RESOLUTION NOS. 32 – 52

March 6, 2012

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

12:55 P.M. – Re: To Consider Providing for a Real Property Tax Exemption on Property Owned By an Enrolled Volunteer Firefighter or Volunteer Ambulance Worker Residing In Onondaga County

Listed below are the resolutions to be presented to the County Legislature at the March Session. The meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 6, 2012.

A. CALL TO ORDER
B. CALLING OF ROLL MEMBERS
C. INVOCATION – Mr. Meyer
D. SALUTE TO FLAG – Mrs. Tassone
E. READING OF MINUTES
F. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
G. PRESENTATION OF COMMUNICATIONS
   1. Correspondence:
      a. 01-23-12 Letter from County Executive Mahoney – Re: Appointment to the Region 7 Fish and Wildlife Management Board (Hon. Michael E. Plochocki)
      b. 01-23-12 Letter from County Executive Mahoney – RE: Reappointment to the Onondaga County Soil and Water Conservation District Board (Wayne Norris)
      c. 01-23-12 Letter from County Executive Mahoney – Re: Reappointment to the Onondaga County Fire Advisory Board (John R. Linnertz)
      d. 01-23-12 Letter from County Executive Mahoney – Re: Appointment to the Onondaga County Community Services Advisory Board (Timothy J. Bobo)
      e. 01-23-12 Letter from County Executive Mahoney – Re: Reappointment to the Onondaga County Community Services Advisory Board (Mary Beth Frey)
      g. 01-23-12 Letter from County Executive Mahoney – Re: Appointment to the Onondaga County Community Services Advisory Board (Judith S. Hight, MPA)
      h. 01-23-12 Letter from County Executive Mahoney – Re: Reappointment to the Onondaga County Community Services Advisory Board (Sarah G. Merrick)
      i. 01-23-12 Letter from County Executive Mahoney – Re: Appointment to the Onondaga County Community Services Advisory Board (Elizabeth Nolan, LMSW)
   2. Public Comment:
      H. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES
      I. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES
      J. CALL OF RESPECTIVE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS (District No. 3)

4TH DISTRICT – MRS. TASSONE – COUNTY FACILITIES
1. NO. 33 Amending the 2012 County Budget and Authorizing the County to Pay in the First Instance 100% of the Federal and State Aid Eligible Costs at a Maximum Amount of $4,617,000 and Authorizing the County Executive to Enter into Agreements for the Fremont Road Bridge Over the CSX Railroad, C.R. No. 136, C - 906, BIN 3358210, PIN 3754.78 ($4,617,000) (17-0-0)
2. **NO. 34** Memorializing the New York State Legislature to Adopt Legislation Authorizing a Lease of Property at Onondaga Lake Park to the Onondaga Yacht Club for a Period up to Twenty-Five Years (17-0-0)

3. **NO. 35** Authorizing the County Executive to Enter into a Lease Agreement with the Onondaga Yacht Club for Property Located within Onondaga Lake Park for a Period of up to Twenty-Five Years (17-0-0)

4. **NO. 36** Memorializing the New York State Legislature to Adopt Legislation Authorizing a Lease of Property Located at Onondaga Lake Park to Syracuse University for a Period up to Twenty-Five Years (17-0-0)

5. **NO. 37** Authorizing the County Executive to Enter into a Lease Agreement with Syracuse University for the Boathouse Property at Onondaga Lake Park for a Period of up to Twenty-Five Years (17-0-0)

6. **NO. 38** Amending Resolution No. 37 – 1995 Regarding Partial Payments of Village Real Property Taxes (17-0-0)

7. **5TH DISTRICT – MRS. RAPP – PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**
   
   7. **NO. 32** In Memoriam – John Edward Garland (Adopted by rising tribute – One unanimous vote)

8. **6TH DISTRICT – MR. PLOCHOcki – ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

   8. **NO. 39** Confirming Reappointment to the Onondaga County Soil and Water Conservation District (Wayne Norris) (17-0-0)

   9. **NO. 40** Authorizing Acceptance of Grant Funds from the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation Green Innovative Grants Program and Authorizing Execution of Grant Agreements to Implement the Intent of this Resolution ($472,000) (17-0-0)

9. **7TH DISTRICT – MR. LIEDEKA – HEALTH**

   10. **NO. 41** Confirming Reappointments and Appointments to the Community Services Advisory Board (Timothy J. Bobo, Mary Beth Frey, Sarah G. Merrick, Judith S. Hight, MPA, Elizabeth Nolan, LMSW) (17-0-0)

   11. **NO. 42** Amending the 2012 County Budget to Accept Additional Funds from the New York State Office of Mental Health for a Recovery Center, and Authorizing the County Executive to Enter Into Contracts to Implement the Intent of this Resolution ($250,000) (17-0-0)

10. **9TH DISTRICT – MR. STANCZYK**

    12. **PULLED – (Sponsor requested item be sent to committee)** Declaring the Policy of the Onondaga County Legislature that the Real Property Tax Bill Be Clear and Understandable, With the Amount of County Real Property Taxes Readily Identifiable

    13. **PULLED – (Sponsor requested item be sent to committee)** Declaring the Policy of the Onondaga County Legislature with Respect to Limitations on the Amount of Overtime that Individual County Employees may Accrue, and Providing for Quarterly Notification to County Officials When Employees have Reached $5,000 in Overtime Pay

11. **10TH DISTRICT – MR. HOLMQUST – PUBLIC SAFETY**

    14. **NO. 43** Confirming Reappointment to the Onondaga County Fire Advisory Board (John Linnertz) (17-0-0)

    15. **NO. 44** Confirming Appointments to the Position of Deputy Coordinator and Authorizing Reimbursement for Expenses Incurred in the Performance of their Duties (Robert N. Blair, Robert Bratt, Larry Byrnes, David Cowburn, Christopher Evans, Chester Fritz, Timothy Nelson, Edward F. Lehman, Louis Longo, Joseph Markham, James Rossiter, Ronald D. Wheatley, Mark Zoonetti, Martin Heim, Pat Herrick, Edward Kosakowski, John Lisi, Jr., Stephen J. Wisely, Steve McLaughlin, Richard Ottoviano, Courtney Rutherford, Greg Tiner) (17-0-0)

