STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF SCHENECTADY

THE MINUTES

of a Regular Meeting of the Schenectady County Legislature held September 10, 2024 7:00 p.m. at Legislative Chambers Schenectady County Office Building, 620 State Street, Schenectady, New York

September 10, 2024

The invocation was given by Father Pastor Moore

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Legislator Frisoni

Moment of Silence

Chairman Hughes led a moment of silence in remembrance of all of those affected by the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001.

Ceremonial Resolutions

Chairman Hughes recognized Hispanic Heritage Month in Schenectady County. He noted that the ceremonial resolution will be presented at a later date.

LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

Chairman Hughes called the Legislative Conference of the Schenectady County Legislature to order and instructed the Clerk to call the roll.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: 15 (Ruzzo, Pratt, McGill, Samuel, Frisoni, Cuomo, Patierne,

Ostrelich, Vellano, Hess, Hughes, Gatta, Jasenski, Fields,

Constantine)

Absent: 0

Excused: 0 Vacant: 0

Meeting of Committee on Rules

Legislator Fields called the meeting of the Committee on Rules to order.

Legislator Gatta read and acknowledged Rules Initiative 44-24.

Legislator Gatta moved to report Rules Initiative 44-24 Legislator Cuomo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Legislator Jasenski moved to report Rules Initiative 45-24 Legislator McGill seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Legislator Jasenski moved to report Rules Initiative 46-24 Legislator McGill seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Adrienne Silva, Director of Senior Long-Term Care explained Rules Initiative 47-

Legislator Hughes moved to report Rules Initiative 47-24 Legislator Ostrelich seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Christopher Gardner, Schenectady County Attorney explained Rules Initiative 48-24.

Legislator Hughes moved to report Rules Initiative 48-24 Legislator Ruzzo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Rory Fluman, County Manager explained Rules Initiative 49-24.

Legislator Gatta moved to report Rules Initiative 49-24 Legislator Cuomo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Legislator Jasenski gave a brief summation of Rules Initiative 50-24.

Legislator Hughes moved to report Rules Initiative 50-24 Legislator Ruzzo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Christopher Gardner, County Attorney explained Rules Initiative 51-24.

Legislature Ruzzo thanked all involved with Rules Initiative 51-24.

Legislator Ruzzo moved to report Rules Initiative 51-24 Legislator McGill seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Privilege of the Floor

Netty Crossman of Guilderland, and the Executive Director of Safe Inc., spoke about Safe Inc. of Schenectady, introduced the new Executive Director, Kevin Doherty, and thanked the members for all their support during her tenure and in the future.

Kevin Doherty, the new Executive Director of Safe Inc. of Schenectady, introduced himself and spoke on the organization's progress, issues of note, and future goals.

REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Hughes called the Legislative Conference of the Schenectady County Legislature to order and instructed the Clerk to call the roll.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: 15 (Ruzzo, Pratt, McGill, Samuel, Frisoni, Cuomo, Patierne, Ostrelich, Vellano, Hess, Hughes, Gatta, Jasenski, Fields,

Constantine)

Absent: 0 Excused: 0 Vacant: 0

Approval Minutes

Legislator Gatta made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 13th meeting. Legislator Cuomo seconded the motion. The motion was carried without objection.

Reports

We have received reports from: The Commissioner of Finance, the Department of Weights and Measures, and the County Clerk.

Committee Reports

Legislator Pratt reported the Committee on Environmental Conservation, Renewable Energy and Parks met on September 3, 2024, and reported to the agenda Resolutions 159 and 160.

Legislator Samuel reported the Committee on Economic Development met on September 3, 2024 and reported to the agenda Resolution 161.

Legislator Ostrelich reported the Committee on Health, Housing, and Human Services met on September 3, 2024, and reported to the agenda Resolutions 162 and 163.

Legislator Frisoni reported the Committee on Labor and Civil Service met on September 3, 2024 and reported to the agenda Resolutions 164 and 165.

Legislator Vellano reported the Committee on Military and Veteran Affairs on September 3, 2024 and reported to the agenda Resolution 166.

Legislator Patierne reported the Committee on Codes, Public Facilities, and Transportation & Infrastructure met on September 3, 2024, and reported to the agenda Resolution 167.

Legislator Fields reported the Committee on Rules met on September 3, 2024, and reported to the agenda Resolutions 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 168, and 169.

Legislator Fields reported the Committee on Ways and Means met on September 3, 2024, and reported to the agenda Resolutions 159, 160, 162, 163, 164, and 167.

