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COUNTY FACILITIES COMMITTEE MINUTES – FEBRUARY 18, 2025 DEBRA J. CODY, CHAIR

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Knapp, Dr. Kelly, Mr. Brown, Ms. Hernandez
ALSO ATTENDING: Chairman Burtis; also see attached list

Chair Cody called the meeting to order at 11:35 a.m. and the previous meeting’s minutes were approved.

1. **APPOINTMENTS:** Dawn Marmor, Executive Director Onondaga County Public Library
 - a. **Confirming Appointment by the County Executive to the Onondaga County Public Library Board of Trustees (Ellen James Mbuqe)**

- Library needs help with communicating materials and programs offered
- Ms. Mbuqe has experience in communications and will bring a much needed skill set

A motion was made by Mr. Knapp, seconded by Ms. Hernandez, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

2. **FACILITIES MANAGEMENT:** Archie Wixson, Commissioner
 - a. **BOND: A Resolution Authorizing Security Improvements at Various County Facilities in and for the County of Onondaga, New York, at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$2,000,000, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,000,000 Bonds of Said County to Pay Costs Thereof (\$2,000,000)**

County Security Improvements (NEW)

DEPARTMENT: Facilities Management
 PROJECT TYPE: Public Safety PROJECT
 STATUS: Proposed
 BUDGET STATUS: Not Authorized
 PHASE STATUS: Planning



SUMMARY

This project is tasked with providing security improvements to various County properties. This will include magnetometers, x-ray scanners, mobile stations, CCTV, duress alarm, access control, PA, intrusion alarm, upgrades to head end software and hardware, and entry reconfigurations. This will be a multi-year plan.

FUNDING BY SOURCE (000's)

SOURCE	Prior	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	6-Year	Total
Borrowing to Authorize	-	2,000	400	400	400	400	400	4,000	4,000
TOTALS	-	2,000	400	400	400	400	400	4,000	4,000

SCOPE & DETAILS

The planned improvements to the CCTV system will involve updating both software and hardware, replacing servers, adding cameras to additional locations, upgrading existing cameras, and enhancing monitor setup. Additionally, duress alarms will be installed in various departments with frequent incidents of misbehavior and security breaches.

Further upgrades will include expanding electronic access control to additional locations and enhancing the public address systems for building-wide announcements. Magnetometers and x-ray scanners will also be installed at various entry points. Existing systems will see updates such as replacing outdated equipment, adding extra storage servers and upgrading the cabling infrastructure.

- Project is primarily equipment related purchases and implementation with focus on Civic Center, County Office Building, Criminal Courthouse, County Courthouse
- The only construction will be reconfiguration of employee entrance in the Civic Center for screening employees and the public
 - Design was done with in-house architects and ready to put on the street when funding available
- Intention is to be thorough in screening process to keep employees and public safer
- Implemented the use of magnetometers and scanners in Civic Center and County Office Building
 - Have not discovered a lot of dangerous weapons, but have had people come in with items considered unsafe

Questions/Comments from the Committee:

- Will the equipment borrowed from the amphitheater be returned?
 - Newer technology will be installed at the amphitheater
 - County will purchase scanners for persons with impaired abilities, and x-ray machines
- Is there NYS reimbursement for work done in the County Courthouse?
 - Will need to talk it through with the State
- Are there updates on contractual security staffing that will be sun setting?
 - Cannot capitalize labor because it is not considered an asset
 - Carried in the Operating budget this year
 - Will show in next years’ budget once more equipment and functions are going

A motion was made by Mr. Knapp, seconded by Dr. Kelly, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

b. BOND: A Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of an Additional \$7,000,000 Bonds of the County of Onondaga, New York, to Pay Costs Related to the Courthouse HVAC Renovations in and for Said County (\$7,000,000)

Courthouse - HVAC Renovations

DEPARTMENT: Facilities Management PROJECT
 TYPE: Maintenance & Rehabilitation
 PROJECT STATUS Ongoing
 BUDGET STATUS: Partially Authorized
 PHASE STATUS: Implementing



SUMMARY

This project is designed to address the aging, 50+ year old HVAC systems in this important 106-year-old landmark building. The goal of this project is to extend and improve the mechanical life of the building's infrastructure without the need to displace the critical functions that take place during the renovation process.

