
STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF SCHENECTADY

THE MINUTES

of a Regular Meeting of the Schenectady County Legislature held February 8, 2022 7:00 p.m. at Legislative Chambers Schenectady County Office Building, 620 State Street, Schenectady, New York

February 8, 2022

The invocation was given by the Clerk of the Legislature.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Legislator Cuomo.

Ceremonial Resolutions

There were no ceremonial resolutions presented.

LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

Chairman Jasenski 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	(Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt)
Absent:	1	(Ruzzo)
Excused:	0	
Vacant:	0	

Meeting of Committee on Rules

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

Legislator Gatta moved to report Rules Initiatives 7-22. Legislator McGill seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Legislator Hughes moved to report Rules Initiatives 8-22. Legislator McDonald seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Legislator Hughes moved to report Rules Initiatives 9-22. Legislator McDonald seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Legislator Hughes moved to report Rules Initiatives 10-22. Legislator Cuomo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner of Finance, John McPhillips, explained rules initiative 11-22.

Legislator McGarry spoke positively about rules initiative 11-22.

Chairman Jasenski spoke positively about rules initiative 11-22.

Legislator Hughes moved to report Rules Initiatives 11-22. Legislator Cuomo seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Legislator Hughes moved to report Rules Initiatives 12-22. Legislator Gatta seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

County Manager Rory Fluman introduced Timothy Ferrara. Timothy Ferrara spoke and introduced himself.

Brian McGarry spoke positively about rules initiative 13-22.

Legislator McDonald moved to report Rules Initiatives 13-22. Legislator Hughes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Privilege of the Floor

Since we were unable to have members of the public to appear in the chambers to deliver remarks during privilege of the floor, members of the public were invited to submit comments through a form on the website.

The Chair instructed the clerk to read the comments received into the record.

There were no comments submitted.

REGULAR MEETING

Chairman Jasenski 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 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrelch, Patierne, Pratt)

Absent: 1 (Ruzzo)

Excused: 0
Vacant: 0

Approval Minutes

Legislator Hughes made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 11th meeting. Legislator Fields 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 Hughes reported the Committee on Economic Development and Planning met on January 31, 2022 and reported to the agenda Resolutions 17, 18 and 19.

Legislator Ostrelich reported the Committee on Health, Housing and Human Services met on January 31, 2022 and reported to the agenda Resolution 20.

Legislator Frisoni reported the Committee on Labor and Civil Service met on January 31, 2022 and reported to the agenda Resolutions 21 and 22.

Legislator Patierne reported the Committee on Public Facilities, Transportation and Infrastructure met on January 31, 2022 and reported to the agenda Resolutions 23 and 24.

Legislator Constantine reported the Committee on Public Safety and Firefighting met on January 31, 2022 and reported to the agenda Resolutions 25 and 26.

Legislator Fields reported the Committee on Rules met earlier in the evening on February 8, 2022 and reported to the agenda Resolutions 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 27.

Legislator Fields reported the Committee on Ways and Means met on January 31, 2022 and reported to the agenda Resolutions 23.

Resolutions

Legislator Fields spoke on Resolution 11-22.

Legislator McGill spoke on Resolution 11-22.

RESOLUTION 11-22

Ayes:	13.9455	(Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrellich, Patierne, Pratt)
Nays:	0.0000	
Absent:	0.0000	
Abstain:	0.0000	
Excused:	1.0545	(Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 12-22

Sponsored by the Committee on Rules:

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE ACCEPTANCE OF MONIES FROM THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF INDIGENT LEGAL SERVICES FOR THE FUNDING OF INDIGENT LEGAL DEFENSE SERVICES

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

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated February 3, 2022 advises that Schenectady County was recently awarded additional funds to improve the quality of legal representation for indigent clients; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager further advises that Schenectady County is to receive \$463,266.00 in funding; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager further advises that the funding will be used to enhance indigent legal services in Schenectady County by partially financing existing positions in the Public Defender’s Office and the Conflict Defender’s Office, and augmenting operational costs; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Manager recommends the acceptance of \$463,266.00 in grant monies from the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services; 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 Indigent Legal 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 Indigent Legal Services.