Resolutions

RESOLUTION 153-24

Sponsored by the Committee on Rules:

A RESOLUTION HONORING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH 2024 IN THE COUNTY OF SCHENECTADY

WHEREAS, National Hispanic Heritage Month, beginning September 15th and ending October 15th, is an important time to recognize and celebrate the histories, cultures, and contributions to the cultural, economic, political, and social landscape of the United States of America by American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America; and

WHEREAS, Hispanic Heritage Month celebrates the traditions, ancestry, and unique experiences of those who trace their family background to Spain and Latin American countries; and

WHEREAS, accomplishments made by such individuals serve as an inspiration to all who seek freedom, opportunity and a new beginning for themselves and their children; and

WHEREAS, these individuals and their ancestors have contributed greatly to our nation in all areas, including science, art, music, sports, education, and public service and have bravely served their country in large numbers in times of peace, war and in every way in our nation's history; and

WHEREAS, 63.7 million people, 19.1% of our population, are of Hispanic or Latino origin, with 1.3 million Hispanics and Latino being veterans of the U.S Armed Forces: now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Schenectady County Legislature celebrates the cultural, social, political, and economic contributions and ties that exist within the Hispanic and Latino communities of the United States and Schenectady County,

thus honoring September 15th through October 15th as Hispanic Heritage Month 2024 in the County of Schenectady.

9/10/2024:	Reported from the Committee on Rules (R44)

9/10/2024: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 15.0000 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess,

Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt,

Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)

 Nays:
 0.0000

 Absent:
 0.0000

 Abstain:
 0.0000

 Excused:
 0.0000

RESOLUTION 154-24

Sponsored by the Committee on Rules:

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE SCHENECTADY COUNTY 250TH AMERICAN REVOLUTION COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the patriots of Schenectady County played a vital role in the fight for independence during the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, enough patriots from Schenectady County volunteered to form a company to support Ethan Allen and the Green Mountain Boys after their capture of Fort Ticonderoga in May of 1775; and

WHEREAS, subsequently more patriots from Schenectady County volunteered to constitute two additional companies to form the Schenectady Battalion, which was later incorporated into the 2nd Albany County Militia; and

WHEREAS, Schenectady County sent equipment and other necessary supplies to Whitehall, New York to support the building of a small fleet of vessels that was under the command of Benedict Arnold that sailed north on Lake Champlain to engage the British fleet at the Battle of Valcour Island; and

WHEREAS, Schenectady County sent a local militia to Fort Edward to help the Continental army in its efforts to slow the advance of British troops southward from Canada in May of 1777; and

WHEREAS, Schenectady County sent a local militia, along with forty Rhode Island soldiers, to the Nicholas Van Patten farm in what is today the town of Guilderland in August of 1777 to engage and disperse a large band of Tories, which was subsequently referred to as the Battle of Normanskill; and

WHEREAS, patriots from Schenectady County, as part of the 2nd Albany County Militia, participated in the victories in the Saratoga Campaign in September and October of 1777, forcing the surrender of the British army under the command of General John Burgoyne, which victory was a turning point in the fight for freedom in the American Revolution; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County local militia marched into Schoharie County throughout 1778 to combat the activities of Mohawk warrior and tribal leader Joseph Brant and his Tory allies, which contributed to the Sullivan Campaign; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County local militia was sent to Schoharie to the west and the nearby town of Ballston to the north during the raids of 1779-1781 to protect settlements in those areas from incursions by Brant and his tribe of Mohawks, Tories and other British soldiers; and

WHEREAS, Schenectady County provided a hospital to serve American forces throughout the American Revolution, and also provided aid and comfort to the Oneida Indians, to ensure that they did not become British allies during the War of Independence; and

WHEREAS, patriots from Schenectady County serving in the 2nd Albany County Militia were at the Battle of Johnstown in October of 1781, the last significant military engagement in the Mohawk Valley and of the war itself, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the Schenectady County Legislature hereby creates a Schenectady County 250th American Revolution Commission consisting of community leaders and historians whose purpose is to educate its citizens by organizing various celebrations, activities and programs to commemorate the American fight for independence, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Schenectady County Legislature hereby appoints the following persons to be members of the commission, which shall include the County Manager, the County Historian, the City of Schenectady historian, the Town Historians of each Town in Schenectady County, and three members appointed by the Chairman of the County Legislature as follows: one upon the recommendation of the Schenectady County Historical Society, one upon the recommendation of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and one upon the recommendation of the miSci., and be it further

RESOLVED, that the scope and activity of the Schenectady County 250th American Revolution Commission shall include the scheduling and planning of events, and to serve in an advisory capacity for its individual members; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the members of the Schenectady County 250th American Revolution Commission shall receive no salary or compensation for their services, and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Schenectady County 250th American Revolution Commission will be active from the date this resolution is passed until December 31, 2033.

9/10/2024: Reported from the Committee on Rules (R45)

9/10/2024: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 15.0000 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess,

Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt,

Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)

 Nays:
 0.0000

 Absent:
 0.0000

 Abstain:
 0.0000

 Excused:
 0.0000

RESOLUTION 155-24

Sponsored by the Committee on Rules:

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING LOCAL LAW NO. B OF 2024

BE IT ENACTED by the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, as follows;

WHEREAS, proposed Local Law No. B-24, entitled:

A LOCAL LAW AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE COUNTY OF SCHENECTADY

was heretofore introduced on August 13, 2024; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the law, a public hearing upon proposed Local Law No. B-24, before this County Legislature, was duly held on the 3rd day of September, 2024; and

WHEREAS, said proposed Local Law in final form has been on the desks of the members of this County Legislature since the 13th day of August, 2024, constituting a period of over seven (7) days, exclusive of Sundays; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the aforesaid proposed Local Law No. B-24 entitled:

A LOCAL LAW AUTHORIZING THE CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE COUNTY OF SCHENECTADY

introduced on the 13th day of August, 2024, be and the same is hereby approved and adopted as Local Law No. 3-24.