    16. **NO. 45** Amending the 2012 County Budget to Accept Funds from the New York State Emergency Response Commission for Use by the Onondaga County Local Emergency Planning Committees ($4,585.86) (17-0-0)
17. **NO. 46** Authorizing the County Executive to Enter into an Agreement with Oneida County for Security Services at the Central New York Psychiatric Center Forensic Unit (17-0-0)

**12TH DISTRICT – MR. KNAPP – WAYS AND MEANS**

18. **NO. 47** Memorializing Support for and Authorizing the Purchasing Director to Submit an Application for a NYS Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant to Offset the Expense of the Implementation of Shared Purchasing Services with Various Municipal Subdivisions, and Authorizing the County Executive to Enter into Intermunicipal Agreements (15-2 Meyer, Jordan-0)

19. **NO. 48** Providing a Tax Exemption on Real Property Owned by an Enrolled Volunteer Firefighter of Ambulance Worker Residing in Onondaga County, and Amending Resolution No. 277-2005 to Continue said Exemption (17-0-0)

20. **NO. 49** Approving and Directing the Correction of Certain Errors on Tax Bills (17-0-0)

**15TH DISTRICT – MR. MCMAHON**

21. **NO. 50** Confirming Appointment to the Region 7 Fish and Wildlife Management Board (Michael Plochocki) (17-0-0)

22. **NO. 51** Memorializing the Governor and the Legislature of the State of New York to Implement Pension Reform Measures, Including Creating a New Tier 6, to Reduce the Unsustainable Costs of the State Pension System and Alleviate the Financial Burden on Onondaga County Property Taxpayers (12-5 Stanczyk, Meyer, Ryan, Williams, Ervin-0)

**17TH DISTRICT – MRS. ERVIN**

23. **NO. 52** Memorializing Opposition to Any State Legislative Action that Would Result in Three Primaries in New York State in 2012 (17-0-0)

K. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

L. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE CHAIR

M. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

DEBORAH L. MATURO, Clerk
ONONDAGA COUNTY LEGISLATURE
WHEREAS, it has pleased Almighty God to remove from this Earth, John Edward Garland; and

WHEREAS, John Edward Garland served the Onondaga County Legislature for twelve years, proudly serving the 5th Legislative District; and

WHEREAS, John Edward Garland’s public service began when he was a top gunner in the Army Air Corps during World War II; and

WHEREAS, John Edward Garland graduated from Syracuse University in 1950, and became an attorney in private practice; and

WHEREAS, John Edward Garland leaves behind his devoted wife, Shirley, three sons, two daughters, and eight grandchildren; and it is the desire of this Legislature to express sympathy to John Edward Garland’s grieving family on the sad occasion of his passing; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the members of the Onondaga County Legislature do hereby express sincere and heartfelt sympathy to John Edward Garland’s family and friends; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution be spread among the minutes of the Legislature and a copy be prepared and given to the family of John Edward Garland.

Rescue Memorial

ADOPTED
MAR 06 2012

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF LEGISLATION DULY ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF ONONDAGA COUNTY ON THE

6th DAY OF March, 2012

Deborah M. Matuso

CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
AMENDING THE 2012 COUNTY BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY TO PAY IN THE FIRST INSTANCE 100% OF THE FEDERAL AND STATE AID ELIGIBLE COSTS AT A MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF $4,617,000 AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS FOR THE FREMONT ROAD BRIDGE OVER THE CSX RAILROAD, C.R. NO. 136, C - 906, BIN 3358210, PIN 3754.78

WHEREAS, a project for the Fremont Road Bridge over the CSX Railroad, C.R. No. 136, C - 906, BIN 3358210, PIN 3754.78, funded for in Title 23 US Code, as amended, calls for the apportionment of the costs of such project to be allocated at the ratio of 80% Federal funds ($3,888,000) and 20% non-Federal funds ($972,000) for a total Project cost of $4,860,000; and

WHEREAS, the State of New York requires Onondaga County to contribute up to 100% of the non-Federal share of the Construction phase of this project, and to pay in the first instance the total Federal share of the cost of the Construction phase; and

WHEREAS, State funds are available to cover 75% of the non-Federal share of the project ($729,000), which the County is required to pay in the first instance, and local dollars are available to cover the remaining 25% of the non-Federal share ($243,000); and

WHEREAS, the amount of $243,000 is available in previously appropriated DOT capital funds and is available to cover the local share of the Project costs; and

WHEREAS, the County of Onondaga desires to pay in the first instance the Federal and State share of the costs ($4,617,000) for the above project; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Legislature hereby approves the project, agrees to participate and pay up to 100% of the non-Federal share of the project and agrees to pay in the first instance up to 100% of the total Federal and State share of the project; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to execute agreements to implement the intent of this resolution and to provide for County participation in the cost of the local share of the project; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2012 County Budget Capital Project Fund 21 be amended as follows:

REVENUES:
H510 Estimated Revenues $4,617,000
In Administrative Unit 80-93-20
Highway Division
FAMIS Index 532309
Capital Project 535156
Phase 002 – Fremont Road Bridge over CSX
  - Construction
In Account 014-0171
Federal Aid Highway Capital Projects $4,617,000
APPROPRIATIONS:
H960 Appropriations
In Administrative Unit 80-93-20
Highway Division
FAMIS Index 532309
Capital Project 535156
Phase 002 – Fremont Road Bridge over CSX
- Construction

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ADOPTED
MAR 06 2012

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND
EXACT COPY OF LEGISLATION DULY ADOPTED BY THE
COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF ONONDAGA COUNTY ON THE

Deborah A. Mascia
CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
MEMORIALIZING THE NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING A LEASE OF PROPERTY AT ONONDAGA LAKE PARK TO THE ONONDAGA YACHT CLUB FOR A PERIOD UP TO TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