2/8/2022: *Reported from the Committee on Rules (R8)*
2/8/2022: *Adopted by the County Legislature*

Ayes: 13.9455 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt)
Nays: 0.0000
Absent: 0.0000
Abstain: 0.0000
Excused: 1.0545 (Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 13-22

Sponsored by the Committee on Rules:

A RESOLUTION CORRECTING CLERICAL ERRORS ON THE MUNICIPAL TAX ROLL OF DUANESBURG

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

WHEREAS, Section 554 of the Real Property Tax Law provides that this County Legislature shall consider applications for correction of tax rolls when there are clerical errors, unlawful entries, or certain errors in essential facts; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature can either accept or reject the aforesaid applications; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has reviewed the hereinafter indicated application and has recommended by memorandum dated February 2, 2022 acceptance of same; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that, pursuant to the provisions of the Real Property Tax Law the application is approved and the Duaneburg tax roll is corrected, to wit:

<u>TOWN</u>	<u>OWNER S/B/L</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF TAXES BILLED</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF TAXES DUE</u>
Duanesburg	Stone Arrow, LLC	Clerical	\$3,244.96	\$719.19
				75.00-3-31
				Amount to

Cancel: \$2,525.77

; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance and/or the Director of the Real Property Tax Service Agency be and they are hereby authorized to take

appropriate action as authorized by law to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

2/8/2022: *Reported from the Committee on Rules (R9)*
2/8/2022: *Adopted by the County Legislature*

Ayes: 13.9455 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt)
Nays: 0.0000
Absent: 0.0000
Abstain: 0.0000
Excused: 1.0545 (Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 14-22

Sponsored by the Committee on Rules:

A RESOLUTION CORRECTING CLERICAL ERRORS ON THE MUNICIPAL TAX ROLL OF ROTTERDAM

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

WHEREAS, Section 554 of the Real Property Tax Law provides that this County Legislature shall consider applications for correction of tax rolls when there are clerical errors, unlawful entries, or certain errors in essential facts; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature can either accept or reject the aforesaid applications; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance has reviewed the hereinafter indicated application and has recommended by memorandum dated February 2, 2022 acceptance of same; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that, pursuant to the provisions of the Real Property Tax Law the application is approved and the Rotterdam tax roll is corrected, to wit:

<u>OWNER TOWN</u>	<u>S/B/L</u>	<u>REASON</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF TAXES BILLED</u>	<u>AMOUNT OF TAXES DUE</u>
Rotterdam	Patricia Scalzetto 59.20-6-7.1	Clerical	\$5,821.34	\$3,137.05
			Amount to Cancel: \$2,684.29	

; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance and/or the Director of the Real Property Tax Service Agency be and they are hereby authorized to take

appropriate action as authorized by law to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

2/8/2022: *Reported from the Committee on Rules (R10)*
2/8/2022: *Adopted by the County Legislature*

Ayes: 13.9455 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrellich, Patierne, Pratt)
Nays: 0.0000
Absent: 0.0000
Abstain: 0.0000
Excused: 1.0545 (Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 15 -22

Sponsored by Legislators Jasenski, McGarry, Hess and Cuomo:

A RESOLUTION CORRECTING CLERICAL ERRORS ON THE MUNICIPAL TAX ROLL OF ROTTERDAM

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

WHEREAS, Section 554 of the Real Property Tax Law provides that this County Legislature shall consider applications for correction of tax rolls when there are clerical errors, unlawful entries, or certain errors in essential facts; and

WHEREAS, Section 556-B of the Real Property Tax Law provides that certain clerical errors or unlawful entries, substantial in number and identical in nature, can be corrected pursuant to the provisions of such section; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 556-B of the Real Property Tax Law, an application, dated and received on January 25, 2022, has been filed with the County Director of Real Property Tax Servies, on behalf of all owners of property affected by a clerical error in the Town of Rotterdam; and

WHEREAS, the County Director of Real Property Tax Services has reviewed the indicated application in a timely manner, and has recommended by memorandum dated February 1, 2022 acceptance of same; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance also has reviewed the indicated application and has recommended by memorandum dated February 2, 2022 acceptance of same;

