MINUTES
Herkimer County Legislature
Second Quarter – Fifth Day
Wednesday, May 14, 2025
7:00 p.m.

Public Hearing

The Public Hearing regarding the submission of an application to the CDBG Business Expansion and Startup Program was called to order by Greg Malta, Sr., Chairman of the Committee on County Planning and Development, at 6:26 p.m. Legislator Malta asked the Clerk of the Legislature to call the roll of Legislators. The Clerk called the roll, the following answered: Malta, Gaworecki, Schrader, Brewer, Keeler, Bick, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl, Wares, Weakley (14). Quorum present. Legislator Malta asked the Clerk to read the Notice of Public Hearing. The Clerk read the Notice. Legislator Malta asked that any person wishing to speak to state their name and address and limit comment to five minutes. There were no requests to speak and the hearing was declared closed at 6:29 p.m.

Brittney R. Viscomi, Clerk
Herkimer County Legislature

LEGAL NOTICE

HERKIMER COUNTY
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Herkimer County Community Development Block Grant Application

Herkimer County will hold a public hearing on May 14, 2025 at 6:25 p.m., in the Legislature Chambers, 109 Mary Street, Herkimer, NY, for the purpose of hearing public comments on the County's community development needs, and to discuss the possible submission of one or more Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) applications for the 2024 CDBG funding program year.

The CDBG program is administered by the New York State Office of Community Renewal (OCR), and will make available to eligible local governments approximately $15 million for the 2024 program year for housing, economic development, public facilities, public infrastructure, and planning activities, with the principal purpose of benefitting low-to moderate-income persons. Herkimer County, upon approval of the County Legislature, intends to submit an application for up to $225,000 in funding under the CDBG BUSINESS EXPANSION AND STARTUP (BEST) program to assist Turbo Machined Products LLC. The hearing will provide further information about the CDBG program and will allow for citizen participation in the development of any proposed grant applications and/or to provide technical assistance to develop alternate proposals. Comments on the CDBG program or proposed project(s) will be received at this time. The hearing is being conducted pursuant to Section 570.486, Subpart I of the CFR and in compliance with the requirements of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

The Legislature Chambers is accessible to persons with disabilities. If special accommodations

are needed for persons with disabilities, those with hearing impairments, or those in need of translation from English, those individuals should contact Brittney Viscomi, Clerk of the Legislature, at 315-867-1108, at least one week in advance of the hearing date to allow for necessary arrangements. Written comments may also be submitted until May 14, 2025, to:

Brittney R. Viscomi, Clerk
Herkimer County Legislature
109 Mary Street, Suite 1310
Herkimer, NY 13350.

Dated: May 5, 2025.

The Regular Session of the Herkimer County Legislature was called to order by Chairman Peter J. Campione at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Campione called on Legislator William E. Keeler, Sr. to lead the Legislature in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Campione called for a moment of silence in recognition of all veterans, past and present.

Roll Call: Quorum present, the following answering the roll:

Present: Malta, Gaworecki, Schrader, Brewer, Keeler, Bick, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl, Wares, Weakley (14).

Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

Pursuant to Rule 8 of the Rules of the County Legislature, Chairman Campione asked if there were any objections or corrections to the minutes of April 23, 2025, May 2, 2025, and May 5, 2025. There were none, and the Chairman ordered them approved.

Pursuant to Rule 11, Chairman Campione opened the floor for public comment. There were no appearances.

Chairman Campione stated that the communications received by the Legislature and the Committees to which they were referred were as listed on the agenda, and asked if any member of the Legislature requested mention of any particular communication. Mr. Schrader requested Communication No. 194 be read.

No. 190 – A communication was received from the IDA submitting Notice of Public Hearing Resolution. Filed.

No. 191 – A communication was received from the IDA submitting Notice of Public Hearing. Filed.

No. 192 – A communication was received from NYSAC submitting thanks for proclamation recognizing centennial anniversary. Filed.

No. 193 – A communication was received from Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste submitting 2024 Annual Report. Filed.

No. 194 – A communication was received from the County Attorney submitting Notice of Claim. Filed.

