

MINUTES
Herkimer County Legislature
Fourth Quarter – First Day
Wednesday, October 1, 2025
2:00 p.m.

The Regular Session of the Herkimer County Legislature was called to order by Chairman Peter J. Campione at 2:00 p.m.

Chairman Campione called on Dr. Terri Grates Day, HCCC President, 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: Gaworecki, Hollum, Brewer, Bennett, Keeler, Brezinski, Bick, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl, Wares, Weakley (15).

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).

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 September 10, 2025. There were none, and the Chairman ordered them approved.

Chairman Campione introduced the new Herkimer County Community College President, Dr. Terri Grates Day.

Chairman Campione introduced Assemblyman Robert Smullen who then updated the Legislature on a few items.

Pursuant to Rule 11, Chairman Campione opened the floor for public comment. 1) Dale Miller, Herkimer – Herkimer County Historical Society.

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. There were no requests.

No. 339 – A communication was received from National Grid submitting Semi-Annual PCB Inventory Report. Filed.

No. 340 – A communication was received from Herkimer County Soil & Water Conservation District advising of monthly meeting. Filed.

No. 341 – A communication was received from the County Attorney submitting Notice of Claim. Filed.

No. 342 – A communication was received from Capital District OTB submitting monthly reports for May & June 2025. Filed.

No. 343 – A communication was received from the County Attorney submitting Notice of Claim. Filed.

No. 344 – A communication was received from the Sheriff submitting July 2025 monthly report. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management.

No. 345 – A communication was received from the Director of Emergency Services requesting purchase of radio equipment. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 346 – A communication was received from the Sheriff requesting renewal of contract with Power DMS. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 347 – A communication was received from the County Attorney requesting to review letter from the Town of Salisbury seeking assistance with tax certiorari proceeding brought by the Village of Dolgeville. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 348 – A communication was received from the Highway Superintendent requesting to auction surplus equipment. Referred to the Committee on Highways and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 349 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting to approve bid for snow removal at new correctional facility. Referred to the Committee on County Properties and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 350 – A communication was received from the Highway Superintendent requesting amendment to Project No. 445 for additional funds. Referred to the Committee on Highways.

No. 351 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting an amendment to the Budget for additional CHIPS funding. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 352 – A communication was received from the Director of Employment & Training requesting sub-lease agreement with Herkimer BOCES. Referred to the Committee on County Planning & Development and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 353 – A communication was received from the County Treasurer requesting advance of funds to the County Road Fund. Referred to the Committee on Highways and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 354 – A communication was received from the Director of Employment & Training requesting appointment to Workforce Development Board. Referred to the Committee on County Planning & Development.

No. 355 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting budget amendment and creation of project in connection with Vote by Mail Grant in Board of Elections. Referred to the Committee on Administration/Veterans' Affairs and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 356 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting budget amendment and creation of project in connection with Election Grant in Board of Elections. Referred to the Committee on Administration/Veterans' Affairs and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 357 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting appropriation of funds in connection with additional training for new financial system. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 358 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting to award proposal for assessing condition of scoreboard at Herkimer County Community College. Referred to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 359 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting amendment to contract for construction management at Herkimer County Community College. Referred to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 360 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting to award bid for air handler at Herkimer County Community College. Referred to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 361 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting budget amendment and creation of project in connection with large equipment purchase in the Highway Department. Referred to the Committee on Highways and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 362 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting an appropriation of funds for repairs to Hopson Road Extension. Referred to the Committee on Highways and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 363 – A communication was received from the Director of Employment & Training requesting Chairman sign Workforce Development Plan. Referred to the Committee on County Planning & Development and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 364 – A communication was received from the Director of Emergency Services requesting extension of FY2022 SHSP/SLETPP Grant. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 365 – A communication was received from the Director of Emergency Services requesting extension of DT FY2022 Grant. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Emergency Management and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 366 – A communication was received from the Director of Public Health requesting to accept FY 2026 Grant funds and authorize contract with Help Me Grow NY. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 367 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting appropriation of funds. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 368 – A communication was received from the Director of Public Health requesting agreement for Co-Mingle Transportation Services for Pre-K Students. Referred to the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 369 – A communication was received from the Personnel Officer requesting creation of temporary position in Treasurer's Office. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 370 – A communication was received from the Personnel Officer requesting amendment to Salary Schedule No. III in Treasurer's Office. Referred to the Committee on Ways & Means.