WHEREAS, this Legislature can either accept or reject the aforesaid application, and if the application is accepted this Governing Body can issue an order setting forth the corrected taxes, and directing the officer having jurisdiction of the tax

roll to correct such roll, including an order for the refund of any excess taxes paid or credit against an outstanding tax with respect to said error; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 556-B of the Real Property Tax Law, all owners of property affected by a clerical error or unlawful entry, may pay the corrected tax as determined by the tax levying body without interest, if payment is made within eight days of the date on which the corrected tax bill is mailed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that, pursuant to the provisions of the Real Property Tax Law the aforesaid application is approved and sewer district #2 of the Rotterdam tax roll is corrected, to wit:

Sewer District #2 Extension Codes	Extensions for Sewer District #2	Amount Raised per Warrant	2022 Correction	2022 Balance of Warrant Retained	2023 Hard Co Correction
DS201	Extension #1	\$ 137,862.53	\$ (133,995.65)	\$ 3,866.88	
DS201	Extension #1				\$ 1,611.86
DS202	Extension #2	\$ 6,616.36		\$ 6,616.36	\$ 4,776.67
DS202	Extension #2				\$ 501.10
DS200	No Extension				\$ 101,430.17
DS203	Extension #3				\$ 5,013.77
DS207	Extension #7				\$ 8,445.64
DS208	Extension #8				\$ 297.32
DS212	Extension #12				\$ 6,314.49
DS214	Extension #14				\$ 5,612.34
		<u>\$ 144,478.89</u>		<u>\$ 10,483.24</u>	<u>\$ 134,003.36</u>
		<u>\$ 144,478.89</u>		<u>\$ 144,486.60</u>	<u>\$ 7.71</u>

; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that, pursuant to the provisions of the Real Property Tax Law, this Governing Body authorizes and directs the Town of Rotterdam Receiver of Taxes to correct such roll and to provide a refund of any excess taxes paid or credit issued against an outstanding tax with respect to said error; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance and/or the Director of the Real Property Tax Service Agency be and they are hereby authorized to take appropriate action as authorized by law to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

2/8/2022: *Reported from the Committee on Rules (R11)*
 2/8/2022: *Adopted by the County Legislature*

Ayes: 13.9455 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess,
 Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill,
 Ostrellich, Patierne, Pratt)
 Nays: 0.0000
 Absent: 0.0000
 Abstain: 0.0000
 Excused: 1.0545 (Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 16-22

Sponsored by the Committee on Rules:

A RESOLUTION CORRECTING CLERICAL ERRORS ON THE MUNICIPAL TAX ROLL OF NISKAYUNA

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

WHEREAS, Section 554 of the Real Property Tax Law provides that this County Legislature shall consider applications for correction of tax rolls when there are clerical errors, unlawful entries, or certain errors in essential facts; and

WHEREAS, Section 556-B of the Real Property Tax Law provides that certain clerical errors or unlawful entries, substantial in number and identical in nature, can be corrected pursuant to the provisions of such section; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 556-B of the Real Property Tax Law, an application, dated and received on February 2, 2022, has been filed with the County Director of Real Property Tax Services, on behalf of seven owners of property affected by a clerical error in the Town of Niskayuna; and

WHEREAS, the County Director of Real Property Tax Services has reviewed the indicated application in a timely manner, and has recommended by memorandum dated February 3, 2022 acceptance of same; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Finance also has reviewed the indicated application and has recommended by memorandum dated February 2, 2022 acceptance of same; and

WHEREAS, the County Director of Real Property Tax Services and the Commissioner of Finance recommend that each owner of property affected by a clerical error is entitled to a tax correction and a credit or refund of \$400.27, whatever is applicable; and

WHEREAS, this Legislature can either accept or reject the aforesaid application, and if the application is accepted this Governing Body can issue an order setting forth the corrected taxes, and directing the officer having jurisdiction of the tax roll to correct such roll, including an order for the refund of any excess taxes paid or credit against an outstanding tax with respect to said error; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 556-B of the Real Property Tax Law, all owners of property affected by a clerical error or unlawful entry, may pay the corrected tax as determined by the tax levying body without interest, if payment is made within eight days of the date on which the corrected tax bill is mailed; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that, pursuant to the provisions of the Real Property Tax Law the aforesaid application is approved and the affected seven owners of property included within extension #125 of sewer district #6 in the Town of Niskayuna shall not be liable for a tax of \$400.27 for operations and maintenance costs associated with sewer district #6 for the 2022 tax year; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that, pursuant to the provisions of the Real Property Tax Law, this Governing Body authorizes and directs the Town of Niskayuna Receiver of Taxes to correct such tax roll and to provide a refund of any excess taxes paid or credit issued against an outstanding tax with respect to said error; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Commissioner of Finance and/or the Director of the Real Property Tax Service Agency be and they are hereby authorized to take appropriate action as authorized by law to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