No. 195 – A communication was received from the Director of Public Health requesting Chairman to sign contracts. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources.

No. 196 – A communication was received from the Sewer District requesting mileage for Hard Hat Expo. Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

No. 197 – A communication was received from the County Clerk submitting Semi-Annual Mortgage Tax Report. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 198 – A communication was received from the County Treasurer submitting Apportionment of Mortgage Tax. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 199 – A communication was received from the Personnel Officer requesting to amend Salary Schedule No. V. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 200 – A communication was received from the Highway Superintendent requesting approval of 2025 capital construction project. Referred to the Committee on Highways.

No. 201 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting budget amendment in DSS. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 202 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting transfer of funds. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 203 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting budget amendment in the Highway Department. Referred to the Committee on Highways and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 204 – A communication was received from the Sheriff submitting 2024 Annual Report. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Managemen.

No. 205 – A communication was received from the Sewer District submitting Resolution for board member appointment. Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

No. 206 – A communication was received from the County Treasurer requesting to amend Resolution No. 9 of 2025. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 207 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting authorization to purchase modules for the financial system. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 208 – A communication was received from the Director of Emergency Services requesting approval for radio system upgrades. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 209 – A communication was received from the Personnel Officer requesting to amend Salary Schedule No. IV in the Highway Department. Referred to the Committee on Highways and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 210 – A communication was received from the Chairman submitting letter of resignation as Chairman of the Legislature. Filed.

No. 211 – A communication was received from Bond, Schoeneck & King PLLC submitting information of application for the Inghams to Rotterdam Transmission Rebuild Project. Filed.

No. 212 – A communication was received from the County Attorney requesting discussion of proposed donation of property. Referred to the Committee on County Properties.

No. 213 – A communication was received from the Personnel Officer requesting to amend Salary Schedule No. II and Hourly Schedule. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 214 – A communication was received from the Highway Superintendent requesting discussion on request from NYS DOT for donation of former highway ROW in the Town of Webb. Referred to the Committee on Highways.

No. 215 – A communication was received from the Republican Legislators naming Majority Leader. Filed.

No. 216 – A communication was received from the IDA submitting proposed deviation from Uniform Tax Exempt Policy related to the proposed Turin Hoefler Avenue, LLC Project. Filed.

No. 217 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent awarding bids for softball and baseball field projects at HCCC. Referred to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Ways & Means.

Pursuant to Rule 6, Chairman Campione then proceeded with Reports of Standing Committees. Legislator Gaworecki, Chairman of the County Properties Committee gave an update on the current projects.

The Chairman continued with the Regular Agenda.

On motion of Mr. Bick, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Report and Resolution No. 157 sponsored by the Committee on Natural Resources designating member to Herkimer County Sewer Board was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14). Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 157

REPORT AND RESOLUTION DESIGNATING MEMBER TO HERKIMER COUNTY SEWER BOARD

Sponsored by: Committee on Natural Resources

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the County of Herkimer, by Resolution No. 100 for the year 1986, determined that the administrative body of the Herkimer County Sewer District should thereafter be a five member board, and appointed the chief executives, or their designees, of the Villages of Ilion, Frankfort and Mohawk, and the Towns of Frankfort and German Flatts, as members of said Board for terms of five years; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 81 of 2024, Joseph Annese was last appointed as a member of the Herkimer County Sewer Board for a term to expire February 28, 2029; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated April 17, 2025, from the Herkimer County Sewer Board, this Legislature is advised that the Town of Frankfort has named John Wallace, Town Supervisor, to replace Joseph Annese, on the Herkimer County Sewer Board for a term to expire February 28, 2029; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that John Wallace of Frankfort, New York, is hereby appointed as a member of the Herkimer County Sewer Board as designee of the Town of Frankfort, for a term to expire February 28, 2029; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Personnel Officer, Herkimer County Sewer District and John Wallace.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Schrader, Resolution No. 158 sponsored by the Committee on County Planning & Development making appointment to the Herkimer County Industrial Development Agency was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14). Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 158