WHEREAS, the County of Onondaga is the owner of Onondaga Lake Park; and

WHEREAS, since 1937, the Onondaga Yacht Club has owned and maintained the Onondaga Yacht Club, located at Onondaga Lake Park, for the purpose of promoting boating at Onondaga Lake; and

WHEREAS, previous state legislation has authorized the lease of property at Onondaga Lake to the Onondaga Yacht Club, consisting of approximately 37,220± square feet of land, to promote boating activities on Onondaga Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Onondaga Yacht Club has requested to renew the lease of said property, and it is the desire of the County to authorize the renewal of said lease for a period up to twenty-five years with the ability of the County to reopen said lease, amend the lease terms, or terminate said lease every five years; and

WHEREAS, leasing the property to the Onondaga Yacht Club will enhance public recreational use, participation and enjoyment of Onondaga Lake Park; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to obtain State approval to lease the Onondaga Yacht Clubhouse property to the Onondaga Yacht Club; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature hereby memorializes the New York State Legislature and the Governor of the State of New York to enact legislation authorizing the lease of approximately 37,220± square feet of property located at Onondaga Lake Park by the County of Onondaga to the Onondaga Yacht Club, said property described in the previous lease between the parties, for a period of up to twenty-five years; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this Legislature is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this resolution to the Governor and the New York State Legislators representing Onondaga County, requesting them to implement the intent of this resolution.
AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE ONONDAGA YACHT CLUB FOR PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN ONONDAGA LAKE PARK FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

WHEREAS, the County of Onondaga is the owner of Onondaga Lake Park; and

WHEREAS, since 1937, a portion of said property containing 37,220± square feet of land has been used by the Onondaga Yacht Club for the purpose of maintaining a clubhouse in furtherance of boating activities on Onondaga Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Onondaga Yacht Club has requested to renew its lease at Onondaga Lake Park, and the County is willing to renew that lease for a period of up to twenty-five years, with the ability of the County to renegotiate the lease terms or terminate said lease every five years; and

WHEREAS, the Onondaga Yacht Club has proposed to pay an annual fee of $1,800 per year, with increases of $50 per year, subject to the rights of the County to reopen said lease every five years; and

WHEREAS, a lease of the property to the Onondaga Yacht Club will enhance the public recreational use, participation and enjoyment of Onondaga Lake; and

WHEREAS, said lease renewal is a Type II Action within the meaning of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), as a lease renewal with no material change in lease conditions or the scope of permitted activities; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into a lease for a period up to twenty-five years with the Onondaga Yacht Club for property located in Onondaga Lake Park, containing 37,220± square feet of land, subject to the enactment of State Legislation approving said lease renewal and subject to the reopener provisions provided for herein; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that said lease shall provide for the ability of the County Legislature, every five years by duly enacted resolution, to reopen said lease to approve revised lease terms or terminate said lease for any reason; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the annual rental fee shall be $1,800 per year, with an increase of $50 per year, subject to any reopener, renegotiation or termination as provided for herein; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that in January of 2017, 2022, 2027, and 2032, the County Parks Commissioner shall brief the appropriate legislative committee on the current lease terms; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that at the aforementioned Committee meetings the County Parks Commissioner shall advise the Committee of their ability to reopen said lease as provided for herein; and, be it further
RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to enter into agreements to implement the intent of this Resolution.

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Deborah A. Matus
CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
March 6, 2012

Motion Made By Mrs. Tassone

MEMORIALIZING THE NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT LEGISLATION AUTHORIZING A LEASE OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT ONONDAGA LAKE PARK TO SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY FOR A PERIOD UP TO TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

WHEREAS, the County of Onondaga is the owner of Onondaga Lake Park, which includes land donated to the County by Syracuse University; and

WHEREAS, since 1937, Syracuse University has occupied property within Onondaga Lake Park to operate and maintain a boathouse for the purpose of promoting boating activities, athletic events and recreational uses at Onondaga Lake Park; and

WHEREAS, since 1987, the occupancy by Syracuse University at Onondaga Lake Park has been governed by a written lease agreement between the County of Onondaga and Syracuse University, as amended in 1997, and having a term of twenty-five years; and

WHEREAS, previous state legislation has authorized the lease of property at Onondaga Lake Park to Syracuse University, consisting of approximately 2.5± acres of land, for such boating and recreational purposes; and

WHEREAS, Syracuse University has requested a renewal of the lease of said property, and it is the desire of the County to authorize the renewal of said lease for a period up to twenty-five years, with the County and the University or either of them having the option every five years to reopen said lease, to amend the lease terms, or to terminate said lease; and

WHEREAS, the renewal of the lease of the property to Syracuse University will continue to enhance public recreational use, participation and enjoyment of Onondaga Lake Park; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to obtain State approval of the renewal of the lease of said property to Syracuse University; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature hereby memorializes the New York State Legislature and the Governor of the State of New York to enact legislation authorizing the lease of approximately 2.5± acres of property located at Onondaga Lake Park by the County of Onondaga to Syracuse University, said property described in the previous lease between the parties, for a period up to twenty-five years; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this Legislature is hereby directed to transmit this resolution to the Governor and the New York State Legislators representing Onondaga County, requesting them to implement the intent of this resolution.