FUNDING BY SOURCE (000's)

SOURCE	Prior	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	6-Year	Total
Authorized Borrowing	3,400	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,400
Borrowing to Authorize	-	3,000	4,000	-	-	-	-	7,000	7,000
TOTALS	3,400	3,000	4,000	-	-	-	-	7,000	10,400

SCOPE & DETAILS

The County has completed major spatial and functional changes at the Courthouse in response to the NYS Court Facilities Act. Approximately 40% of the building was renovated with the focus on spatial changes, however, those changes did not address the building's infrastructure needs.

Much of the HVAC, electrical switchgear, and electrical distribution systems are in excess of fifty years old. The air handlers and perimeter coil induction units throughout the building are in need of replacement. The pumps and environmental controls are obsolete and also need to be replaced. A comprehensive engineering study of the building's HVAC systems has been completed and will be instrumental in assisting the County to create a plan for the systematic replacement of the HVAC systems without temporarily displacing the functions within the Courthouse.

- On June 6th, 2016 the County Legislature authorized \$400,000 (2016-096) to fund the engineering design phase.
- On December 17th, 2019 the County Legislature authorized \$1,000,000 (2019-217) to fund the construction phase
- On February 6th, 2024, the County Legislature authorized \$2,000,000 (2024-017) for additional construction costs. This project is currently wrapping up phase 1, and phase 2 will begin by the end of 2024 (larger-unit installations).

- Phase 1 is completed
- Currently in the middle of phase 2
- This will be the final phase and will take approximately 3 years to complete
- Will gain 20-25 years with new system
 - Will be purchasing larger equipment at greater expense; ie: air handlers, control devices
 - Bids are ready to be finalized, will begin once funding is available

Questions/Comments from the Committee:

- Is there reimbursement available?
 - Has potential through NYSEDA and National Grid but not through the court system
- Has there been progress in energy star ratings?
- Will there be major improvements in efficiency?
 - Will definitely see major improvements in forward operating costs with more efficient operation of building
 - Energy star ratings are more of an award for recovery of funds
 - The private sector benefits from energy star incentives such as tax reimbursements and lower loan rates
 - County is not part of those incentives
- What is the vintage of current equipment?
 - Some of the infrastructure is original; such as conveyance of steam and hot water
 - Some pipe work in concealed places is original
 - The Courthouse is one of the more efficient buildings within the County

A motion was made by Mr. Knapp, seconded by Dr. Kelly, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

- c. **BOND: A Resolution Authorizing Improvements to Various County Facilities in and for the County of Onondaga, New York, at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$500,000, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$500,000 Bonds of Said County to Pay Costs Thereof (\$500,000)**

Facilities Various Capital Improvements

DEPARTMENT: Facilities Management *PROJECT*
TYPE: Maintenance & Rehabilitation
PROJECT STATUS: Ongoing
BUDGET STATUS: Partially Authorized
PHASE STATUS: Implementing



SUMMARY

This project is an ongoing, multi-phase plan. Onondaga County Department of Facilities Management has embarked on improvements to our downtown complex with the mission of sustainability, energy reduction, ADA improvements, asset protection, preventative maintenance, safety, and security with commitments to our climate action plan and financial stewardship. We request the support and funds to continue our mission. We have a phased approach for the future that will deliver a managed maintenance program that we can count on as consistent, complete and economical.

FUNDING BY SOURCE (000's)

SOURCE	Prior	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	6-Year	Total
Authorized Borrowing	11,520	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,520
Borrowing to Authorize	-	500	500	500	-	-	-	1,500	1,500
Cash for Capital	880	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	880
TOTALS	12,400	500	500	500	-	-	-	1,500	13,900

SCOPE & DETAILS

This is an ongoing project.

The following is a list of projects that we intend to address with the remainder of the 2019 funds as well as with the funds that we will request in the future.

VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS IN CIVIC CENTER

- *The main focus of this project is to continue the renovation efforts in the Civic Center, which include ADA enhancements in restrooms and security provisions for employees related to modifications of front entrances, key access doors and surveillance cameras. We will continue with designing the reconfigurations and modifications required to reduce the potential for contagion spread.*
- *Renovations on the east side of the 8th floor of the Civic Center needed to accommodate additional personnel in Children and Family Services. The objects of these renovations will be floors, walls, ceiling, lighting, HVAC, workspace furniture and break area (\$1,175,000 in debt in 2022)*
- *Renovations in floors 3, 4, 5 and 13 of Civic Center, which will be used by social services. The 3rd floor will undergo a full renovation while the other floors will undergo partial renovations. (\$1,820,000 in debt and \$235,000 in cash in 2022 and \$1,000,000 in debt in 2023)*
- *Space renovations in CC basement to create a BDC office space.(\$235,000 in cash in 2022)*

MULTIPLE BUILDINGS/EXTERIOR COMPLEX:

- *Asbestos removals. We will continue removals and cleanups in various buildings and tunnels.*
- *Sidewalk panel replacement - miscellaneous areas*
- *Replace and enhance public address systems in compliance with PESH, Codes and Emergency Management reports*
- *Surveillance system enhancement in various buildings in the downtown complex: This project will consist in some additions and improvements in hardware and software to the existing surveillance system, which will enhance the actual performance of this system as well as expand on the existing camera locations to include street views.*

ARMY RESERVE CENTER RENOVATIONS:

This project will consist in renovation of the physical space, and major technological upgrades to transition a County owned, former Army Reserve Center into a state-of-the-art Emergency Operations Center (EOC). The new facility would increase the County's ability to respond to incidents by improving workspace and providing a facility that is remote from one of the highest risk areas within the County. The option of moving the EOC out of the primary county office building will help to mitigate the impacts to public safety operations if the primary facility were to become unavailable. The new location would also allow emergency management staff to co-locate with the EOC and all of its response assets.

Enhancements to the site would include facility renovations, such as re-configuring the current facility layout, enhance security and intrusion protection systems, the addition of redundant power and internet capabilities and improved HVAC systems.

In spring 2023 we received authorization for \$3,495,000 in bonds and \$470,000 in cash as well as \$1,000,000 in Federal Aid, to fund the work at the army reserve center, on 8th floor at Civic Center and to start the work for social services and BBC clinic. As of summer, 2022 the work in all these objects has started and is in various phases of design and construction.

In spring 2025 we intend to seek authorization for \$500,000 to continue with asset protection, building system replacements, furniture and office environment rehabilitations as additional departments require for efficiency of their operations.

- Seeking \$500K authorization as an ongoing investment in various County buildings
 - Targets unforeseen projects; ie: HVAC in various buildings, roof repairs, targeted interests as they arise
- Army Reserve Center is complete and doing well
 - One outbuilding houses all equipment and is readily available for deployment at anytime
 - A lot of equipment is borrowed by other municipalities
 - Received preliminary planning request to upgrade a basement down the road to expand training

A motion was made by Mr. Knapp to approve this item.

Questions/Comments from the Committee:

- Is the \$500K figure a good approximation for what gets spent each year?
 - Have been utilizing \$500K for 7 years
 - May need to ask for an increase next year

Dr. Kelly seconded the motion. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

- 3. **PARKS & RECREATION:** Brian Kelley, Commissioner
 - a. **BOND: A Resolution Authorizing Improvements to Oneida Shores Facilities in and for the County of Onondaga, New York, at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$2,252,000, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,252,000 Bonds of Said County to Pay Costs Thereof (\$2,252,000)**

Oneida Shores - Shore & Facility Rehabilitation

DEPARTMENT: Parks & Recreation PROJECT
 TYPE: Maintenance & Rehabilitation
 PROJECT STATUS: Ongoing
 BUDGET STATUS: Partially Authorized
 PHASE STATUS: Implementing



SUMMARY

Many of the Oneida Shores facilities are old and in need of upgrades and improvement. Portions of the shoreline are eroding, posing a potential risk.