2/8/2022: *Reported from the Committee on Rules (R12)*
2/8/2022: *Adopted by the County Legislature*

Ayes: 13.9455 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrellich, Patierne, Pratt)
Nays: 0.0000
Absent: 0.0000
Abstain: 0.0000
Excused: 1.0545 (Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 17-22

Sponsored by Legislator Hughes:

A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR A PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE SCHENECTADY COUNTY

**AGRICULTURAL AND FARMLAND PROTECTION BOARD
REGARDING AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT 1**

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

WHEREAS, section 303-b of the Agriculture and Markets Law of the State of New York requires the legislative body of any county containing a certified agricultural district to designate an annual thirty-day period whereby a land owner can request that certain lands be included within such certified agricultural district; and

WHEREAS, in compliance with such requirement, the Legislature has designated December 1st to December 31st of each year as the period whereby a land owner can submit requests to this Legislature that certain lands be included within the Schenectady County Agricultural District; and

WHEREAS, during such period the County received two applications for certain parcels to be included within the Schenectady County Agricultural District; and

WHEREAS, the parcels requested to be included within the Schenectady County Agricultural District are as follows:

<u><i>Town</i></u>		<u><i>S/B/L</i></u>	<u><i>Owner</i></u>
Glenville	7.-2-32.121	Ann Anderson and Anthony Dean	
Glenville	7.-2-38.21	Donald Rodbell and Ceceilia Oballe	

; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board met to review such applications, and finds that the aforementioned parcels consist predominantly of “viable agricultural lands” and timber harvesting forests, and the inclusion of such lands would serve the public interest by assisting in maintaining a viable agricultural industry within the district; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and Planning by memorandum dated January 14, 2022 recommends that the County Legislature conduct a public hearing to consider the recommendations of the Schenectady County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated January 28, 2022 recommends that the County Legislature conduct a public hearing to consider the recommendations of the Schenectady County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to section 303-b of the Agriculture and Markets Law, this Governing Body hereby declares that it will conduct a public hearing to be

held before the Legislature of the County of Schenectady, in the Legislative Chambers in the County Office Building, 620 State Street, Schenectady, New York on the 28th day of February, 2022 at 7:00 pm for the purpose of hearing all interested persons on the recommendation of the Schenectady County Agricultural and Farmland Protection Board; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the Schenectady County Legislature is hereby authorized to publish a notice of such public hearing, as outlined in section 303-b of the Agriculture and Markets Law, in a newspaper having a general circulation within Schenectady County, and to send a written notice of such public hearing to appropriate officials of the municipalities in the County for posting within the respective municipality.

1/31/2022: Reported from the Committee on Economic Development and Planning (EDPI)
2/8/2022: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 13.9455 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrellich, Patierne, Pratt)
Nays: 0.0000
Absent: 0.0000
Abstain: 0.0000
Excused: 1.0545 (Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 18-22

Sponsored by Legislator Hughes:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH LEGERE CENTER, LLC.

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

WHEREAS, the Chair of the Schenectady Metroplex Development Authority by memorandum dated January 20, 2022 advises that Legere Center, LLC, the owner of the Schenectady Armory (which is located at 125 Washington Avenue in the City of Schenectady), has requested the use of County-owned parcels; and

WHEREAS, the Chair of the Schenectady Metroplex Development Authority further advises that a film production company intends to use the requested parcels as space for parking during the filming of a television show at the Armory; and

WHEREAS, the following significant license provisions have been agreed to, subject to Legislative approval, to wit:

1. Term of License: One hundred and twenty days (with limited option to extend another one hundred and twenty days for licensee);
2. Rent: \$10.00 per month;
3. Premises: 222 S. Ferry Street (S/B/L: 39.71-1-14.11) and 122 S. Church Street (S/B/L: 39.71-1-45.1)
4. Legere Center, LLC must have commercial general liability during the term of the license, and must list the County as an additional insured on its insurance policy; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated January 28, 2022 recommends that the County enter into a License Agreement with Legere Center, LLC for the use of the aforesaid parcel; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized to negotiate and execute, after approval of the County Attorney as to form and content, a License Agreement with Legere Center, LLC consistent with the provisions of this Resolution.