Deborah A. Maturo
CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY FOR THE BOATHOUSE PROPERTY AT ONONDAGA LAKE PARK FOR A PERIOD OF UP TO TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

WHEREAS, the County of Onondaga is the owner of Onondaga Lake Park, which includes land donated to the County by Syracuse University; and

WHEREAS, since 1937, Syracuse University has occupied the boathouse property at Onondaga Lake Park, presently consisting of 2.5± acres of land, for sporting, athletic and recreational purposes; and

WHEREAS, Syracuse University has requested a renewal of its lease at Onondaga Lake Park, and the County is willing to renew said lease for a period of up to twenty-five years with the County, the University, or either of them having the option every five years to renegotiate the lease terms or to terminate said lease; and

WHEREAS, Syracuse University will pay an annual fee of $12,000 per year, plus utilities, together with progressive increases in the annual fee corresponding to 5% over and above the annual fee for the prior year; and

WHEREAS, Syracuse University intends to sponsor, organize and conduct sporting, athletic and recreational events and contests for the enjoyment of the public, and a renewal of the lease of the property to Syracuse University will continue to enhance public recreational use and enjoyment of Onondaga Lake Park; and

WHEREAS, said lease renewal is a Type II Action within the meaning of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA), as a lease renewal with no material change in lease conditions or the scope of permitted activities; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into a lease for a period up to twenty-five years with Syracuse University for property located in Onondaga Lake Park, consisting of 2.5± acres of land, subject to the enactment of State Legislation approving said lease renewal and subject to the reopener provisions provided for herein; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that said lease shall provide an option, once every five years, (a) for the County Executive and/or Syracuse University, or either of them, to renegotiate the lease terms or extinguish said lease, and (b) for the County Legislature, by duly enacted resolution, to reopen the lease, approve the renegotiated lease terms, or to extinguish said lease pursuant to notice requirements provided for in said lease; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that in January of 2017, 2022, 2027, and 2032, the County Parks Commissioner shall brief the appropriate legislative committee on the current lease terms, shall provide an update on maintenance performed over the past five-year period by Onondaga County and by Syracuse University, and shall brief the committee on any and all capital improvements advanced by the County or the University; and, be it further
RESOLVED, that at the aforementioned committee meetings, the County Parks Commissioner shall advise the committee of the County's option to reopen said lease as provided for herein; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the annual rental fee shall be $12,000 per year, plus utilities, together with progressive increases in the annual fee corresponding to 5% over and above the annual fee for the prior year, subject to any reopener, renegotiation or termination as provided for herein; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is authorized to enter into agreements to implement the intent of this Resolution.


Deborah A. Matuso  
CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE  
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 37 - 1995 REGARDING PARTIAL PAYMENTS OF VILLAGE REAL PROPERTY TAXES

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 37 - 1995, this Legislature authorized village collection officers to accept partial payments of village real property taxes, special ad valorem levies, and special assessments; and

WHEREAS, in these difficult economic times, many residents of Onondaga County are finding it difficult to budget real property tax payments according to the existing schedules established in such resolutions; and

WHEREAS, when a resident is unable to make conforming payments, the municipality is negatively affected because it misses out on having cash in-hand and the resident is negatively affected because of the statutory interest and penalties accruing on the outstanding balance; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the prior resolutions so as to provide residents greater flexibility in making partial real property tax payments in amounts other than fifty percent of the total tax due for each of the three permissible installments; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 37 - 1995, is hereby further amended to allow partial payments of village real property taxes, special ad valorem levies, and special assessments, as shall be consistent with the following:

1. Village real property taxes, special ad valorem levies and special assessments may be paid in up to four (4) partial payments during village collection period of the then current tax year.

2. The initial partial payment shall be paid not later than the penalty-free period of the then current tax year. Interest and penalties shall be charged against the unpaid balance after such date.

3. No minimum amount is required for a partial payment, except that the final partial payment shall be in the amount of the remaining unpaid balance due and owing.

4. No partial payment shall be accepted from a property owner if there are delinquent real property taxes, special ad valorem levies, and special assessments owed on such property, unless the property owner is current on installment payments to the County pursuant to Local Law No. 7 - 1995 as may be amended from time to time; and, be it further
RESOLVED, that in all other respects, Resolution No. 37 - 1995 shall remain in full force and effect; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this Legislature is directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Commissioner of the New York State Office of Real Property Tax Services no later than thirty days after adoption.

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DEBORAH A. MATERO
CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
CONFIRMING REAPPOINTMENT TO THE ONONDAGA COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD

WHEREAS, Joanne M. Mahoney, Onondaga County Executive, has duly reappointed and designated pursuant to Section 1903 of the Onondaga County Charter and in accordance with Section 7 of the Soil and Water Conservation Districts Law, subject to confirmation by the Onondaga County Legislature, the following individual as a member of the Onondaga County Soil and Water Conservation District Board:

REAPPOINTMENT: Wayne Norris
3063 Route 20
Marcellus, New York 13108

TERM EXPIRES: December 31, 2015

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Legislature to confirm said reappointment; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature does hereby confirm the reappointment of the above individual as a member of the Onondaga County Soil and Water Conservation District for the term specified above or until subsequent action by the County Executive.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF LEGISLATION DULY ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF ONONDAGA COUNTY ON THE

DEPUTY CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
March 6, 2012

Motion Made By Mr. Plochocki

RESOLUTION NO. 40

AUTHORIZING ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE NEW YORK STATE ENVIRONMENTAL FACILITIES CORPORATION GREEN INNOVATIVE GRANTS PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF GRANT AGREEMENTS TO IMPLEMENT THE INTENT OF THIS RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the County applied to the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation (NYS EFC) for a grant pursuant to the Green Innovative Grants Program (GIGP); and

WHEREAS, the County has been awarded the grant in the amount of $472,000; and

WHEREAS, the grant includes funding a Downspout Disconnection Program which will remove stormwater from the combined sewer system by capturing runoff from existing downspout connections attached to the interstate Highway 690 Corridor; and

WHEREAS, projects which are undertaken utilizing GIGP funding through the NYS EFC provide up to 90% state contribution and 10% local contribution; and

WHEREAS, the County Legislature has already appropriated and authorized the use of County funds which can be applied towards the required local match; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the grant requirements, the County must submit a resolution approving receipt of grant funds and execution of grant agreements; and

WHEREAS, the review and determination under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA) will be conducted as part of the contract with the New York State Department of Transportation; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into a grant agreement with the New York State Environmental Facilities Corporation and to accept funds not to exceed four hundred seventy two thousand dollars ($472,000) as reimbursement for work completed in implementing the project.