9/10/2024: Reported from the Committee on Rules (R46)

9/10/2024: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 15.0000 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess,

Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt,

Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)

 Nays:
 0.0000

 Absent:
 0.0000

 Abstain:
 0.0000

 Excused:
 0.0000

RESOLUTION 156-24

Sponsored by the Committee on Rules:

A RESOLUTION TO CREATE AND ELIMINATE CERTAIN POSITIONS AT THE OFFICE OF SENIOR AND LONG-TERM CARE SERVICES

BE IT ENACTED, by the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Manager of the Schenectady County Senior and Long-Term Care Services by memorandum dated September 4, 2024 requests that two positions of Aging Services Representative be created, and that two positions of Caseworker (EISEP) be eliminated in the Office of Senior and Long-Term Care Services; and

WHEREAS, the Manager of the Schenectady County Senior and Long-Term Care Services states that these changes will provide increased operational efficiency within the Office; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Human Resources by memorandum dated September 6, 2024 recommends the creation of two positions of Aging Services Representative at CSEA Grade 12 in the Office of Senior and Long-Term Care Services, and anticipates that all necessary action by the Schenectady County Civil Service Commission will be taken at its next meeting on September 17, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated September 6, 2024 recommends that two positions of Caseworker (EISEP) be eliminated, that two positions of Aging Services Representative (CSEA Grade 12) be created in the Office of Senior and Long-Term Care Services, and that the appropriate budgetary amendments be approved; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following positions at the Office of Senior and Long-Term Care Services be and they hereby are created as follows:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Grade</u>
Aging Services Representative	12
Aging Services Representative	12

; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the aforesaid two positions of Caseworker (EISEP) in the Office of Senior and Long-Term Care Services, be and they hereby are eliminated; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2024 Operating Budget be and it hereby is amended as follows:

Increase Expense Code By:

A51677201827	Aging Services Representative	
	(2 Positions) (CS 12)	\$30.711

Decrease Expense Codes By:

A51677301231	Caseworker	
	(2 Positions) (CS 14)	\$37,548
A516773.130000	Longevity	\$2,617

Decrease Use of Fund Balance:

A.599		Appropriated Fund Balance	\$9,454
9/10/2024: 9/10/2024:		Reported from the Committee on Rules Adopted by the County Legislature	(R47)
Ayes:	15.0000	(Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, C Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Pa Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)	/ /
Nays:	0.0000	,	
Absent:	0.0000		
Abstain:	0.0000		
Excused:	0.0000		

RESOLUTION 157-24

Sponsored by the Committee on Rules:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AMENDMENT TO A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH SHERIFF DAGOSTINO, AND THE CORRECTION OFFICER'S BARGAINING UNIT OF THE SCHENECTADY COUNTY SHERIFF'S BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION, LOCAL 3874, COUNCIL 82, AFSCME, AFL-CIO

BE IT ENACTED by the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, as follows:

WHEREAS, the County Attorney by memorandum dated September 4, 2024 recommends an amendment to the contract previously entered into between the County, Sheriff Dagostino, and the Sheriffs Benevolent Association (Local 3874, Council 82, AFSCME, AFL-CIO) representing the Correction officer's bargaining unit; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney advises that the proposed amendment will rectify a situation whereby provisions of the prior contract provide certain correction officers with less seniority with more money than correction officers with more seniority; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney further advises that the proposed amendment shall include the following provisions:

- 1. Nine correction officers shall be moved from step 3 to step 4 effective on September 15, 2024;
- 2. Six correction officers shall be moved from step 1 to step 2 effective on September 15, 2024;
- 3. Five correction officers shall be moved from step 2 to step 3 on their anniversary date and will receive retroactive pay; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated September 6, 2024 recommends that the County enter into an amendment to a collective bargaining agreement with Sheriff Dagostino, and the Sheriffs Benevolent Association for the Correction officer's bargaining unit; and

WHEREAS, after extensive negotiations between representatives of the County and said union, an amendment to an agreement has been reached; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized to enter into an amendment to a collective bargaining agreement with Sheriff Dagostino, and the Schenectady County Sheriffs Benevolent Association, Local 3874, Council 82, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, subject to the consent and approval of the County Attorney, and consistent with the provisions of this resolution, for all

county employees in the Correction officer's bargaining unit represented by the aforesaid union.