1/31/2022: Reported from the Committee on Economic Development and Planning (EDP2)

2/8/2022: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 13.9455 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrellich, Patierne, Pratt)

Nays: 0.0000

Absent: 0.0000

Abstain: 0.0000

Excused: 1.0545 (Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 19-22

Sponsored by Legislator Hughes:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NYS OFFICE OF PARKS, RECREATION AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF A PORTION OF THE EMPIRE STATE TRAIL

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

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and Planning by memorandum dated January 14, 2022 recommends that Schenectady County enter into an agreement with the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to use and maintain a portion of the Empire State Trail (from Route 5S in the Town of Rotterdam to the Montgomery County Line – approx. 0.5 miles) for a term beginning November 1, 2021 and ending October 31, 2041; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and Planning advises that the Empire State Trail is a 750 mile continuous multi-use trail for pedestrians and bicyclists that will extend from New York City to Canada and from Buffalo to Albany; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and Planning advises that \$8 million was funded by New York State to construct certain portions of the Empire State Trail in the Town of Rotterdam; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of the Department of Economic Development and Planning recommends that Schenectady County enter into a cooperative land management agreement with the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation for the use and maintenance of the aforesaid portion of the Empire State Trail in the County of Schenectady; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated January 28, 2022 recommends that the County enter into an agreement with the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation for maintenance of the aforesaid portion of the Empire State Trail in the County 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 a cooperative land management agreement with the NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation consistent with the provisions of this resolution.

1/31/2022: Reported from the Committee on Economic Development and Planning (EDP3)

2/8/2022: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 13.9455 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrelch, Patierne, Pratt)

Nays: 0.0000

Absent: 0.0000

Abstain: 0.0000

Excused: 1.0545 (Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 20-22

Sponsored by Legislator Ostrelich:

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT MONIES FROM THE NYS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FROM THE LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT PERFORMANCE INCENTIVE PROGRAM

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

WHEREAS, the Interim Public Health Director by memorandum January 12, 2022 advises that Schenectady County was recently awarded a grant from the NYS Department of Health that will be used to support the sexual health of patients, and their partners, through prevention, treatment, and management of sexually transmitted infections; and

WHEREAS, the Interim Public Health Director further advises that Schenectady County is projected to receive \$8,000.00 in funding; and

WHEREAS, the GPHW Manager and the Performance Incentive Coordinator of the NYS Department of Health by letter dated December 24, 2021 advises that Schenectady County has been awarded funding (\$8,000.00) from the Local Health Department Performance Incentive Program; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Manager by memorandum dated January 28, 2022 recommends the acceptance of the grant from the New York State Department of Health; 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 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 Department of Health.

1/31/2022: Reported from the Committee on Health, Housing and Human Services (HHHS1)

2/8/2022: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 13.9455 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt)

Nays: 0.0000
 Absent: 0.0000
 Abstain: 0.0000
 Excused: 1.0545 (Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 21-22

Sponsored by Legislator Frisoni:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT A COVID-19 “BOOSTER” INCENTIVE FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES

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

WHEREAS, the County Attorney by memorandum dated January 24, 2022 recommends that the County Manager be authorized to enter into agreements with all unions to provide a \$250 cash incentive to employees in each respective union who receive a COVID-19 booster shot before July 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney further recommends that the County Manager be authorized to pay a \$250 cash incentive to employees who are not in a bargaining unit, and who receive a COVID-19 booster shot before July 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated January 28, 2022 recommends the authorization of payment of a \$250 cash incentive to union and non-union employees who receive a COVID-19 booster shot before July 1, 2022; and

WHEREAS, this Governing Body finds that the County Manager needs authority to take appropriate action as mentioned above; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager shall have the authority to enter into agreements with all unions to provide a \$250 cash incentive to employees in each respective union who receive a COVID-19 booster shot before July 1, 2022, and to pay a \$250 cash incentive to employees who are not in a bargaining unit, and who receive a COVID-19 booster shot before July 1, 2022.