Deborah A. Mauer
CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
March 6, 2012

Motion Made By Mr. Liedka

RESOLUTION NO. 41

CONFIRMING REAPPOINTMENTS AND APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMUNITY SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

WHEREAS, Joanne M. Mahoney, Onondaga County Executive, has duly reappointed and appointed and designated pursuant to Article XV, Section 15.03 of the Onondaga County Administrative Code, and in accordance with Section 41.11 of the New York State Mental Hygiene Law, subject to confirmation by the County Legislature, the following individuals as members of the Community Services Advisory Board:

REAPPOINTMENT:
Timothy J. Bobo
3308 Oak Brook Road
Baldwinsville, New York 13027

Mary Beth Frey
915 East Brighton Avenue
Syracuse, New York 13205

Sarah G. Merrick
6343 Tulipwood Lane
Jamesville, New York 13078

TERM EXPIRES:
December 31, 2016

APPOINTMENT:
Judith S. Hight, MPA
7 Union Street
Cazenovia, New York 13035

Elizabeth Nolan, LMSW
306 Jamesville Road
DeWitt, New York 13214

TERM EXPIRES:
December 31, 2016

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Legislature to confirm said reappointments and appointments; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature does hereby confirm the reappointments and appointments of the above individuals as members of the Community Services Advisory Board for the term specified above or until subsequent action by the County Executive.

[Adopted by the County Legislature on March 6, 2012]

Deborah A. Maturo
CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
March 6, 2012

Motion Made By Mr. Liedka

RESOLUTION NO. 42

AMENDING THE 2012 COUNTY BUDGET TO ACCEPT ADDITIONAL FUNDS FROM THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH FOR A RECOVERY CENTER, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS TO IMPLEMENT THE INTENT OF THIS RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Mental Health has granted the Onondaga County Department of Mental Health additional funds to implement a Recovery Center in Onondaga County; and

WHEREAS, the Recovery Center will be a vehicle to provide access to a range of resources within the community that will enhance people's recovery from serious mental illnesses, will serve as a clearing house for information regarding the range of available resources, and will assist individuals in finding jobs, connecting to social networks, mental health and other services; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Mental Health has allocated $250,000 for this project; and

WHEREAS, there is no local dollar cost to the Recovery Center project, and it is necessary to amend the county budget to accept state funding to implement said project; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that it is the intent of this Legislature that the Recovery Center project remain funded without the use of local taxpayer dollars, and the Commissioner of Mental Health is requested to report forthwith to this Legislature in the event that outside funding becomes insufficient to fully fund said project and to further discontinue said project in such instance; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Mental Health is to report to this Legislature during the budget hearings on the status of said project; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into contracts to implement the intent of this resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2012 County Budget be amended by providing and making available the following:

REVENUES:
A510 Estimated Revenues
In Administrative Unit 40-53-00
Mental Health
FAMIS Index 360354
Acct. 023-0490 State Mental Health $250,000
APPROPRIATIONS:
A960 Appropriations
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Deborah A. Maturi
CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
CONCLUDING REAPPOINTMENT TO THE ONONDAGA COUNTY FIRE ADVISORY BOARD

WHEREAS, Joanne M. Mahoney, Onondaga County Executive, has duly reappointed and designated pursuant to Section 1903 of the Onondaga Charter, and Article III, Section 3.13 of the Onondaga County Administrative Code, subject to confirmation by the Onondaga County Legislature, the following individual as a member of the Onondaga County Fire Advisory Board:

REAPPOINTMENT: John Linnertz
315 Herman Drive
North Syracuse, New York 13212

TERM EXPIRES: December 31, 2015

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Legislature to confirm said reappointment; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature does hereby confirm the reappointment of the above individual as a member of the Onondaga County Fire Advisory Board for the term specified above or until subsequent action by the County Executive.

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6th DAY OF March, 2012

Deborah A. Mattix
CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
March 6, 2012

Motion Made By Mr. Holmquist, Mr. May, Mr. Dougherty, Mr. Meyer, Mrs. Tassone, Mrs. Rapp, Mr. Plochocki, Mr. Liedka, Mr. Kilmartin, Mr. Knapp, Mr. Sheppard, Mr. Jordan, Mr. McMahon

RESOLUTION NO. 44

CONFIRMING APPOINTMENTS TO THE POSITION OF DEPUTY COORDINATOR AND AUTHORIZING REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THEIR DUTIES

WHEREAS, Kevin E. Wisely, in accordance with the County Law Section 401 and pursuant to the power vested in him as Commissioner of Emergency Management, has duly appointed pending confirmation, the following persons as Deputy Coordinators for a one year term commencing January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012:

DEPUTY COORDINATOR:
Robert N. Blair
8096 Squirrel Corn Lane
Manlius, New York 13104

Edward F. Lehman
310 Kenwick Drive
Syracuse, New York 13208

Robert Bratt
4383 Cook Road
Tully, New York 13159

Louis Longo
112 Stillwell Circle
East Syracuse, New York 13057-1410

Larry Byrnes
313 Chapel Street
Syracuse, New York 13066-2101

Joseph Markham
8511 E. Seneca Tnpk.
Manlius, New York 13104

David Cowburn
7101 Totman Drive
Cicero, New York 13039

James Rossiter
4639 Aqua Drive
Marcellus, New York 13108

Christopher Evans
2771 Belgium Road
Baldwinsville, New York 13027

Ronald D. Wheatley
1550 Ridge Road
Fabius, New York 13063

Chester Fritz
8031 Thyme Circle
Liverpool, New York 13088

Mark Zoanetti
205 Dutchess Lane
Syracuse, New York 13219

Timothy Nelson
5076 Bowen Dr.
Nedrow, New York 13120
DEPUTY COORDINATORS FOR HAZMAT:

Martin Heim
100 Enderberry Circle
Syracuse, New York 13224

Pat Herrick
708 Oswego Street
Liverpool, New York 13088

Edward Kosakowski
5410 Walnut Hill Road
Brewerton, New York 13029

John Lisi, Jr.
125 Edden Lane
North Syracuse, New York 13212

Stephen J. Wisely
101 Foxmeadow Drive
Liverpool, New York 13088

Steve McLaughlin
102 Graston Avenue
Syracuse, New York 13219

Richard Ottoviano
112 David Drive
North Syracuse, New York 13212

Courtney Rutherford
127 Hunter Drive
Baldwinsville, New York 13027

Greg Tiner
7537 Shalako Circle
Baldwinsville, New York 13027

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Legislature to confirm the appointment of the above-named persons to serve as Deputy Coordinators without salary, but to be reimbursed for actual expenses; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that this Legislature does hereby confirm the appointment of the above-named Deputy Coordinators for a one (1) year term commencing January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2012; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that said Deputy Coordinators shall serve without salary but be authorized to be reimbursed for actual expenses incurred in performing the duties of said office, upon submission of duly approved claim forms to the Onondaga County Comptroller.