FUNDING BY SOURCE (000's)

SOURCE	Prior	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	6-Year	Total
Borrowing to Authorize	-	540	1,712	-	-	-	-	2,252	2,252
Cash for Capital	570	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	570
TOTALS	570	540	1,712	-	-	-	-	2,252	2,822

SCOPE & DETAILS

Resolution 2023-036 from March 2023 authorized \$570,000 cash to be used for the following:

1. Install a sewer system in the RV campground that will replace existing tanks, improving campgrounds desirability and reducing WEP service needs (\$90,000)
2. Perform a shoreline stabilization project at Muskrat Bay to eliminate the loss of land and shoreline due to erosion (\$240,000)
3. Install a pay gate for users of the boar launch (\$120,000)
4. Install a fish weigh station to be used for tournaments (\$120,000)

In 2025 we intend to seek legislative authorization for \$540,000 in bonds to complete the following:

1. Hire an Architect/Engineering firm to design a new combination restroom/changing room/office building (\$90,000)
2. Floor resurfacing at the Arrowhead Lodge (\$50,000)
3. Paving of the campgrounds (400,000)

In 2026 we intend to seek legislative authorization for \$1,712,000 in bonds to complete the following:

1. *Construction for a new facility to house offices, restrooms and storage (\$1,500,000)*
2. *Design for a campground restroom/shower facility (\$40,000)*
3. *Arrowhead Lodge paving (\$20,000)*
4. *Main entryway paving (\$152,000)*

- Every project listed above reflects previous committee conversations
- Close to completing many of the projects listed
 - Completion will put County in a position to attract out of town guests and larger scale fishing tournaments
- Arrowhead Lodge was built in early 1980’s
 - It is falling apart and time to replace the floor
 - Would like to do something similar to Jamesville Beach where offices, showers, lifeguards are all in one area
 - Currently regular offices and certain staff are separated from the beach area at Arrowhead
 - Putting all staff in the same area will provide better control

Questions/Comments from the Committee:

- What does the revenue and attendance look like at Oneida Shores?
 - Typical attendance is 200-250K people; this year was over 310K
 - Revenue was up a little but needed to close the beach due to E. coli concerns
 - This will be the first season for the pay gate and expect revenue to increase quite a bit
 - Will also be looking at splash pads to provide an alternate way to cool off if beach is to close

A motion was made by Ms. Hernandez, seconded by Mr. Knapp, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

b. 29:52 BOND: A Resolution Authorizing Improvements to Various Parks in and for the County of Onondaga, New York, at a Maximum Estimated Cost of \$2,205,000, and Authorizing the Issuance of \$2,205,000 Bonds of Said County to Pay Costs Thereof (\$2,205,000)

Parks Various Improvements

DEPARTMENT: *Parks & Recreation PROJECT*

TYPE: *Maintenance & Rehabilitation*

PROJECT STATUS: *Ongoing*

BUDGET STATUS: *Partially Authorized*

PHASE STATUS: *Implementing*



SUMMARY

Much of the Parks Infrastructure is decades old and in need of replacement. Some equipment is obsolete and spare parts are unavailable. Buildings need renovations and updates to meet current standards. Playgrounds are aging and need new equipment and resurfacing. Park roads, parking areas and trails need continuing repair and repaving. This project will take a systematic approach to replacing old and obsolete equipment, systems and surfaces at various facilities in the Parks Department.