1/31/2022: Reported from the Committee on Labor and Civil Service (LCS1)

2/8/2022: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 11.2119 (Constantine, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt)
 Nays: 2.7336 (Cuomo, Hess, McGarry)

Absent:	0.0000	
Abstain:	0.0000	
Excused:	1.0545	(Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 22 -22

Sponsored by Legislator Frisoni:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A MULTI-YEAR AGREEMENT WITH SUNY SCHENECTADY COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND THE UNION OF FACULTY AND PROFESSIONALS OF SUNY SCHENECTADY FOR THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 THROUGH AUGUST 31, 2026

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

WHEREAS, a contract previously entered into between the County, the Schenectady County Community College, and the Union of Faculty and Professionals of Schenectady County Community College has expired on August 31, 2020; and

WHEREAS, after extensive negotiations between representatives of the County and said union, agreement has been reached upon the terms of a new six-year contract commencing September 1, 2020, and continuing until August 31, 2026, relating to terms and conditions of employment to be incorporated in a subsequent formal written contract to be executed by the parties to include the terms outlined in the agreement between the County, the Schenectady County Community College, and the said union, which said terms in such agreement have been explained to the members of the County Legislature, and such terms have been provided in writing to the members of the County Legislature, and which contains the following major changes:

- Compensation (increases) – \$1,250.00 per year increase in base salary for years 2021 to 2023; and 2.25% per year increase in base salary for years 2024 to 2026;
- Introduction of a not-on base annual longevity payment for members who achieved five or more years of service;
- A one-time bonus for non-teaching professionals who have a doctoral degree or obtain one while in service to the college;
- Clarifies teaching of on-line courses;

; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated January 28, 2022 recommends that Schenectady County enter into a multi-year collective bargaining agreement with the Union of Faculty and Professionals, SUNY Schenectady; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County Manager be and he hereby is authorized to enter into a six-year contract on behalf of the County of Schenectady with the Schenectady County Community College, and the Union of Faculty and Professionals of Schenectady County Community College, subject to the approval of the County Attorney, in accordance with the terms and conditions of employment spelled out in the Memorandum of Agreement dated December 13, 2021 between Schenectady County Community College and the aforesaid union for the years commencing September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2026 for all employees in the unit represented by the aforesaid union.

1/31/2022: Reported from the Committee on Labor and Civil Service (LCS2)

2/8/2022: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 13.9455 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrelich, Patierne, Pratt)

Nays: 0.0000

Absent: 0.0000

Abstain: 0.0000

Excused: 1.0545 (Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 23-22

Sponsored by Legislator Patierne:

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2022 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A “FLEXPOD” HANGAR AT THE SCHENECTADY COUNTY AIRPORT

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

WHEREAS, the Director of Public Works recommends by memorandum dated January 28, 2022 that the 2022 Capital Improvement Program be amended to provide additional funding for the construction of a 4-pod flexpod hangar at the Schenectady County Airport; and

WHEREAS, the President of SUNY Schenectady County Community College by memorandum dated January 26, 2022 requests that the College have a dedicated presence at the Airport for its Aviation Programs, and advises that the College is

requesting \$400,000.00 from SUNY/New York State for construction of the 4-pod flexpod hangar; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager recommends by memorandum dated January 28, 2022 that the 2022 Capital Improvement Program be amended to provide additional funding for the construction of a 4-pod flexpod hangar at the Schenectady County Airport, and that appropriate budgetary amendments be approved; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the 2022 Capital Improvement Program be and it hereby is amended as follows:

Capital Budget

For Capital Project H5610-2019/47

Increase Appropriation Code by:

H5610-2019/47 – 4 Unit Flex Pod \$743,295.

Increase Revenue Codes by:

H3270 – Dormitory Authority of New York State \$400,000.
H5710 – Obligation Serial Bonds \$343,295.

1/31/2022: Reported from the Committee on Public Facilities, Transportation and Infrastructure (PFTI3)

2/8/2022: Reported from the Committee on Ways and Means Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 13.9455 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrellich, Patierne, Pratt)

Nays: 0.0000

Absent: 0.0000

Abstain: 0.0000

Excused: 1.0545 (Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 24-22

Sponsored by Legislator Constantine:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY OF SCHENECTADY TO ENTER INTO A MULTI-YEAR MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH SUNY SCHENECTADY COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND THE SCHENECTADY COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE REGARDING SECURITY SERVICES

