduch stated that after speaking with Commissioner Burpoe, it is hard on the Legislative Staff. The "Town Hall" concept may be able to be done at the end of the sessions. Once we have the answers we can go from there and hopefully make it happen.

Mr. Luján stated that to bring back public comment is critical. He would like to see if there is a way to do it before the meeting. He was a little confused by that but he hoped that they can figure it out.

Mr. Paduch added that Commissioner Burpoe mentioned that could be a possibility as well but he was going to look into it further and the Chairman can make the decision on which way to go.

Mr. Faggione reminded everyone that they are going by the guidelines issued by Governor Cuomo regarding the pandemic. As much as we want full participation, we are following the Executive Orders that the Governor issued. All the Legislators email addresses are on the website along with cell phone numbers. He hopes and prays that they get through the crisis more quickly than slowly so they can get back in the chambers and really have the power of the people heard in the chambers.

On motion of Mr. Paduch, seconded by Mr. Cheney, the Legislature adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

ADJOURNED.

Jean M. Ramppen, Clerk