FUNDING BY SOURCE (000's)

SOURCE	Prior	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	6-Year	Total
Authorized Borrowing	6,691	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,691
Borrowing to Authorize	-	2,205	6,369	5,535	5,540	440	1,130	21,219	21,219
TOTALS	6,691	2,205	6,369	5,535	5,540	440	1,130	21,219	27,910

SCOPE & DETAILS

Bond Resolution 2021-015 authorized Parks department to spend \$2,160,000 to complete the following:

- 1) Beaver Lake Nature Center
 - *Replace windows and sliding doors which are leaking (\$30,000) – COMPLETE*

- *Replace paneling and floor tile in the Beaver Lake Community Room (\$50,000) – PARTIALLY COMPLETE*
 - *Replace well and chlorine pumps (\$15,000) – REVIEWING OPTIONS*
 - *Hire an Architect/Engineer to provide a conceptual design for Lake House (\$30,000) – DISCUSSING OPTIONS*
- 2) Highland Forest
- *Repair various buildings which are decaying and have missing windows. (\$200,000) – COMPLETE*
 - *Replace 20+ year old propane boilers (\$100,000) – COMPLETE*
- 3) Onondaga Lake Park
- *Replace windows, doors and renovate restrooms at Griffin Visitors Center (\$200,000) – COMPLETE*
 - *Perform an engineering assessment of the docks, electricity, lighting, and retaining wall (\$50,000) – COMPLETE*
 - *Replace various corroded electrical panel boxes (\$20,000) – COMPLETE*
- 4) Veterans Cemeteries
- *Build a flag monument consisting of 6 flags (one for each branch of the military service and one US flag) (\$60,000) – COMPLETE*
 - *Put stone dust on Loomis Cemetery interior roads (\$15,000) – INCLUDED IN CEMETERY MASTER PLAN*
- 5) Zoo
- *Make necessary repairs to water system as determined by engineering study (\$125,000 est.) – LOOKING AT ALTERNATE SOLUTIONS*
 - *Replace mechanical, electrical and HVAC equipment, which have had emergency repairs (\$150,000) – WORK BEGAN SUMMER 2024*
 - *Make repairs to concrete in Penguin Exhibit Pool and Beach to reduce water leakage (\$50,000) – REVIEWING OPTIONS*
 - *Eliminate safety hazards in existing Elephant Overlook Railing/Fence (\$10,000) – COMPLETE*
 - *Replace the existing alarm system that covers critical zoo functions (fire alarms, chillers, various animal life support systems, etc.) (\$100,000) – COMPLETE*
 - *Replace window panels with UV Glass. UV light is necessary for the health of the animals. This includes the windows next to the airlock (\$100,000) – SPRING 2024*
 - *Repair main building flat roof and skylights which are leaking and need a comprehensive inspection (\$80,000) – COMPLETE*
 - *Thorough inspection and repair to A-Building roof that is leaking (\$50,000) – COMPLETE*
 - *Repair the perimeter fence near the tiger exhibit. The current fence has some damaged sections including tree damage (\$25,000) – COMPLETE*
 - *Install safety and security lighting at all Perimeter Gates (\$50,000) – RECEIVING QUOTES*
 - *Takin/Markhor/Camel/Grey Wolf Exhibit Fencing replacement. This fencing needs to be reinforced and replaced, including overhangs to meet AZA standards (\$175,000) – COMPLETE*
 - *Snow Leopard Exhibit Improvements: renovations to existing exhibit built in 1984. The original timbers are becoming a safety issue. Items include an expanded footprint with elevated walkway, replacement of the existing outdated mesh and replacement of off exhibit holdings. This project would allow for us to be in compliance with the AZA snow leopard SSP (\$250,000) – PLANNING PHASE*
 - *Tropical River Exhibit: Existing pool filtration does not function well and needs to be overhauled for better filtration, circulation to ultimately save money on water usage (\$25,000) – RECEIVING QUOTES*
 - *Zoo Security: Addition of cameras throughout the property to monitor access during all hours and document events. This will reduce liability and deter illegal activity. This project includes Wi-Fi throughout the zoo (\$200,000) – COMPLETE*

Bond Resolution 2022-019 authorized the Parks department to spend \$2,685,000 to complete the following:

- 1) Beaver Lake Nature Center
- *Replace A/C system (50,000) – RE-EVALUATING*
- 2) Oneida Shores
- *Replace fence at playground (\$75,000) – COMPLETE*
 - *Add solar-powered lighting on roads and trails near Arrowhead lodge (55,000) – COMPLETE*
- 3) Onondaga Lake Park
- *Repair, replace and upgrade docks, electrical system, lighting and retaining wall (\$1,000,000) – DESIGN COMPLETE*
 - *Parks Administration Building – Replace office windows with more energy efficient options (\$360,000) – DISCUSSING OPTIONS*
 - *Mill and repave 1.9 mile shoreline walking trail (\$440,000) – COMPLETE*
- 4) Playgrounds
- *Replace playground structures and surfaces at Oneida Shores (\$250,000) – IN PROCESS*
- 5) Zoo
- *Lighting of the main parking lot. The addition of efficient permanent lights would reduce the need for renting temporary solutions (\$200,000) – MONEY REALLOCATED FOR EMERGENCY FENCE REPAIR.*
 - *Expand Zoo PA system to reach all areas of the zoo: The existing PA system is limited to the main building and courtyard areas (\$50,000) – DESIGN PHASE*
 - *Crane Yard Fencing Improvements: The existing mesh fence currently is not tall enough for containment of the exhibits inhabitants on windy days (\$50,000). – COMPLETE*
 - *Enclose Otter Holdings: Improvements for both animal and staff safety. In the winter, conditions create thick layers of ice hazards*

for both keepers and animals. This includes repair to the concrete floor and drains (\$75,000). – PLANNING PHASE

- Floor in Cave/Adaptation: The current tile and linoleum is failing, causing potential trip hazards and allowing water into the building (\$30,000). – REVIEWING OPTIONS
- Mesh in Primate Holdings: Includes vertical mesh and the angled mesh in the Siamang, GLT, Komodo, Colobus, Patas, and Amur exhibits (\$50,000). – BID APRIL 2024

Bond Resolution 2023-013 authorized the Parks department to spend \$2,961,000 to complete the following:

- 1) Pratt's Falls
 - Engineering/Design Camp Brockway Area. (\$100,000) – BID SUMMER 2024
- 2) Beaver Lake Nature Center
 - Evaluate relocating concession building and provide water, drainage and electric – RE-EVALUATING
 - Security Camera and new alarm system in building - (\$50,000) - RE-EVALUATING
- 3) Highland Forest
 - Replace chlorination systems at Pratt's Falls and Highland Forest with UV disinfectant system (\$24,000) - RE-EVALUATING
 - Skyline Lodge
 - New Composite Decking (\$75,000) - RECEIVING QUOTES
 - 3 Gates - (\$75,000) – COMPLETE
 - Community Shelter Roof (\$75,000) – COMPLETE
- 4) Onondaga Lake Park
 - Perform Comprehensive tree risk assessment (\$100,000) – IN PROCESS
- 5) Paving
 - Pave Griffin visitor center (\$810,000) – COMPLETE
- 6) Oneida Shores
 - Pave Oneida Shores office and maintenance compound (\$120,000) – IN PROCESS
- 7) Playgrounds
 - Add playground at Highland Forest and continue to replace structures and surfaces to various parks (\$300,000) – REVIEWING PLANS
 - Architecture/Engineering for garage at Veterans Cemetery, Highland and the Zoo (\$100,000) – BID 2024
- 8) Zoo
 - Bear Exhibit Improvements: Convert into an eagle exhibit in the future. The design will be like Primate Park with the current viewing windows being kept, footers being placed inside the exhibit, steel poles erected, and the entire exhibit meshed over. This is also due to the fact that this exhibit is now outdated for bears in a modern zoo setting. (\$60,000) – MONEY USED FOR AZA PROJECTS
 - Takin Exhibit Improvements: Improvements to the existing Takin exhibit for a new chute and weighing system that is capable of holding a male Takin. (\$60,000) – MONEY USED FOR AZA PROJECTS
 - Markhor Exhibit Improvements: Improvements to the existing Markhor exhibit for animal containment and a viewing window in the fence for the public. Re-landscaping the project would reduce the risk of containment issues, provide a better habitat for the Markhor, and a more viewing friendly exhibit for the public. (\$60,000) – MONEY USED FOR AZA PROJECTS
 - Panda Building: Design and construction of a new breeding panda facility that is isolated from public view and noise. The old facility is no longer in use and the current animals do not have an adequate space for birthing. (\$240,000) – MONEY USED FOR AZA PROJECTS
 - Update perimeter fencing to meet AZA standards. (\$700,000) – IN PROCESS