9/10/2024: Reported from the Committee on Rules (R48)

9/10/2024: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 15.0000 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess,

Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt,

Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)

 Nays:
 0.0000

 Absent:
 0.0000

 Abstain:
 0.0000

 Excused:
 0.0000

RESOLUTION 158-24

Sponsored by the Committee on Rules:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A MULTI-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH TRINITY SERVICES GROUP, INC. FOR FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT AT THE SCHENECTADY COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

BE IT ENACTED, by the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Sheriff recommends, subject to review of submitted requests for proposals, by memorandum dated July 30, 2024 that Schenectady County enter into a three-year agreement (8/19/24 to 8/18/27) with Trinity Services Group, Inc. for food service operations for the incarcerated population and department staff; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Sheriff advises that the proposed cost per meal varies between \$2.877 and 1.737 per meal depending upon the incarcerated population (cost per meal will be adjusted annually based upon the consumer price index), which cost includes the providing of a full-time manager (salary of \$65,000 per year); and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Sheriff further advises that the proposed cost per meal for kosher/hallal meals will be \$6.50, and a staff dining fund of \$150,000 will be established annually; and

WHERAS, the Purchasing Agent by memorandum dated August 23, 2024 advises that a request for proposals for food services at the Schenectady County Correctional Facility was issued and proposals are due on September 6, 2024, after which such proposals will be reviewed and a contractor will be selected; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated September 6, 2024 recommends, subject to review of submitted requests for proposals, that the County enter into an agreement with Trinity Services Group, Inc. for food service operations for the incarcerated population and department staff, that the position of Senior Cook (Sheriff) be eliminated at the Schenectady County Correctional Facility, and that appropriate budgetary amendments be approved; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized, after approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, to negotiate and to execute a multi-year agreement with Trinity Services Group, Inc. for services consistent with the provisions of this Resolution, and, be if further

RESOLVED, that the aforesaid position of Senior Cook (Sheriff) at the Office of the Schenectady County Sheriff be and it hereby is eliminated; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2024 Operating Budget be and it hereby is amended as follows:

Decrease/Remove Expense Code By:

A51515001095	Sr. Cook (Sheriii)	\$17,848

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Increase Expense Codes By:

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A513150.132300	SBA Holidays	\$2,290
A513150.132500	Sick Retirement Benefit	\$9
A513150.131300	On Call	\$644

Decrease Use of Fund Balance:

A.599	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$14,905
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9/10/2024: Reported from the Committee on Rules (R49) 9/10/2024: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 15.0000 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess,

Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt,

Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)

 Nays:
 0.0000

 Absent:
 0.0000

 Abstain:
 0.0000

 Excused:
 0.0000

RESOLUTION 159-24

Sponsored by Legislator Pratt:

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ACCEPTANCE OF MONIES FROM THE NYS ENERGY AND RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR AN ENERGY EFFICIENCY STUDY AND ENERGY CONSERVATION INITIATIVES

BE IT ENACTED, by the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, as follows:

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated August 30, 2024 advises that Schenectady County was recently awarded a Clean Energy Community grant through the NYS Energy and Research Development Authority, which will support a Flex-tech study at the Schenectady County Courthouse and the planning and purchasing of electric motor vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager further advises that Schenectady County is projected to receive \$197,500.00 in funding, of which \$10,000.00 is in a voucher; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager recommends the acceptance of the aforesaid grant monies from the NYS Energy Research and Development Authority, and that appropriate budgetary amendments be made; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of these monies and utilization of these funds needs to be reflected in a resolution of this Legislature; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the County of Schenectady hereby accepts the aforesaid grant monies from the NYS Energy and Research Development Authority, and authorizes the utilization of such monies for the aforesaid purposes; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized, after approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, to enter into any necessary agreements, certifications, or reimbursement requests for the acceptance of such grant monies from the NYS Energy and Research Development Authority; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2024 Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Program be and they hereby are amended as follows:

Create/Increase Appropriation Codes by:

H525130.201000 – Capital – Road Machinery Equip 5130240084-0001-0201 (EV Vehicle Purchase) \$ 187,500.

Create/Increase Revenue Codes by:

H35130.3097 – Gen Gov Cap Projects \$ 187,500.

5130240084-3097-1838 (EV Vehicle Purchase)

A31230.391006 – Energy Efficiency Courthouse \$10,000.