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

WHEREAS, the County Attorney recommends by memorandum dated January 25, 2022 that Schenectady County enter into a multi-year memorandum of understanding with SUNY Schenectady County Community College and the Schenectady Sheriff’s Office to provide for a Deputy Sheriff to be assigned to such College for safety and security services; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney advises that a Deputy Sheriff would be provided to SUNY Schenectady for forty hours per week for the period January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney further advises that SUNY Schenectady would pay \$95,395.00 per year for the County to provide the services of a Deputy Sheriff; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated January 28, 2022 recommends that the County enter into a memorandum of understanding with SUNY Schenectady County Community College and the Schenectady County Sheriff’s Office for the providing of a Deputy Sheriff by the Schenectady County Sheriff’s Office; 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 memorandum of understanding with the Schenectady County Sheriff’s Office and SUNY Schenectady County Community College consistent with the provisions of this Resolution.

1/31/2022: Reported from the Committee on Public Safety and Firefighting (PSF1)

2/8/2022: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 13.9455 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrellich, Patierne, Pratt)

Nays: 0.0000

Absent: 0.0000

Abstain: 0.0000

Excused: 1.0545 (Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 25-22

Sponsored by Legislator Constantine:

A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT MONIES FROM THE NYS GOVERNOR’S TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE FOR PEDESTRIAN SAFETY INITIATIVES

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

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Sheriff by memorandum dated January 25, 2022 advises that Schenectady County was recently awarded a grant from the NYS Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee to provide pedestrian safety education and enforcement initiatives at various high-risk intersections, including the intersections along the NYS Route 5 corridor; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Sheriff further advises that Schenectady County is projected to receive \$16,500.00 in funding; and

WHEREAS, the Schenectady County Manager by memorandum dated January 28, 2022 recommends the acceptance of monies from the New York State Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee; 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 Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee, 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 Governor’s Traffic Safety Committee.

1/31/2022: Reported from the Committee on Public Safety and Firefighting (PSF2)

2/8/2022: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 13.9455 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrellich, Patierne, Pratt)

Nays: 0.0000

Absent: 0.0000

Abstain: 0.0000

Excused: 1.0545 (Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 26-22

Sponsored by Legislator Constantine:

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CENTRAL ARRAIGNMENT PART IN THE SCHENECTADY COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

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

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated January 28, 2022 advises that Schenectady County has created a Central Arraignment Part at the County Correctional Facility; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager further advises that the creation of this Part should assure consistency in legal representation, and promote efficiencies among the town, city and village courts, as well as with the local justices and judges; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager recommends that Schenectady County enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the appropriate local and state entities for the operation and funding of the Central Arraignment Part; 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 interdepartmental agreement with the appropriate local and state entities for the operation and funding of the Central Arraignment Part located at the Schenectady County Correctional Facility.

1/31/2022: Reported from the Committee on Public Safety and Firefighting (PSF3)

2/8/2022: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 13.9455 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrelch, Patierne, Pratt)

Nays: 0.0000

Absent: 0.0000

Abstain: 0.0000

Excused: 1.0545 (Ruzzo)

RESOLUTION 27-22

Sponsored by the Committee on Rules:

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF TIMOTHY FERRARA TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF PROBATION

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 3.01 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 Probation; and

WHEREAS, section 256 of the NYS Executive Law provides that this Governing Body shall have the authority to establish a Probation Department and to appoint a Director of Probation; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager by memorandum dated February 4, 2022 has appointed Timothy Ferrara as Director of Probation, subject to confirmation by this Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager advises that the 2022 base salary for Director of Probation is \$99,617.00; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Schenectady County Legislature hereby confirms the County Manager's appointment of Timothy Ferrara as the Director of Probation, commencing February 28, 2022; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Schenectady County Legislature hereby sets the 2022 base salary for the Director of Probation, Timothy Ferrara, at ninety-nine thousand six hundred seventeen dollars (\$99,617.00), commencing February 28, 2022.

2/8/2022: Reported from the Committee on Rules (R13)

2/8/2022: Adopted by the County Legislature

Ayes: 13.9455 (Constantine, Cuomo, Fields, Frisoni, Gatta, Hess, Hughes, Jasenski, McDonald, McGarry, McGill, Ostrellich, Patierne, Pratt)

Nays: 0.0000

Absent: 0.0000

Abstain: 0.0000

Excused: 1.0545 (Ruzzo)

Adjournment

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