No. 371 – A communication was received from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent requesting change order for 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. There were no reports.

On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Mr. Lucenti, Resolution No. 276 – Resolution No. 282 were handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).

Consent Agenda:

276 CO. PLNG. & DEV.: Concerning membership on the Workforce Development Board

277 CO. PLNG. & DEV., WAYS & MEANS: Authorizing Chairman to sign Workforce Development Plan

278 PUB. SFTY./EMER. MGMT., WAYS & MEANS: Extending Grant for Emergency Services

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280 CO. PLNG. & DEV., WAYS & MEANS: Authorizing office space permit agreement with Herkimer BOCES

281 ADMIN./VETS. AFFAIRS, WAYS & MEANS: Accepting grant, authorizing Chairman to sign contract, creating project, and amending budget in Board of Elections

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HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 276

REPORT AND RESOLUTION CONCERNING MEMBERSHIP ON THE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Sponsored by: Committee on County Planning and Development

WHEREAS, by letter dated August 21, 2025, the Herkimer County Chamber of Commerce has recommended an appointment of a representative from the private business sector in Herkimer County to the Workforce Development Board; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the following individual is hereby appointed to the Workforce Development Board of Herkimer, Madison, and Oneida Counties as a representative from the private business sector of Herkimer County for the terms as listed:

Appointment:

Mary Snell, Chief of Staff

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420 East German Street

Herkimer, NY 13350

Term: 9/1/2025 – 6/30/2028

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Director of Employment & Training, Chairman of the Workforce Development Board, Chairman of the Madison County Board of Supervisors, Oneida County Executive, and the above listed appointee.

Dated: October 1, 2025.



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 277

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO SIGN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD LOCAL PLAN

**Sponsored by: Committee on County Planning and Development
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 12, 2025 Nicole Wilson, Director of Employment & Training, has requested that the Legislature approve and accept the Workforce Development Board of Herkimer, Madison & Oneida Local Plan for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2029; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Workforce Innovation & Opportunity Act (WIOA) requires the Local Workforce Development Board (LWDB) of each Local Workforce Development Area, in partnership with the chief elected official(s), to develop and submit a comprehensive local plan to the Governor in order to receive Title 1 WIOA Funds; and

WHEREAS, the plan serves as a management tool that allows local elected officials and local board members to continually evaluate the progress of local service providers and One-Stop operators in implementing the long-term goals and objectives for the local workforce development system. In addition, our local plan once again identifies Herkimer County as a Grant Recipient of the Title 1 WIOA funds for the HMO local area; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the execution by the Chairman of this Legislature for the Workforce Development Board of Herkimer, Madison, and Oneida Local Plan for the period of July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2029 is approved; and, be it further

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

Dated: October 1, 2025.



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 278

REPORT AND RESOLUTION EXTENDING GRANT FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 201 of 2022, this Legislature accepted funding through a State Homeland Security Program Grant (SHSP) and the State Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (SLETPP) Grant FY2022 award in the amount of \$76,821.00, with the SHSP portion at \$53,775.00 and the SLETPP portion at \$23,046.00; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 5, 2025 from Albert J. Moxham, Jr., Director of Emergency Services, your Committees have been advised that he would like to extend this grant to August 31, 2026; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to execute a grant extension, by e-signature, to August 31, 2026 on behalf of the County of Herkimer for the State Homeland Security Program Grant (SHSP) and the State Law Enforcement Terrorism

Prevention Program (SLETPP) Grant FY2022 award for the remaining grant funds; and, be it further

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

Dated: October 1, 2025.