9/10/2024: Reported from the Committee on Environmental

Conservation, Renewable Energy and Parks

(ECREP3)

Reported from the Committee on Ways and Means

9/10/2024: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 15.0000 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess,

Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt,

Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)

 Nays:
 0.0000

 Absent:
 0.0000

 Abstain:
 0.0000

 Excused:
 0.0000

RESOLUTION 160-24

Sponsored by Legislator Pratt:

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ACCEPTANCE OF MONIES FROM THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR THE SCHENECTADY COUNTY SOLAR ENERGY CONSORTIUM PROJECT

BE IT ENACTED, by the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, as follows:

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated August 30, 2024 advises that Schenectady County was recently awarded a grant from the NYS Department of State to be used for the Schenectady County Solar Energy Consortium Project; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager further advises that Schenectady County is projected to receive \$958,017.00 in funding; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager further advises that the grant monies would be used for expenses incurred during the development of the Consortium, including demolition costs associated with the L&M Motel project and personnel costs for certain Schenectady County employees who were involved in such project; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Manager recommends the acceptance of the grant from the New York State Department of State, and that appropriate budgetary amendments be made; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of these monies and utilization of these funds needs to be reflected in a resolution of this Legislature; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the County of Schenectady hereby accepts the aforesaid grant monies from the NYS Department of State, and authorizes the utilization of such monies for the aforesaid purposes; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized, after approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, to enter into any necessary agreements, certifications, or reimbursement requests for the acceptance of such grant monies from the NYS Department of State; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2024 Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Program be and they hereby are amended as follows:

Increase Appropriation Code by:

H541620.401000 - Capital - Building and Grounds Services	\$ 324,550.
1620240073-0001-0401	

Increase Revenue Codes by:

H31620.308939 – NYDOS Solar Consortium Grant	\$ 324,550.
1620240073-3089-0000	

A23333.281170 -	 Interfund Rev 	enue: Capital	\$ 324,550
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Decrease Use of Fund Balance:

A.599 – Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ 324,550.
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9/10/2024: Reported from the Committee on Environmental

Conservation, Renewable Energy and Parks

(ECREP4)

Reported from the Committee on Ways and Means

9/10/2024: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 15.0000 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess,

Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt,

Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)

Nays: 0.0000 Absent: 0.0000 Abstain: 0.0000 Excused: 0.0000

RESOLUTION 161-24

Sponsored by Legislator Samuel:

A RESOLUTION REGARDING DESIGNATING CERTAIN COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF SCHENECTADY AS BEING HELD IN TRUST FOR SUNY SCHENECTADY AS A SITE FOR AN AQUATICS CENTER

BE IT ENACTED by the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, as follows:

WHEREAS, this Governing Body recognizes that Schenectady County has purchased certain properties in downtown Schenectady for the benefit of SUNY Schenectady as a site for the SUNY Schenectady Aquatic Center, and

WHEREAS, this Governing Body is in support of these purchases for the benefit of SUNY Schenectady, as it has restrictions on physical expansions due to the Mohawk River flood plain and/or highways that surround the current campus; and

WHEREAS, this Governing Body recognizes that SUNY Schenectady has already commenced other expansions into various sites on the lower State Street corridor, including the Mill Lane complex, the Kindl Building and 13 State Street; and

WHEREAS, this Governing Body has purchased certain properties as trustee of SUNY Schenectady to ensure their availability for important academic and regional projects, and the County acknowledges that SUNY Schenectady will seek capital funding from SUNY/State of New York that will be used to reimburse the County for fifty (50%) percent of the purchase prices of such properties; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and Planning by memorandum dated August 22, 2024 recommends that this Governing Body approve a resolution designating that fourteen properties purchased by the County of Schenectady are being held in trust for SUNY Schenectady as a site for an aquatics center; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney by memorandum dated August 29, 2024 recommends that this Governing Body approve a resolution designating that fourteen properties purchased by the County of Schenectady are being held in trust for SUNY Schenectady as a site for an aquatics center, and that a tripartite agreement entered into between Schenectady County, SUNY Schenectady and the Adirondack Aquatics Center on May 14, 2024 regarding the construction and

operation of an Aquatics Center be amended to further define that SUNY Schenectady has full authority over the operations of the Aquatic Center; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated August 30, 2024 recommends that this Governing Body approve a resolution designating that certain properties purchased by the County of Schenectady are being held in trust for SUNY Schenectady as a site for an aquatics center, and that an agreement entered into by Schenectady County regarding the construction and operation of an Aquatics Center be modified to delineate that SUNY Schenectady has full authority over the operations of the Aquatic Center; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized, after approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, to enter into an amendment to a tripartite agreement between Schenectady County, SUNY Schenectady and the Adirondack Aquatics Center on May 14, 2024 regarding the construction and operation of an Aquatics Center to further define that SUNY Schenectady has full authority over the operations of the Aquatic Center; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the following real properties located in the City of Schenectady were purchased by Schenectady County in trust for use by SUNY Schenectady as an Aquatics Center:

<u>Address</u>	Purchase Price
222 South Ferry Street	\$1,215,000
141 Erie Boulevard	\$360,000
139 Erie Boulevard	\$500,000
104 Fuller Street	\$645,000
232 South Ferry Street	\$175,000
129 1/2 South Church Street	\$75,000
228 South Ferry Street	\$150,000
230 South Ferry Street	\$150,000
254 South Ferry Street	\$600,000
143 South Church Street	\$195,000
145 South Church Street	\$15,000
133 South Church Street	\$105,000
4 Fuller Street	\$125,000
234 South Ferry Street	\$250,000