Bond Resolution 2024-020 authorized the Parks department to spend \$1,935,000 for the following:

- 1) Beaver Lake Nature Center
 - Replace septic tank (\$126,000) - RE-EVALUATING
 - Replace parking lot lights in paved lots and around building (\$52,500) - RE-EVALUATING
- 2) Jamesville Beach
 - Replace Sandpiper Shelter and Overlook decks (\$273,000)
- 3) Oneida Shores
 - Engineering of Campground Restroom Replacement (\$25,000) – SUMMER 2024
- 4) Playgrounds
 - Continue to replace and add playground structures and surfaces to various parks (\$250,000)
- 5) Zoo
 - Hoof stock Barn and Management Area: Construct a new weatherproof, heated, multi-species hoof stock management barn in the “Core” area of the Zoo. Also construct new chain-link containment yards and chutes. (\$450,000). – PLANNING PROCESS
 - Perimeter Fence Project Continuation (\$505,000) – SUMMER 2024
 - Elephant Barn Windows: The addition of clerestory windows would increase the level of natural light in the barn and reduce the

current energy usage due to running air exchange systems on an almost constant basis (\$252,000). – PLANNING PROCESS

In 2025 we intend to seek legislative authorization for \$2,205,000 to complete the following:

- 1) Onondaga Lake Park
 - Engineering for Willow Bay Parking Lot Redesign (\$60,000)
 - Griffins Visitor Center Maintenance Compound Stone Privacy Wall Repointing – (\$125,000)
 - Griffin Visitor Center HVAC Replacement – Remove and replace current units that were installed in 2003 (\$50,000)
- 2) Beaver Lake Nature Center
 - Facility Building Plan – (\$100,000)
 - Gate Payment System – Upgrade existing pay gate. (\$60,000)
 - Shade Structure – Install a permanent shade structure in the hardscape area in front of the Visitor Center. (\$50,000)
- 3) NBT Stadium
 - Concrete Repair and Replace – Repair numerous concrete cracks, breaks and missing sections - Two Year Job
 - Mini Bid for Engineering – (\$75,000)
- 4) Cemetery Paving:
 - Veterans Cemetery (\$125,000)
- 5) Zoo
 - Parking Lot Lighting (\$300,000)
 - Pave Zoo Interior (\$960,000)
 - Zoo Infrastructure (\$200,000)
 - Condition Assessment study (\$100,000)

In 2026 we intend to seek legislative authorization for \$6,369,000 to complete the following:

- 1) Storage Garages
 - Highland Forest, Veterans Cemetery and Zoo locations - (\$2,270,000)
- 2) Beaver Lake Nature Center
 - Pave two rows of overflow lot to improve accessibility (\$100,000) Hire engineer/architect to design a reconfiguration and/or extension of Visitor Center restrooms and classrooms (\$100,000)
- 3) Highland Forest
 - Replace Sawmill Roof (\$180,000)
- 4) Jamesville Beach
 - Installation of Splash Pad. - (\$410,000)
 - Build a new reserve shelter to mitigate capacity constraints (\$188,000)
 - Relocation of Volleyball Courts - (\$75,000)
 - Install colored concrete pads to accommodate a picnic area w/ tables & grills. (\$138,000)
 - Installation of two pickle ball courts. - (\$188,000)
- 5) NBT Stadium
 - Stadium Tunnel (\$200,000)
 - Suite Level Window Replacement – Replace all windows on the suite levels of the stadium. (\$200,000)
 - Door & Lock Repair/Replacement – Replace/repair various doors throughout the stadium. (\$300,000)
 - Concrete Repair and Replace – Repair numerous concrete cracks, breaks and missing sections. Construction – (\$300,000)
- 6) Onondaga Lake Park
 - Construction of Willow Bay Parking Lot (\$1,200,000)
- 7) Cemetery Paving
 - Loomis Hill Cemetery (\$400,000)
- 8) Zoo
 - Pave driveway to Animal Health Center (\$120,000)