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 279

REPORT AND RESOLUTION EXTENDING GRANT FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 5 of 2023, this Legislature accepted funding through a Domestic Terrorism Prevention Grant (DTP) award in the amount of \$172,413; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 5, 2025 from Albert J. Moxham, Jr., Director of Emergency Services, your Committees have been advised that he would like to extend this grant to August 31, 2026; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to execute a grant extension, by e-signature, to August 31, 2026 on behalf of the County of Herkimer for the Domestic Terrorism Prevention Grant (DTP) award for the remaining grant funds; and, be it further

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

Dated: October 1, 2025.



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 280

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING OFFICE SPACE PERMIT AGREEMENT WITH HERKIMER BOCES AT THE WORKING SOLUTIONS CAREER CENTER

**Sponsored by: Committee on County Planning and Development
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 8, 2025, Nicole Wilson, Director of Employment and Training, has advised of a request to enter into a new Office Space Permit Agreement with Herkimer BOCES on behalf of their Adult and Migrant Education Programs for the period of October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026 in the amount of \$22,000; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to execute an Office Space Permit Agreement on behalf of the County of Herkimer to provide office space at the Working Solutions One Stop Center for use by Herkimer BOCES in the amount of \$22,000 for the time period of October 1, 2025 to September 30, 2026, with terms and conditions 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 Employment and Training, and Herkimer BOCES.

Dated: October 1, 2025.



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 281

REPORT AND RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GRANT, AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT, CREATING PROJECT, AND AMENDING BUDGET IN BOARD OF ELECTIONS

**Sponsored by: Committee on Administration/Veterans' Affairs
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 11, 2025, from Teresa Robotham and Robert J. Hoyt, Election Commissioners, this Legislature is advised of a request to accept grant funding, authorize Chairman to sign the contract, create project, and amend the budget in connection with an Election Grant in the Board of Elections in the amount of \$7,232.43, the funding will run from April 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 12, 2025, Sheri A. Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent has requested a project be created and the 2025 Budget be amended as follows:

A1452000 430890, BOE Grants, State Aid, Project BE09

From: \$0

To: \$7,232.43

A1452000 541000, BOE Grants, Supplies, Project BE09

From: \$0

To: \$7,232.43

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this Legislature hereby accepts receipt of the Election Grant in the amount of \$7,232.43, creates project, and amends the budget as listed; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is authorized to sign all necessary documents relating to this grant; and, be it further

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

Dated: October 1, 2025.



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 282

REPORT AND RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GRANT, AUTHORIZING CHAIRMAN TO SIGN CONTRACT, CREATING PROJECT, AND AMENDING BUDGET IN BOARD OF ELECTIONS

**Sponsored by: Committee on Administration/Veterans' Affairs
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 11, 2025, from Teresa Robotham and Robert J. Hoyt, Election Commissioners, this Legislature is advised of a request to accept grant funding, authorize Chairman to sign the contract, create project, and amend the budget in connection with a Vote by Mail Grant in the Board of Elections in the amount of \$16,177.00, the funding will run from April 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 12, 2025, Sheri A. Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent has requested a project be created and the 2025 Budget be amended as follows:

A1452000 430890, BOE Grants, State Aid, Project BE11

From: \$0
To: \$16,177

A1452000 546300, BOE Grants, Postage, Project BE11

From: \$0
To: \$16,177

now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that this Legislature hereby accepts receipt of the Vote by Mail Grant in the amount of \$16,177.00, creates project, and amends the budget as listed; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is authorized to sign all necessary documents relating to this grant; and, be it further

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

Dated: October 1, 2025.

The Chairman continued with the Regular Agenda.