9/10/2024: Reported from the Committee on Economic

Development and Planning (EDP10) Adopted by the County Legislature

9/10/2024: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 15.0000 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess,

Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt,

Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)

 Nays:
 0.0000

 Absent:
 0.0000

 Abstain:
 0.0000

 Excused:
 0.0000

RESOLUTION 162-24

Sponsored by Legislator Ostrelich:

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ACCEPTANCE OF MONIES FROM THE NYS OFFICE OF MENTAL HEALTH

BE IT ENACTED, by the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Public Health Director by memorandum dated August 30, 2024 advises that Schenectady County was recently awarded additional funds for cost-of living adjustments from the NYS Office of Mental Health to support certain community based mental health provider programs; and

WHEREAS, the Public Health Director further advises that Schenectady County is projected to receive \$102,752.00 in additional funding; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Manager by memorandum dated August 30, 2024 recommends the acceptance of additional grant monies from the New York State Office of Mental Health, and that appropriate budgetary amendments be made; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of these monies and utilization of these funds needs to be reflected in a resolution of this Legislature; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the County of Schenectady hereby accepts the aforesaid grant monies from the NYS Office of Mental Health, and authorizes the utilization of such monies for the aforesaid purposes; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized, after approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, to enter into any necessary agreements, certifications, or reimbursement requests for the acceptance of such grant monies from the NYS Office of Mental Health; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2024 Operating Budget be and it hereby is amended as follows:

Increase Expense Codes by:

A544322.400604 - Residential Services (Adults)			\$ 3,217.
A544322.400605 – Vocational Services (Adults)			\$ 5,570.
A544322.4006	506 – Commu	unity Support Programs (Adults)	\$ 11,284.
A544322.4006	607 – Case M	gmt Services (Children & Youth)	\$ 6,483.
A544322.4006	510 – Vocatio	onal Services (Children & Youth)	\$ 2,033.
A544322.400611 – Community Support Programs (Children & Youth)			\$ 6,842.
Increase Rever	nue Codes by	<u>:</u>	
A34322.349001 - Mental Health Services			\$ 87,394.
A34322.349006 – Mental Health Services (Children and Youth) \$15,358.			\$ 15,358.
A34310.349007 - Mental Health Services (Admin)			\$ 8,936.
Decrease Use of Surplus by:			
A.599 – Surplus Appropriation \$ 8,936.			\$ 8,936.
9/10/2024:		Reported from the Committee on Hea and Human Services (HHHS22)	
9/10/2024:		Reported from the Committee on Way Adopted by the County Legislature	s and Means
Ayes:	15.0000	(Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)	
Nays: Absent:	0.0000 0.0000	reallo, builder, vendio)	
Abstain: Excused:	0.0000 0.0000		

RESOLUTION 163-24

Sponsored by Legislator Ostrelich:

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT MONIES FROM THE NYS OFFICE OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE SCHENECTADY COUNTY CHILD ADVOCACY CENTER

BE IT ENACTED, by the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County District Attorney advises by memorandum dated August 16, 2024 that Schenectady County was recently awarded funds from the NYS Office of Children and Family Services for the support of the Child Advocacy Center; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County District Attorney further advises that Schenectady County is projected to receive \$50,000.00 in grant monies; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County District Attorney further advises that the funds will be used for training, supplies, materials and equipment to support the Child Advocacy Center's mental health and victim advocacy programs; and

WHEREAS, the Deputy Commissioner for Administration-Finance of the NYS Office of Children and Family Services by letter dated August 5, 2024 advises that Schenectady County is to receive \$50,000.00 for its Child Advocacy Center; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Manager by memorandum dated August 30, 2024 recommends the acceptance of the aforesaid monies from the NYS Office of Children and Family Services, and the approval of appropriate budgetary amendments; and

WHEREAS, acceptance of these monies and utilization of these funds needs to be reflected in a resolution of this Legislature; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Legislature of the County of Schenectady hereby accepts the aforesaid grant monies from the NYS Office of Children and Family Services, and authorizes the utilization of such monies for the aforesaid purposes; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized, after approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, to enter into any necessary agreements, certifications, or reimbursement requests for the acceptance of such grant monies from the NYS Office of Children and Family Services; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2024 Operating Budget be and it hereby is amended as follows:

Create/Increase Appropriation Code by:

A541165.415079 – NYS/OCFS Legislative Initiative Grant \$50,000.

Create/Increase Revenue Code by:

A31165.338979 – NYS/OCFS Legislative Initiative Grant

\$ 50,000.