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CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
Motion Made By Mr. Holmquist

RESOLUTION NO. 45

AMENDING THE 2012 COUNTY BUDGET TO ACCEPT FUNDS FROM THE NEW YORK STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION FOR USE BY THE ONONDAGA COUNTY LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEES

WHEREAS, the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Program, administered by the New York State Emergency Response Commission, makes federal funding available to Onondaga County for emergency planning activities in accordance with the Emergency Planning and Community Right-To-Know Act of 1986; and

WHEREAS, the Onondaga County Department of Emergency Management is designated by the New York State Emergency Response Commission to act as the fiscal agent for the local emergency planning committees, and is eligible to receive such funds in the amount of $4,585.86; and

WHEREAS, the funds will be used to coordinate and oversee planning activities in accordance with the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986, and it is the desire of this Legislature to accept such funds; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the 2012 County Budget be amended by providing and making available the following:

REVENUES:
In Admin Unit 40-38
Emergency Management
FAMIS Index 309997
Project # 734114 Local Emergency Planning Committee
In Account 012-0123 Haz Materials Assist Prog. $4,585.86

APPROPRIATIONS:
In Admin Unit 40-38
Emergency Management
FAMIS Index 309997
Project # 734114 Local Emergency Planning Committee
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Deborah M. Masters
CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
March 6, 2012

Motion Made By Mr. Holmquist

RESOLUTION NO. 46

AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ONEIDA COUNTY FOR SECURITY SERVICES AT THE CENTRAL NEW YORK PSYCHIATRIC CENTER FORENSIC UNIT

WHEREAS, certain inmates in the custody of the Onondaga County who are in need of psychiatric care require services beyond that which can be provided in Onondaga County facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Central New York Psychiatric Center Forensic Unit located in Oneida County is capable of providing these services for surrounding counties; and

WHEREAS, the Oneida County Sheriff is able to provide security services at the Central New York Psychiatric Center Forensic Unit; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to enter into an agreement with Oneida County to provide for security at the Central New York Psychiatric Center Forensic Unit for Onondaga County inmates who are in the need of psychiatric care; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff has requested that the County enter into a two year agreement for the period of January 1, 2012 through December 31, 2013; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into contracts with Oneida County to provide for such security services and to implement this resolution.

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MAR 06 2012


Deborah A. Matusz
CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
MEMORIALIZING SUPPORT FOR AND AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING DIRECTOR TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION FOR A NEW YORK STATE SHARED MUNICIPAL SERVICES INCENTIVE GRANT TO OFFSET THE EXPENSE OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF SHARED PURCHASING SERVICES WITH VARIOUS MUNICIPAL SUBDIVISIONS, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE TO ENTER INTO INTERMUNICIPAL AGREEMENTS

WHEREAS, the County of Onondaga is undergoing the implementation of a plan for sharing purchasing services with various municipal subdivisions contained within the County; and

WHEREAS, to this end, the County of Onondaga together with various municipal subdivisions therein, and any additional municipal subdivisions within the County that might come forth, seek to apply for a joint grant from the New York State Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant Program to assist with offsetting the one-time costs incurred with implementation of the program for sharing of the purchasing services; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County of Onondaga is hereby authorized to submit an application through the Shared Municipal Services Incentive Grant Program for purposes of offsetting the one-time costs of the implementation of the program for sharing purchasing services between the County of Onondaga and various municipal subdivisions within the County, and any other municipal subdivisions in the County that may wish to participate; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County of Onondaga shall act as Lead Applicant and the various municipal subdivisions within the County, any other municipal subdivisions in the County that may wish to participate shall act as co-applicants, with a representative of each municipal subdivision acting as Co-Applicant Contact Person and with the Onondaga County Director of Purchasing, Sean Carroll, or his designee, acting as the Lead Applicant Contact Person and that such Lead Applicant Contact Person shall submit an application to the Local Government Efficiency grant program for the 2011 - 2012 program year; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the project for which the grant application shall be submitted is for the County of Onondaga, various municipal subdivisions within the County, and any other municipal subdivisions within the County that may wish to participate to implement the program to share purchasing services; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the maximum amount of money to be applied for in the grant application shall be the sum of $200,000 per participant, not to exceed $1,000,000 with Onondaga County committed to contributing a maximum local share of $100,000 toward the study without need for contribution from the other participants, it being understood that the local share can be comprised of in-kind funds; and, be it further
RESOLVED, that the County of Onondaga hereby is authorized to enter into agreements with the various participating municipal subdivisions, and any additional municipal subdivision within the County that may wish to participate in the grant to further define the rights and obligations of the counties in connection with the grant and implementation of the shared purchasing program and to provide that the local share or match for the grant funds shall be made by contribution from Onondaga County alone.
March 6, 2012

Motion Made By Mr. Knapp, Mr. Meyer, Mr. May, Mrs. Rapp, RESOLUTION NO.______________
Mr. Dougherty, Mrs. Tassone, Mr. Plochocki,
Mr. Liedke, Mr. Ryan, Mr. Stancezyk, Mr. Holquist,
Mr. Kilmartin, Mr. Shepard, Mr. Jordan, Mr. McMahon, Ms. Williams, Mrs. Ervin

PROVIDING A TAX EXEMPTION ON REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY AN ENROLLED VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER OR VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE WORKER RESIDING IN ONONDAGA COUNTY, AND AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 277 - 2005 TO CONTINUE SAID EXEMPTION