On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Haehl, Report and Resolution No. 283 sponsored by the Committee on Highways and the Committee on Ways & Means approving purchases for large equipment in Highway Department, creating project, and amending budget was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 283

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

**Sponsored by: Committee on Highways
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 8, 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 purchase; and

WHEREAS, the purchase will consist of a 2026 Freightliner Model 114SD SBA plus set back axle Water Tanker Truck, at a cost not to exceed \$208,913.71, with the purchase to be a NYS OGS via Onondaga County Contract #0010914; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 8, 2025 from Sheri A. Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, this Legislature is advised that it is necessary to create a project and amend the Herkimer County Budget for 2025; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Legislature hereby approves the purchase of a 2026 Freightliner Model 114SD SBA plus set back axle Water Tanker Truck, not to exceed a cost of \$208,913.71; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that a project be created and the 2025 Budget be amended as follows:

Create:

Project 806, 2026 CHIPS Equipment

Amend:

H0000001 450310, Interfund Revenue, Project 806

From: \$0

To: \$208,914

H5197000 525000, Hwy. Equip. & Cap Outlay
Other Equipment, Project 806

From: \$0
To: \$208,914

and, be it further

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

Dated: October 1, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Swartz, seconded by Mr. Hollum, Report and Resolution No. 284 sponsored by the Committee on Highways and the Committee on Ways & Means creating project and authorizing appropriation of funds was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Gaworecki, Hollum, Brewer, Bennett, Keeler, Brezinski, Bick, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl, Wares, Weakley (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 284

REPORT AND RESOLUTION CREATING PROJECT AND AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

**Sponsored by: Committee on Highways
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 September 8, 2025, submitting a request for appropriation of funds and the creation of a project for repairs to Hopson Road Extension; and

WHEREAS, Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent has advised that funds have been verified and are available for this appropriation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that a project be created and an appropriation be made as follows:

Appropriate

\$150,000

From: D0000001 388900, Emergency Disaster Reserve, Project 82

To: H5197000 544000, Project 82

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Treasurer is authorized to make any necessary adjustments to the interfund transfer accounts; and, be it further

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

Dated: October 1, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Brezinski, Report and Resolution No. 285 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means amending budget in connection with additional CHIPS funds for 2025 was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 285

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING BUDGET IN CONNECTION WITH ADDITIONAL CHIPS FUNDS FOR 2025

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 8, 2025 from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, this Legislature is advised that it is necessary to amend the 2025 Budget in connection with the receipt of additional CHIPS funds for 2025; now, therefore, be it

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

D0000001 439552, Consolidated Hwy. Improvement	From: \$7,500,000
	To: \$12,757,208.25
D0000001 599552, Provision for Construction	From: \$7,500,000
	To: \$12,757,208.25

and, be it further

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

Dated: October 1, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Hollum, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, Report and Resolution No. 286 sponsored by the Committee on Highways amending Resolution No. 94 of 2025 approving projects under Article 6, Section 116 of the Highway Law was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 286

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 94 OF 2025 APPROVING PROJECTS UNDER ARTICLE 6, SECTION 116 OF THE HIGHWAY LAW

Sponsored by: Committee on Highways

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 94 of 2025, this Legislature approved the use of County Road Fund monies for Project No. 445, Hardscrabble Road, in the amount of \$1,243,966.00; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated August 27, 2025, Mark A. Nagele, P.E., Herkimer County Highway Superintendent, has advised that additional funds are required for this project, and he has requested an increase in the appropriated amount to \$1,893,966.00; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Resolution No. 94 of 2025 is hereby amended to increase the estimated cost for the project to \$1,893,966.00, and that County Road Fund monies in that amount are hereby approved for that project; 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: October 1, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Brezinski, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, Report and Resolution No. 287 sponsored by the Committee on Highways and the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing advance of funds to the County Road Fund was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 287

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVANCE OF FUNDS TO THE COUNTY ROAD FUND

**Sponsored by: Committee on Highways
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 17, 2025, Kimberlee Enea, Herkimer County Treasurer, has advised that New York State has changed the procedure by which they process reimbursement for the CHIPS, Pave-NY and Extreme Winter Recovery (EWR) projects back to

the County Highway Department, and further requests advance of funds as needed from the General Fund to the County Road Fund, with General Fund reimbursement being made as funds are received from New York State; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Treasurer be, and she hereby is, authorized to advance up to \$4,000,000 as needed, from A0000001 100001, General Fund to D0000000 100000, County Road Fund; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that any funds advanced shall be repaid to the General Fund before accounts are closed for the fiscal year; and, be it further