9/10/2024: Reported from the Committee on Health, Housing

and Human Services (HHHS23)

Reported from the Committee on Ways and Means

9/10/2024: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 15.0000 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess,

Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt,

Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)

 Nays:
 0.0000

 Absent:
 0.0000

 Abstain:
 0.0000

 Excused:
 0.0000

RESOLUTION 164-24

Sponsored by Legislator Frisoni:

A RESOLUTION TO CREATE AND ELIMINATE CERTAIN POSITIONS AT THE SCHENECTADY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

BE IT ENACTED, by the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Executive Director of the Schenectady County Public Library by memorandum dated August 21, 2024 requests that two positions of Librarian I be created, and that a position of Librarian III and a position of Librarian IV be eliminated; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director further states that the creation of these positions will increase stability of staffing within the Schenectady County Public Library system, and will assist with fulfilling the mission of such system; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Human Resources by memorandum dated August 28, 2024 recommends the creation of two positions of Librarian I (CSEA Grade 15) at the Schenectady County Public Library, and advises that no action is necessary by the Schenectady County Civil Service Commission; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated August 30, 2024 recommends that two positions of Librarian I be created at the Schenectady County Public Library, that a position of Librarian III be eliminated, that a position of Librarian IV be eliminated, and that appropriate budgetary amendments be approved; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following positions at the Schenectady County Public Library be and they hereby are created as follows:

<u>Position</u> <u>Grade</u>

Librarian I	15
Librarian I	15

; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the aforesaid positions of Librarian III and Librarian IV at the Schenectady County Public Library be and they hereby are eliminated; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2024 Operating Budget be and it hereby is amended as follows:

Increase Expense Codes by:

L51741001607 – Librarian I (Increase by 2)	\$ 35,626.
L517410.132400 – Vacation	\$ 15,127.

Decrease Expense Codes by:

L51741001266 – Librarian III (Decrease by 1)	\$ 24,694.
L517410. 01459 – Librarian IV (Decrease by 1)	\$ 41,341.
L517410.130000 – Longevity	\$ 6.362.

Decrease Use of Fund Balance:

L.399 – Appropriated Fund Balance	
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9/10/2024: Reported from the Committee on Labor and Civil

Service (LCS21)

Reported from the Committee on Ways and Means

9/10/2024: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 15.0000 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess,

Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt,

\$ 21,644.

Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)

 Nays:
 0.0000

 Absent:
 0.0000

 Abstain:
 0.0000

 Excused:
 0.0000

RESOLUTION 165-24

Sponsored by Legislator Frisoni:

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF A PERSON TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF THE SCHENECTADY COUNTY JOB TRAINING AGENCY

BE IT ENACTED, by the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, as follows:

WHEREAS, pursuant to sections 3.01 and 21.04 of the Charter of the County of Schenectady, the County Manager is vested with the authority to appoint all department heads subject to the confirmation by the County Legislature, which includes the Director of the Schenectady County Job Training Agency; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated August 30, 2024 has appointed Sara Canfield as Director of the Schenectady County Job Training Agency, effective September 16, 2024, and subject to confirmation by this Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager has provided that the 2024 annual base salary for Sara Canfield as Director of the Schenectady County Job Training Agency is to be \$101,124.00; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Schenectady County Legislature hereby confirms the County Manager's appointment of Sara Canfield as Director of the Schenectady County Job Training Agency commencing September 16, 2024; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Schenectady County Legislature hereby sets the 2024 annual base salary for the Director of the Schenectady County Job Training Agency, Sara Canfield, at one hundred one thousand one hundred twenty-four dollars (\$101,124.00).

9/10/2024: Service (LCS	(22)	Reported from the Committee on Labor and Civil
9/10/2024:	22)	Adopted by the County Legislature
Ayes:	15.0000	(Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt, Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)
Nays:	0.0000	, , , ,
Absent:	0.0000	
Abstain:	0.0000	
Excused:	0.0000	

RESOLUTION 166-24

Sponsored by Legislator Vellano:

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF A PERSON TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF THE SCHENECTADY COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE AGENCY

BE IT ENACTED, by the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, as follows:

WHEREAS, pursuant to sections 3.01 and 21.04 of the Charter of the County of Schenectady, the County Manager is vested with the authority to appoint all department heads subject to the confirmation by the County Legislature, which includes the Director of the Veterans Service Agency; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated August 30, 2024 has appointed Cheyenne Lovell as Director of the Veterans Service Agency, effective September 16, 2024, and subject to confirmation by this Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager has provided that the 2024 base salary for Cheyenne Lovell as Director of the Veterans Service Agency is to be \$62,727.00; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Schenectady County Legislature hereby confirms the County Manager's appointment of Cheyenne Lovell as Director of the Veterans Service Agency commencing September 16, 2024; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Schenectady County Legislature hereby sets the 2024 annual base salary for the Director of the Veterans Service Agency, Cheyenne Lovell, at sixty-two thousand seven hundred twenty-seven dollars (\$62,727.00).