WHEREAS, the County recognizes the role of volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance workers in assisting and securing the safety and well being of our communities and finds that it is in the best interests of the County to encourage such volunteerism; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 277 - 2005, the County enacted an exemption on real property taxes for certain volunteer firefighters and volunteer ambulance workers pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 466-g, and that exemption is expiring; and

WHEREAS, the County has held a public hearing on this matter, and it is the desire of this Legislature to continue this exemption; and

WHEREAS, as provided for in Resolution No. 277 - 2005, for purposes of this resolution, the term “enrolled member” means an individual who would be eligible for a service award program using the criteria for such service award programs set forth in section 217 or section 219-e of the General Municipal Law, which criteria, as in effect on the date of enactment of this resolution, are incorporated into this resolution and made a part hereof; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to Real Property Tax Law Section 466-g, real property owned by an enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated volunteer ambulance service or such enrolled member and spouse residing in Onondaga County shall be entitled to a real property tax exemption to the extent of ten percent of the assessed value of such real property for County tax purposes, exclusive of special assessments; provided, however, that such exemption shall, in no event, exceed $3,000, multiplied by the latest State equalization rate for the assessing unit in which such real property is located; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that such exemption shall not be granted to an enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or volunteer ambulance service in Onondaga County unless the following conditions are met:

(1) The applicant for such exemption resides in the city, town or village which is served by such incorporated volunteer fire company or fire department or incorporated volunteer ambulance service;

(2) The property is the primary residence of the applicant;

(3) The property is used exclusively for the applicant’s residential purposes; provided, however, that in the event any portion of such property is not used exclusively as the applicant’s residence but is used for other purposes, such portion not used as residence shall be subject to taxation and the remaining portion only shall be entitled to the exemption provided for in this resolution;
(4) The applicant has completed five years of active service as an enrolled member with an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated volunteer ambulance service as certified pursuant to this resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that each incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated volunteer ambulance service shall submit to the assessor within the city, town, or village in which each such applicant resides, a complete list of enrolled members, with their respective dates of service with such incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated volunteer ambulance service and the assessor shall then review all applicants and certify those applicants who meet the necessary criteria to be eligible for this exemption; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that any enrolled member of an incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department or incorporated volunteer ambulance service, who accrues more than twenty years of active service as an enrolled member and is so certified by the authority having jurisdiction for the incorporated volunteer fire company, fire department, or incorporated voluntary ambulance service, shall be granted the ten percent exemption as authorized by this resolution for the remainder of his or her life for as long as his or her primary residence is located within Onondaga County; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that application for such exemption shall be filed annually with the assessor of the city, town or village in which the applicant resides on or before the annual taxable status date for that municipality, on a form as prescribed by the State Board of Equalization and Assessment; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that no applicant who is a volunteer firefighter or volunteer ambulance worker who, by reason of such status, is receiving any benefit under the provisions of Article Four of the Real Property Tax Law on the effective date of this resolution shall suffer any diminution of such benefit because of the provision of this resolution; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that in accordance with Section 844 of the New York State Real Property Tax Law, this Legislature hereby designates that the exemption enacted by this resolution shall be included in the total valuation for purposes of calculating the taxable assessed value in each municipality; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately and shall apply to real property having a taxable status date on or after the first day of March 2012; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 277 - 2005 hereby is amended to continue said exemption without interruption.
March 6, 2012

Motion Made By Mr. Knapp, Mr. Jordan,
Mrs. Tassone

RESOLUTION NO. 49

APPROVING AND DIRECTING THE CORRECTION OF CERTAIN ERRORS ON TAX BILLS

WHEREAS, the following named property owners have filed an application with the County Director of Real Property Tax Services for the correction of errors on the assessment and tax rolls relative to their respective premises; and

WHEREAS, the County Director of Real Property Tax Services, acting as agent of this Legislature which is the tax levying body of this County, has investigated the circumstances of the claimed errors and has submitted his recommendation that the applications for the corrections be approved; and

WHEREAS, Section 554 of the Real Property Tax Law prescribes the procedure for correction of clerical errors, errors in essential fact, and certain unlawful entries on tax rolls; and

WHEREAS, Section 556 of the Real Property Tax Law prescribes the manner in which refunds shall be charged back to appropriate municipality, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the report of the County Director of Real Property Tax Services be and the same hereby is accepted; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature be and he hereby is authorized and directed to mail a notice of approval to each applicant and order the collecting officers of the appropriate Towns or the Commissioner of Finance, as the case may be, to correct the respective taxes as follows:

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Green Lakes Associates LLC
P.O. Box 430
Tully, New York 13159

SALINA
Amparit Industries LLC
2435 State Route 5
Utica, New York 13502

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Clerk, County Legislature
Onondaga County, New York
Motion Made By Mr. McMahon

RESOLUTION NO. 50

CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT TO THE REGION 7 FISH AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT BOARD

WHEREAS, Joanne M. Mahoney, Onondaga County Executive, has duly appointed and designated pursuant to the New York State Fish and Wildlife Management Act and Section 11-0501 of the Fish and Wildlife Law, subject to confirmation by the Onondaga County Legislature, the following individual as a member of the Region 7 Fish and Wildlife Management Board:

APPOINTMENT:
Michael Plochocki
4753 Howlett Hill Road
Marcellus, New York 13108

TERM EXPIRES:
December 31, 2013

WHEREAS, it is the desire of this Legislature to confirm said appointment; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature does hereby confirm the appointment of the above individual as a member of the Region 7 Fish and Wildlife Management Board for the term specified above or until subsequent action by the County Executive.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND EXACT COPY OF LEGISLATION DULY ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF ONONDAGA COUNTY ON THE

64th DAY OF March, 2012.