RESOLUTION MAKING APPOINTMENT TO THE HERKIMER COUNTY

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Sponsored by: Committee on County Planning & Development

WHEREAS, this Legislature by Resolution No. 124 of 1970 established an Industrial Development Agency for the County of Herkimer, and by Resolution No. 104 for 1982, amended said resolution to increase membership of the Herkimer County Industrial Development Agency to seven members; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to make an appointment to fill a vacancy on said Industrial Development Agency; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this Legislature hereby appoints Robert Davenport, Herkimer, New York, to the Herkimer County Industrial Development Agency; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that said appointee shall serve on said Agency until a successor is appointed and qualified; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Industrial Development Agency, the Secretary of State of the State of New York, and Robert Davenport.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Brewer, Report and Resolution No. 159 sponsored by the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management approving Annual Report of the Sheriff was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14). Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 159

REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPROVING ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SHERIFF

Sponsored by: Committee on Public Safety and Emergency Management

WHEREAS, your Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management, to which was referred the communication from the Herkimer County Sheriff submitting the 2024 Annual Report of the Sheriff's Office, respectfully reports that we have examined said report, recommend that it be adopted and offer the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Annual Report of the Sheriff's Office is hereby adopted and that a copy thereof be placed on file with the Herkimer County Legislature for the year 2024.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Report and Resolution No. 160 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing transfer of funds in the 2025 Budget was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14). Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 160

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TRANSFER OF FUNDS IN THE 2025 BUDGET

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways & Means

WHEREAS, your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred a communication from Sheri A. Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, dated April 15, 2025, submitting a request for a transfer of funds to cover expenses for the I LOVE NY Program, reports that we have examined said communication, inquired into the subject matter thereof, and recommend that said transfer be made and offer the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Treasurer be, and she hereby is, authorized and directed to transfer the following sum from and to the following accounts:

Transfer:
$20,000 From: A1990.46000, Contingent Fund, Miscellaneous Expense
To: A6410.44000, County Promotion, Contracted Services

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, and Budget Officer.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Donley, Report and Resolution No. 161 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means amending budget in the Department of Social Services was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14). Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 161

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING BUDGET IN THE DEPARTMENT OF

SOCIAL SERVICES

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated April 15, 2025 from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, this Legislature is advised that it is necessary to amend the 2025 Budget based on the review of actuals from 2024; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the 2025 Herkimer County Budget is hereby amended as follows:

A6101.3601, Medical Assistance, State Aid	From:	$-140,000
	To:	$51,756
A6101.4601, Medical Assistance, Federal Aid	From:	$-140,000
	To:	$51,756
A6101.40000, Medical Assistance, Contractual	From:	$60,000
	To:	$443,512

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, and Commissioner of Social Services.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Swartz, Report and Resolution No. 162 sponsored by the Committee on Highways approving project under Article 6, Section 116 of the Highway Law was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14). Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 162

REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPROVING PROJECT UNDER ARTICLE 6, SECTION 116 OF THE HIGHWAY LAW

Sponsored by: Committee on Highways

WHEREAS, your Committee on Highways, to which was referred letters from Mark Nagele, County Superintendent of Highways, dated April 15, 2025, submitting three copies each of statement under Article 6 of the Highway Law designating work to be done with CHIPS monies during the year 2025, covering one project involved in the Capital Construction Program, respectfully reports that we have examined said statements contained in said communication from and signed by the County Superintendent of Highways, recommend its adoption, and offer the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the statements under Article 6 of the Highway Law which designates work to be done with CHIPS monies be, and hereby are, approved by the County Legislature of the County of Herkimer for the following project involved in the Capital Construction Program, to be funded as listed with the County cost to be $2,300,000.00 and the Village of Newport cost to be $500,000.00:

PROJECT NO.	ROAD/LOCATION	TYPE OF PROJECT	ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST
446	Bridge Street CR 200 & Old State Rd. CR 200 Town of Newport	Construction, Construction Support & Construction Inspection	(V) $500,000.00 (C) $2,300,000.00