9/10/2024: Reported from the Committee on Military Affairs

and Veterans (MAV2)

9/10/2024: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 15.0000 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess,

Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt,

Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)

 Nays:
 0.0000

 Absent:
 0.0000

 Abstain:
 0.0000

 Excused:
 0.0000

RESOLUTION 167-24

Sponsored by Legislator Patierne:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENTS REGARDING INTERIOR IMPROVEMENTS AT THE PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY

BE IT ENACTED, by the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works by memorandum dated August 22, 2024 requests that Schenectady County's 2024 Capital Improvement Program be amended to provide additional funding of \$277,000.00 for an interior renovation project at the Public Works Facility to repair water damage that occurred prior to the recent roof replacement; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated August 30, 2024 recommends that the 2024 Capital Improvement Program be amended to provide additional funding of \$277,000.00 for the interior renovation project at the Public Works Facility; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the 2024 Capital Improvement Program be and it hereby is amended as follows:

Amend Project 5130240022 DEPW Interior Upgrades

Increase Expense Code by:

H545130.401000 – Capital Road Machinery Serv.	\$ 277,000.
(5130240022-0001-0401)	

Increase Revenue Code by:

H93333.5710 – Serial Bonds	\$ 277,000.
(5130240022-5710-0000)	

9/10/2024:		Reported from the Committee on Public Facilities, Transportation and Infrastructure (PFTI18)
9/10/2024:		Reported from the Committee on Ways and Means Adopted by the County Legislature
Ayes:	15.0000	(Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess,

Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt, Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)

 Nays:
 0.0000

 Absent:
 0.0000

 Abstain:
 0.0000

 Excused:
 0.0000

RESOLUTION 168-24

Sponsored by the Committee on Rules:

A RESOLUTION TO CREATE AND ELIMINATE CERTAIN POSITIONS AT THE SCHENECTADY COUNTY OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

BE IT ENACTED, by the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Director of the Schenectady County Office of Emergency Management by letter dated September 9, 2024 requests that a position of EMS Deputy Coordinator be abolished, and that two positions of EMS Coordinator be created; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Schenectady County Office of Emergency Management further states that the proposed changes will assist with the County's planning, preparation and preparedness for incidents; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Human Resources by memorandum dated September 9, 2024 recommends that two positions of EMS Coordinator be created in the Schenectady County Office of Emergency Management at a classification of JC-6; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Human Resources anticipates that the Schenectady County Civil Service Commission will take all necessary action regarding the aforesaid positions at its next meeting, which is scheduled for September 17, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated September 9, 2024 recommends that a position of EMS Deputy Coordinator be eliminated at the Schenectady County Office of Emergency Management, that two positions of EMS Coordinator be created in such Office, and that appropriate budgetary amendments be approved; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the following positions in the Schenectady County Office of Emergency Management be and they hereby are created as follows:

Position	Classification
EMS Coordinator EMS Coordinator	JC-6 JC-6
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; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the aforesaid position of EMS Deputy Coordinator in the Schenectady County Office of Emergency Management be and it hereby is eliminated; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2024 Operating Budget be and it hereby is amended as follows:

Increase Expense Codes By:

A51364001793	EMS Coordinator (2 Positions)	\$41,844
A589010.80019	State Retirement	\$3,153
A589030.80016	Social Security	\$1,551
A589040.80020	Workers Compensation	\$296
A589050.80017	Unemployment	\$26

Decrease Expense Code By:

A51364001793	EMO Deputy Coordinator (1 P	osition) \$46,870
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9/10/2024:	Reported from the Committee on Rules (R50)
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9/10/2024: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 15.0000 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess,

Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt,

Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)

 Nays:
 0.0000

 Absent:
 0.0000

 Abstain:
 0.0000

 Excused:
 0.0000

RESOLUTION 169-24

Sponsored by the Committee on Rules:

A RESOLUTION REGARDING AN AGREEMENT WITH RE40RM ARCHITECTURE FOR ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF AN AQUATIC CENTER IN THE CITY OF SCHENECTADY

BE IT ENACTED, by the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, as follows:

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Attorney by memorandum dated September 9, 2024 recommends that Schenectady County enter into an agreement with James T. Pollard Architect, PC d/b/a Re4orm Architecture for architectural and engineering services (includes structural, electrical and mechanical engineering) for the design and construction of an Aquatic Center in the City of Schenectady; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Attorney advises that the cost for the aforesaid services by James T. Pollard Architect, PC d/b/a Re4orm Architecture would be capped at 7.5% of the owner's budget for cost of the work (\$50,000,000.00), which is \$3,750,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated September 9, 2024 recommends that Schenectady County enter into an agreement with James T. Pollard Architect, PC d/b/a Re4orm Architecture for architectural and engineering services for the design and construction of an Aquatic Center in the City of Schenectady; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized, after approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, to negotiate and to execute an agreement with James T. Pollard Architect, PC d/b/a Re4orm Architecture for architectural and engineering services for the design and construction of an Aquatic Center in the City of Schenectady consistent with the provisions of this Resolution.

9/10/2024:	Reported from the Committee on Rules (R51)
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9/10/2024: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 15.0000 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess,

Hughes, Jasenski, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt,

Ruzzo, Samuel, Vellano)

 Nays:
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 Absent:
 0.0000

 Abstain:
 0.0000

 Excused:
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Adjournment

On the motion of Legislator Hughes, seconded by Legislator Gatta without objection, the regular meeting was adjourned.