Deborah A. Maturo
CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
March 6, 2012

Motion Made By Mr. McMahon  Mr. May, Mr. Dougherty,  RESOLUTION NO. Mrs. Tassone, Mrs. Rapp, Mr. Plochocki, Mr. Liedka, Mr. Holmquist, Mr. Kilmin, Mr. Knapp, Mr. Shepard, Mr. Jordan

MEMORIALIZING THE GOVERNOR AND THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK TO IMPLEMENT PENSION REFORM MEASURES, INCLUDING CREATING A NEW TIER 6, TO REDUCE THE UNSUSTAINABLE COSTS OF THE STATE PENSION SYSTEM AND ALLEVIATE THE FINANCIAL BURDEN ON ONONDAGA COUNTY PROPERTY TAXPAYERS

WHEREAS, counties are mandated by New York State to pay for costs of providing county employee pensions, and the cost of this state mandate is creating an unrealistic and unsustainable burden upon county taxpayers; and

WHEREAS, between 2001 and 2014, the pension related cost to counties is projected to increase by over 2400 percent, a direct result of pension benefit enhancements enacted by the New York State Legislature in 2000 and significant losses incurred by the state in retirement fund investments; and

WHEREAS, the New York State pension fund is a defined-benefit plan, thereby guaranteeing retirees a specified payment upon retirement, regardless of the investments made or funds generated; and

WHEREAS, the mandated pension contributions in 2012 are estimated to cost county property taxpayers (outside of New York City) nearly $900 million, and it is anticipated that these costs will continue to escalate; and

WHEREAS, it is projected that the increase in pension costs for counties, when combined with the two percent property tax cap, will cause annual pension contributions to consume nearly 25 percent of the entire county property tax levy (outside of New York City) by state fiscal year 2014; and

WHEREAS, with limited revenues available to pay for the escalating costs of the public pension system, municipalities are forced to burden the taxpayers with these pension costs and redirect county resources away from essential programs and services; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that the Governor and the Legislature of the State of New York enact fundamental reforms to the pension benefit system to relieve county taxpayers of these unsustainable costs, including creating a Tier 6 defined-contribution plan (as opposed to a defined-benefit plan), providing a cap on the reportable salary for employees in the retirement system for purposes of calculating pensions, revising the provisions that allow inclusion of overtime when calculating pensions, consider raising both the employee contribution to the retirement system and the minimum retirement age, and prohibiting former employees who return to public service from being reinstated to a former tier after a break in service of more than one year; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that this Onondaga County Legislature hereby memorializes the Governor and the Legislature of the State of New York to enact the foregoing pension reform measures, specifically the creation of a Tier 6 defined-contribution plan, such that the taxpayers of Onondaga County will see relief from the burden of the ever increasing state mandated pension costs; and, be it further
RESOLVED, that the Clerk of this Legislature hereby is directed to transmit this resolution to the Governor and the New York State legislators representing Onondaga County, urging their immediate action on this request.

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Deborah A. Maturi
CLERK, COUNTY LEGISLATURE
ONONDAGA COUNTY, NEW YORK
March 6, 2012

Motion Made By Mrs. Ervin, Mr. Ryan, Mr. May, Mr. Meyer, RESOLUTION NO. 52

Mr. Stanczyk, Ms. Williams, Mr. McMahon Mrs. Rapp,
Mrs. Tassone, Mr. Plochocki, Mr. Liedka, Mr. Holquist,
Mr. Kilmartin, Mr. Knapp, Mr. Shepard, Mr. Jordan,
Mr. Dougherty

MEMORIALIZING OPPOSITION TO ANY STATE LEGISLATIVE ACTION THAT WOULD RESULT IN THREE PRIMARIES IN NEW YORK STATE IN 2012

WHEREAS, the United States District Court for the Northern District of New York has recently ordered New York State to hold its primary for federal offices on June 26, 2012; and

WHEREAS, this primary would be scheduled in addition to the presidential primary to be held on April 24, 2012 in New York State; and

WHEREAS, at present, New York State’s regularly scheduled primary for state and local offices is to be held on September 11, 2012; and

WHEREAS, taxpayers in the 62 counties of New York State shoulder a significant financial burden each time an election is held that, for many counties, runs in the hundreds of thousands of dollars; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of New York State taxpayers to combine the state/local primary election with the federal primary election as ordered by the federal judge; and

WHEREAS, failure to do so would likely result in a multi-million dollar boondoggle, an activity that is unnecessary and wasteful of both time and money, especially since the third primary under consideration would be undertaken for the political gain of incumbents; and

WHEREAS, the taxpayers in every county in New York State deserve better than this, especially at a time when state/local governments are facing inordinate financial pressures; and

WHEREAS, on-line media reports in the Albany Times Union indicate that the New York State Senate is indeed contemplating maintaining a third primary election later this summer; and

WHEREAS, the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) has recently approved a resolution that opposes the administration of three separate primary elections and called for a combined primary for federal, state/local offices on June 26, 2012; and

WHEREAS, there is no public benefit to holding three separate primaries in New York State this year, due to the voter confusion and lower turnout that may result; and

WHEREAS, if New York State proceeds with setting a third primary election which has not been budgeted by counties in their 2012 Budgets, the state will cause a gaping hole in county budgets across the state due to this unfunded and unnecessary state mandate; and

WHEREAS, at a time when taxpayers are pleading with government to run more efficiently, the prospect of a third primary should be summarily dismissed by policymakers in Albany, with an eye toward consolidating federal, state/local offices into one consolidated primary election on June 26, 2012; now, therefore be it
RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature urges the New York State Legislature to combine the federal and state/local primaries onto June 26, 2012, for a substantial savings of the tax dollars of New York residents; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Onondaga County Legislature hereby requests both the Democratic and Republican Commissioners of the Onondaga County Board of Elections to address this matter of great taxpayer and county legislative concern and to attend the next meeting of the Onondaga County Legislature’s Ways and Means Committee to speak to this issue; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Legislature is hereby directed to transmit this resolution to Commissioner Dennis E. Ward, Commissioner Ralph M. Mohr, Governor Andrew Cuomo, State Senate Majority Leader Dean Skelos, Speaker of the Assembly Sheldon Silver and County Executive Joanne M. Mahoney.