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this project will be funded through CHIPS monies; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the County Treasurer, County Auditor, Budget Officer, and County Highway Superintendent.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Brewer, Report and Resolution No. 163 sponsored by the Committee on Highways and the Committee on Ways & Means approving purchases for large equipment in Highway Department and amending budget was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14). Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 163

REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASES FOR LARGE EQUIPMENT IN HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT AND AMENDING BUDGET

Sponsored by: Committee on Highways
Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated April 22, 2025, Mark Nagele, County Highway Superintendent, has requested approval for purchase of large equipment for the Highway Department, with CHIPS funds being used to pay for the below purchases:

PROPOSED EQUIPMENT	ESTIMATED COST

A. One (1) new 2025 Huber Maintainer Model M-850-E **Huber Maintainer Mfg. LLC, 3132 Louis Avenue, Eau Claire, WI 54703** **Sole Source Provider**	$143,286.66
B. One (1) new 2025 RPM Model 220 loader mounted snow blower **per Sourcewell Contract #062222-AGI** **Tracey Road Equipment, 6803 Manlius Center Rd., East Syracuse, NY 13057**	$215,200.00
C. One (1) new 2025 Caterpillar 938 Wheel Loader **per NYS OGS Contract #PC69406** **Milton Cat 7903 Eastman Road, N. Syracuse, NY 13212**	$253,599.00
Total	**$612,085.66**

and

WHEREAS, by letter dated April 22, 2025 from Sheri A. Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, this Legislature is advised that it is necessary to amend the Herkimer County Budget for 2025; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Legislature hereby approves the purchase of items listed above from the companies listed (Items A-C); and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the 2025 Budget be amended as follows:

Amend:

H5031, Interfund Transfers, Proj.: 80-5	From:	$101,328.54
	To:	$713,414.20
H5197.25000, Hwy. Equip. & Cap Outlay, Other Equip., Proj.: 80-5	From:	$101,328.54
	To:	$713,414.20

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Highway Superintendent, and the above listed companies.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Haehl, seconded by Mr. Swartz, Report and Resolution No. 164 sponsored by the Committee on Highways authorizing donation of County highway right-of-ways to the State of New York was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14). Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 164

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DONATION OF COUNTY HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAYS TO THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Sponsored by: Committee on Highways

WHEREAS, the County of Herkimer desires to donate county highway right of ways identified as Parcel Number 179 on Map 112 and Parcel Number 181 on Map 115-D located in the Town of Webb to the State of New York; and

WHEREAS, the County of Herkimer has executed a statement of donation in order to transfer ownership of certain real property to the State of New York, to wit, 2.905 ± acres on Map 112 and 4.107 ± acres on Map 115-D; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated April 28, 2025, Mark Nagele, County Highway Superintendent, has advised that the parcels to be donated hold no purpose for the County Highway System and it is suggested that these requested parcels be donated to the People of the State of New York for purposes of dump locations while performing work within the Adirondack Park located on Old Forge-McKeever State Highway No. 462, now known as NYS Rt 28; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County of Herkimer authorizes a donation of real property to the People of the State of New York, said premises being approximately 2.905 ± acres identified as Parcel Number 179 on Map 112 and 4.107 ± acres identified as Parcel Number 181 on Map 115-D; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the County Legislature is authorized to execute any documents necessary for the transfer of said property from Herkimer County to the State of New York in order to effectuate said transfer and record the conveyance in the Office of the Herkimer County Clerk; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, County Attorney, and County Highway Superintendent.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Bick, Report and Resolution No. 165 sponsored by the Committee on Highways and the Committee on Ways & Means amending Salary Schedule No. IV in the Highway Department was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Schrader, Brewer, Keeler, Bick, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl, Wares, Weakley (14).

Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 165

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING SALARY SCHEDULE NO. IV IN THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Sponsored by: Committee on Highways
Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated April 9, 2025, Mark A. Nagele, County Highway Superintendent, has requested to amend Salary Schedule No. IV to create one position of Engineering Technician and delete one position of Associate Civil Engineer; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated May 1, 2025 from Steven R. Billings, Personnel Officer, your Committees have been advised that Salary Schedule No. IV should be amended to create one position of Engineering Technician at a 2025 base rate of $60,000, and delete one position of Associate Civil Engineer in the Highway Department; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Salary Schedule No. IV be amended to create one position of Engineering Technician, at a 2025 base rate of $60,000, and delete one position of Associate Civil Engineer in the Highway Department; and, be it further

RESOLVED, this change will be effective May 19, 2025; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Personnel Officer, and County Highway Superintendent.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Weakley, Report and Resolution No. 166 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means apportioning mortgage tax was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14). Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 166

REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPORTIONING MORTGAGE TAX

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred the report of the Recording Officer and County Treasurer showing the amounts received from the mortgage taxes, respectfully reports that we have examined the report containing the list of mortgages as kept by the Herkimer County Clerk, and herewith submit the following report showing the apportionment to the several towns, villages and the City in the County. Your Committee recommends that the Herkimer County Treasurer be authorized to draw warrants payable to the Supervisors of the several towns and to the City of Little Falls, and to the Treasurers of the incorporated villages in an amount apportioned as indicated on the tabulated statement

recommended by the Committee herewith, and your Committee offers the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Treasurer be, and she hereby is, authorized and directed to draw warrants payable to the Supervisors of the several towns in Herkimer County and to the Treasurer of the City of Little Falls and the Treasurers of the incorporated villages in the County of Herkimer entitled to a portion thereof, in the amounts of mortgage taxes apportioned respectively, and that a certified copy of the Resolution be served by the Clerk of this Legislature on the Herkimer County Treasurer.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

APPORTIONMENT OF MORTGAGE TAX
October 1, 2024 – March 31, 2025

TOWNS	TOTAL TAX RECEIVED	TOWN SHARE	INCLUDING VILLAGES	VILLAGES SHARES
COLUMBIA	$ 5,794.25	5,794.25		
DANUBE	3,830.66	3,830.66		
FAIRFIELD	15,989.54	14,810.01	MIDDLEVILLE	$ 1,179.53
FRANKFORT	35,871.04	32,055.70	FRANKFORT	3,749.76
			ILION	65.58
GERMAN FLATTS	51,773.49	33,045.58	ILION	14,001.32
			MOHAWK	4,726.59
HERKIMER	41,918.49	28,806.97	HERKIMER	13,111.52
LITCHFIELD	10,964.35	10,964.35		
C/O LITTLE FALLS	16,268.63	16,268.63		
T/O LITTLE FALLS	5,081.66	5,081.66		
MANHEIM	11,057.63	9,215.79	DOLGEVILLE	1,841.84
NEWPORT	12,544.01	10,834.88	MIDDLEVILLE	253.65
			NEWPORT	1,255.48
			POLAND	200.00
NORWAY	5,332.05	5,332.05		
OHIO	8,164.45	8,164.45		
RUSSIA	11,798.41	11,017.94	COLD BROOK	279.62
			POLAND	500.85
SALISBURY	11,146.85	11,146.85		
SCHUYLER	17,546.17	17,546.17		
STARK	5,591.19	5,591.19		
WARREN	7,902.55	7,902.55		
WEBB	71,180.66	71,180.66		
WINFIELD	6,122.98	5,365.68	WEST WINFIELD	757.30
TOTAL	**$ 355,879.06**	**$313,956.02**		**$41,923.04**

Herkimer County Treasurer $619.09

On motion of Mr. Ackerman, seconded by Mr. Schrader, Report and Resolution No. 167 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means extending temporary position in Herkimer County Treasurer's Office was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Schrader, Brewer, Keeler, Bick, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl, Wares, Weakley (14).

Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 167

REPORT AND RESOLUTION EXTENDING TEMPORARY POSITION IN HERKIMER COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 9 of 2025 created a temporary position in the County Treasurer's Office to allow for training through May 15, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 119 of 2025 increased the maximum number of hours from ten (10) to fifteen (15) hours per week for the temporary position of Accountant; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated April 7, 2025 from Kimberlee Enea, County Treasurer, she has requested to extend the temporary position through June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, your Committee has taken this matter under advisement and recommend said change; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the temporary position of Accountant in the Treasurer's Office, is extended through June 30, 2025 at a $50 per hour rate, to work a maximum of fifteen (15) hours per week; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, and Personnel Officer.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Lucenti, Report and Resolution No. 168 sponsored by the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means approving the utilization of grant funding to upgrade the County Radio System was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14). Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 168

REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPROVING THE UTILIZATION OF GRANT FUNDING TO UPGRADE THE COUNTY RADIO SYSTEM

Sponsored by: Committee on Public Safety/Emergency Management
Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated April 25, 2025, from Albert J. Moxham, Jr., Director of Emergency Services, this Legislature is advised of a request to purchase equipment necessary to complete several key upgrades to the radio communications system, by utilizing State Interoperable Communications Grant (SICG FY2021-2022) funding; and

WHEREAS, letter further advises the upgrade includes upgrading the TAC channel to be repeatable, purchasing equipment to complete the Inlet Tower site, and upgrading the fire ground channel to include receiving capability; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Director of Emergency Services that this purchase would be made through JPJ Electronics for a total project cost of $200,024.96; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this Legislature approves the request to purchase equipment necessary to complete several key upgrades to the radio communications system through JPJ Electronics at a cost of $200,024.96, by utilizing State Interoperable Communications Grant (SICG FY2021-2022) funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Director of Emergency Services, and JPJ Electronics.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Brewer, Report and Resolution No. 169 sponsored by the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means approving the utilization of grant funding for the purchase of RAPIDSOS System was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14). Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 169

REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPROVING THE UTILIZATION OF GRANT FUNDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF RAPIDSOS SYSTEM

Sponsored by: Committee on Public Safety/Emergency Management
Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter received March 27, 2025, from Albert J. Moxham, Jr., Director of Emergency Services, this Legislature is advised of a request to purchase the RAPIDSOS system, utilizing Statewide Interoperable Communications 2024 Grant funding; and

WHEREAS, letter further states that the RAPIDSOS platform will significantly enhance the community's emergency response operations by providing real-time, accurate location data to first responders, also improving response times and the overall effectiveness of emergency interventions, and would be purchased through RAPIDSOS, of New York, NY, in the amount of $164,099.60 for a five-year implementation period; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Legislature hereby approves the purchase of the RAPIDSOS system in the amount of $164,099.60 for a five-year implementation period and with said purchase to be subject to the approval of the Herkimer County Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Director of Emergency Services, and RAPIDSOS.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Keeler, Report and Resolution No. 170 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing purchase of modules for financial system and appropriating funds was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Schrader, Brewer, Keeler, Bick, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl, Wares, Weakley (14).

Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 170

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF MODULES FOR FINANCIAL SYSTEM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways & Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated April 15, 2025 from Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/ Purchasing Agent, this Legislature is advised of a request to purchase two modules that were not included in the purchase of the financial system; and

WHEREAS, said letter requests the purchase of the EProcurement Module and the Contract Module, with the cost of both modules to be $53,955, including three years of maintenance; and

WHEREAS, said letter advises that the County will be receiving a $27,000 credit for maintenance that was paid in 2024 on the current system to offset some of the expense; and

WHEREAS, an appropriation of funds is necessary to complete the purchase; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the above described purchase of the EProcurement Module and the Contract Module for the financial system in the amount of $53,955 is approved; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that an appropriation be made as follows:

$53,955 From: A878, Computer Reserve
To: A1325A.44000, Treasurer, ARPA, Contracted

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, and the Budget Officer.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Haehl, Report and Resolution No. 171 sponsored by the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means amending Salary Schedule No. V in the Sheriff's Department was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Schrader, Brewer, Keeler, Bick, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl, Wares, Weakley (14).

Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 171

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING SALARY SCHEDULE NO. V IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Sponsored by: Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management
Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated April 21, 2025 from Scott Scherer, Sheriff, this Legislature is advised of a request to amend Salary Schedule No. V; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated April 23, 2025 from Steven Billings, Personnel Officer, he requests to amend Salary Schedule No. V by adding one position of Correction Sergeant at a base pay rate of $44,290 and eliminating one position of Deputy Sheriff/Correction Sergeant; and

WHEREAS, your Committees have taken this matter under consideration and recommend said change; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Salary Schedule no. V is hereby amended in the Sheriff's Department to add one position of Correction Sergeant at a base pay rate of $44,290 and eliminate one position of Deputy Sheriff/Correction Sergeant; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Personnel Officer, and Sheriff.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mrs. Wares, Report and Resolution No. 172 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means amending Resolution No. 391 of 2024 was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Schrader, Brewer, Keeler, Bick, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl, Wares, Weakley (14).

Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 172

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 391 OF 2024

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 391 of 2024 adopted the hourly salary schedule; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated May 5, 2025, Steven Billings, Personnel Officer, requests to amend the hourly salary schedule to increase the hourly rate for the title of part-time Licensed Professional Nurse in Account A3150 from $25.65 per hour to $28.74 per hour, and add the title of part-time Registered Professional Nurse in Account A3150 at an hourly rate of $37.11 per hour effective May 19, 2025; and

WHEREAS, your Committee has taken this matter under advisement and recommends said change; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the hourly salary schedule be amended to increase the hourly rate for the title of part-time Licensed Professional Nurse in Account A3150 from $25.65 per hour to $28.74 per hour, and add the title of part-time Registered Professional Nurse in Account A3150 at an hourly rate of $37.11 per hour effective May 19, 2025; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Personnel Officer, and Sheriff.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Bick, seconded by Mr. Malta, Report and Resolution No. 173 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means amending Salary Schedule No. II for the Jail was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Malta, Gaworecki, Schrader, Brewer, Keeler, Bick, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl, Wares, Weakley (14).

Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 173

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING SALARY SCHEDULE NO. II FOR THE JAIL

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated May 5, 2025, Steven Billings, Personnel Officer, requests to amend Salary Schedule No. II to increase the base pay rate of the title Registered Professional Nurse in Account A3150 from $67,486 to $77,486, and increase the base pay rate of the title Licensed Professional Nurse in Account A3150 from $55,167 to $60,000 effective May 19, 2025; and

WHEREAS, your Committee has taken this matter under advisement and recommends said change; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Salary Schedule No. II is amended to increase the base pay rate of the title Registered Professional Nurse in Account A3150 from $67,486 to $77,486, and increase the base pay rate of the title Licensed Professional Nurse in Account A3150 from $55,167 to $60,000 effective May 19, 2025; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Personnel Officer, and Sheriff.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Weakley, Resolution No. 174 sponsored by the Committee on County Planning & Development authorizing to submit a grant application to the New York State Office of Community Renewal Community Development Block Grant funding was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14). Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 174

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF COMMUNITY RENEWAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM

Sponsored by: Committee on County Planning & Development

WHEREAS, the New York State Office of Community Renewal (the "OCR") has announced availability of funding under the NYS CDBG Business Expansion and Startup (BEST) program for the development of projects that meet the NYS CDBG Program Objectives and that provide decent, safe affordable housing, access to clean drinking water, proper disposal of household wastewater, access to local public facilities, and economic opportunities for persons from LMI households by supporting development projects that are designed to create or retain employment opportunities or foster microenterprise activities and provide opportunities through planning efforts to address community development needs; and

WHEREAS, the Herkimer County Industrial Development Agency (the "IDA") has requested that the County apply for and provide the OCR funding to assist Turbo Machined Products, LLC as a grant for the purpose of an expansion project that will build a 7,200 square foot addition to its current facility to house new machinery and equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Project, if awarded funding, will result in substantial benefit in the form of the creation of 15 new jobs benefitting low-to moderate-income individuals and families; and