In 2027 we intend to seek legislative authorization for \$5,535,000 to complete the following:

- 1) Highland Forest
 - Skyline Lodge Expansion (\$120,000)
 - Public Camping Area (\$120,000)
- 2) Jamesville Beach
 - Installation of three new shelters - (\$920,000)
- 3) Oneida Shores
 - Campground Restroom Replacement (\$600,000)
 - Various Paving Projects: Maples Shelter – (\$600,000); McKinley Parking Areas – (\$290,000); Boat Launch Parking Area

and Launch – (\$530,000)

- *Playground Updates – Update/upgrade the playground on the beachside of the property including new musical area, additional shade structures, seating and surfacing. Install a new playground area (age 3-9) for the campground area. (\$515,000)*
 - *Replace Maple Tent with a permanent structure. - (\$600,000)*
- 4) Onondaga Lake Park
- *Renovate Hiawatha Point Comfort Station which is outdated (\$250,000)*
 - *Park wide Lock Improvements (Cyber Locks) - (\$630,000)*
- 5) Playgrounds
- *Continue to replace and add playground structures and surfaces to various parks (\$360,000)*

In 2028 we intend to seek legislative authorization for \$5,540,000 to complete the following:

- 1) Onondaga Lake Park
 - 2) *Convert former Onondaga Lake Park Concession building that is now empty to a reserved shelter space (\$1,135,000)*Jamesville Beach
 - *Repave Jamesville Beach parking lot and driveways (\$680,000)*
- *Installation of fence around the perimeter of the off-leash dog park (\$945,000)*
- 3) Pratt's Falls
 - *New Shelter Construction (\$600,000)*
 - 4) Paving
 - *Pave the parking lots at Highland Forest Sledding Hill and maintenance area at Beaver Lake (\$605,000)*
 - *Paving and drainage of Long Branch Park parking lot (\$1,575,000)*

In 2029 we intend to seek legislative authorization for \$440,000 to complete the following:

- 1) Onondaga Lake Park
 - *Upgrade archery range (\$440,000)*

In 2030 we intend to seek legislative authorization for \$1,130,000 to complete the following:

- 1) Onondaga Lake Park
 - *Mud Lock #5 Restoration – Restore entire historical footprint of the Old Mud Lock #5, and neighboring grounds. (\$500,000)*
- 2) Playgrounds
 - *Continue to replace and add playground structures and surfaces to various parks (\$630,000)*

- Annual ask is the most important project because it provides flexibility in case of an emergency
- Most requests are safety related or well needed upgrades


Questions/Comments from the Committee:

- Would like to get out to Onondaga Lake Park to look at the marina over the summer
 - The marina project is coming along nicely
- How is the boardwalk looking at Beaver Lake?
 - Phase 1 will be done in April – County investment was ~\$2M
 - Will need an additional ~\$1.5M to complete phase 2
 - Will be looking to Friends group and Committee for assistance
- Has anyone approached Parks Department about programming for students with disabilities?
 - No, but have open ears if there is someone who wants to
 - Jamesville and Onondaga Lake Park playgrounds are already set up that way
 - Will be putting in a brand new playground facility at Highland Forest behind the lodge this year
- Is accessible seating for access to the beach an option within the County yet?
 - Yes, believe Recreation Director has quotes on seating and would like to move forward this year
 - Commissioner Kelley to follow up with Legislator Kelly on availability and timing of seating options
 - Longbranch Park is completely accessible

A motion was made by Mr. Knapp, seconded by Ms. Hernandez, to approve this item. Passed unanimously; MOTION CARRIED.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



TAMMY BARBER, Deputy Clerk
Onondaga County Legislature

ATTENDANCE

COMMITTEE: COUNTY FACILITIES COMMITTEE

DATE: FEBRUARY 18, 2025

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Dawn Marmor	LIBRARY
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