WHEREAS, the County has held a public hearing on May 14, 2025 to obtain citizens' views regarding the CDBG program as administered by OCR; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Legislature is hereby authorized to submit a grant application on behalf of the County to request an amount not to exceed $225,000 to the OCR; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute a grant agreement between the County and the OCR and all related documents associated with the OCR grant, including entering into a grant agreement with the IDA for the implementation of the Project and administration of the OCR grant, all such documents to be subject to review and approval by the County Attorney; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman is hereby designated as the Certifying Officer responsible for all activities associated with the federal environmental review process to be completed in conjunction with the CDBG BEST Program; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer of the Herkimer County Industrial Development Agency.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Lucenti, seconded by Mrs. Wares, Resolution No. 175 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means approving standard work day and retirement reporting for elected and appointed officials was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14). Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 175

RESOLUTION APPROVING STANDARD WORK DAY AND RETIREMENT REPORTING FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Legislature hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials to report days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the Clerk of this body:

Title:	Standard Work Day: (Hrs/day) Min. 6 hrs Max. 8 hrs	Name: (First and Last)	Social Security Number: (Last 4 digits)	NYSLRS ID:	Tier 1 (Check only if member is Tier 1)	Current Term Begin & End Dates: (mm/dd/yy-mm/dd/yy)	Record of Activities Result	Not Submitted: (Check only if official did not submit their Record of Activities)
Elected Officials								
Legislator	6	Anthony J. Lucenti	[redacted]	[redacted]		01/01/25-12/31/25	.45	

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Personnel Officer, and Principal Account Clerk in the Treasurer's Office.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mrs. Wares, Report and Resolution No. 176 sponsored by the Committee on Education and the Committee on Ways & Means awarding bids for the softball and baseball field projects at Herkimer County Community College was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14). Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

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No. 176

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AWARDING BIDS FOR THE SOFTBALL AND BASEBALL FIELD PROJECTS AT HERKIMER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Sponsored by: Committee on Education
Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated May 12, 2025, Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, has advised that Herkimer College has received bids for the softball and baseball field projects at Herkimer College; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the architectural and engineering firm The LA Group, that the bids be awarded to the lowest bidders as follows:

General Construction:
Borderline Excavating and Fence — $5,678,600 (Base plus alternates)
149 Thumb Road
St. Johnsville, NY 13452

Electrical Contract:
Huen Electric, Inc. — $1,863,400 (Base plus alternates)
6695 Old Collamer Road
East Syracuse, NY 13057

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Legislature hereby awards the bids as stated above for the softball and baseball field projects at Herkimer County Community College; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance of Herkimer County Community College, Borderline Excavating and Fence, and Huen Electric, Inc.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Brewer, Resolution No. 177 sponsored by the Committee on County Planning & Development authorizing the designation of certifying officer for responsible entity for environmental review purposes as required under programs administered by the United State Department of Housing and Urban Development was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (14). Against: None. Absent: Hollum, Bennett, Brezinski (3).

HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 177

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DESIGNATION OF CERTIFYING OFFICER FOR RESPONSIBLE ENTITY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PURPOSES AS REQUIRED UNDER PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Sponsored by: Committee on County Planning & Development

WHEREAS, to receive Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds and other funds administered by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the County of Herkimer must comply with the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, and related federal environmental laws and executive orders; and

WHEREAS, Environmental Assessments, Requests for Release of Funds, Certifications, and other related documents must be approved and signed by a designated Certifying Officer, as that person is defined in Section 102 of NEPA and related statutory provisions, who is authorized to assume the status of responsible official under NEPA and related authorities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the County of Herkimer names Peter J. Campione, Chairman of the Herkimer County Legislature, as Certifying Officer and hereby authorizes him to take and direct all actions necessary and proper to comply with the environmental review regulations contained in NEPA.

Dated: May 14, 2025.

Chairman Campione stated that pursuant to Rule 6(12) they would proceed with comments by Legislators. The following Legislators made a comment: Legislator Donley, Legislator Schrader, and Legislator Gaworecki.

At 7:13 p.m. on motion of Mr. Malta, seconded by Mr. Weakley, the Legislature adjourned to Wednesday, June 11, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Brittney R. Viscomi, Clerk