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

Dated: October 1, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Donley, seconded by Ms. Bennett, Report and Resolution No. 288 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means appropriating funds was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Gaworecki, Hollum, Brewer, Bennett, Keeler, Brezinski, Bick, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl, Wares, Weakley (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 288

REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING FUNDS

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 12, 2025 from Michael Edwards, Director of the Herkimer County Land Bank, request is made to cover expenses related to six demolition projects; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 23, 2025 from the Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, this Legislature is advised that it is necessary to appropriate funds to cover expenses related to the upcoming projects, with the Land Bank receiving reimbursement from the State upon completion of the projects, at which time the monies will be returned to the County; and

WHEREAS, Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent has advised that funds have been verified and are available for this appropriation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that an appropriation be made as follows:

\$175,000 From: A0000000 390900, Fund Balance
To: A8620000 544000, Urban Renewal, Contracted Services

and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Land Bank will return the monies to the County, upon completion of the projects, and reimbursement from the State; and, be it further

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

Dated: October 1, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Gaworecki, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, Report and Resolution No. 289 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means approving additional training sessions for financial system and appropriating funds was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Gaworecki, Hollum, Brewer, Bennett, Keeler, Brezinski, Bick, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl, Wares, Weakley (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 289

REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPROVING ADDITIONAL TRAINING SESSIONS FOR FINANCIAL SYSTEM AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways & Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 8, 2025 from Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/ Purchasing Agent, this Legislature is advised of a request for 14 additional post live training sessions for the new financial system; and

WHEREAS, said letter requests the cost of the 14 additional post live training sessions is \$22,400; and

WHEREAS, an appropriation of funds is necessary to accommodate this request; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the above described purchase of 14 additional post live training sessions in the amount of \$22,400 is approved; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that an appropriation be made as follows:

\$22,400 From: A0000000 390900, Fund Balance

To: A1325000 544000, Treasurer, Contracted Services

and, be it further

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

Dated: October 1, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Ms. Bennett, Report and Resolution No. 290 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means accepting funds and authorizing contract in the Public Health Department was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 290

REPORT AND RESOLUTION ACCEPTING FUNDING AND AUTHORIZING CONTRACT IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

**Sponsored by: Committee on Human Resources
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by communication dated September 5, 2025, Christina Cain, Director of Public Health, has requested to accept FY 2026 New York State Legislative Grant funds in the amount of \$20,000, funding has been allocated for the department to support the implementation of the Help Me Grow system, a nationally recognized framework that connects families with early childhood developmental services, community resources, and family support programs; and

WHEREAS, said letter further requests authorization to enter into a contract with Help Me Grow NY (HMG NY); now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the above described funding is accepted in the amount of \$20,000, and authorization is given for the Chairman of this Legislature to sign contracts in connection with this funding; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Chairman is further authorized to sign a contract with Help Me Grow NY (HMG NY); and, be it further

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

Dated: October 1, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Brewer, seconded by Mrs. Wares, Report and Resolution No. 291 sponsored by the Committee on Human Resources and the Committee on Ways & Means authorizing agreement in the Public Health Department was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 291

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AGREEMENT IN THE PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

**Sponsored by: Committee on Human Resources
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 9, 2025, Christina Cain, Director of Public Health, has requested approval of an “Agreement to Co-Mingle Transportation Services for Pre-K Students” between Public Health and contiguous counties/school districts; and

WHEREAS, this agreement allows Herkimer County to share transportation resources for eligible Pre-K students attending approved programs and facilities across jurisdictions to increase efficiency, reduce costs, and ensure timely access to services for all eligible students, while maintaining full compliance with applicable confidentiality, insurance, and oversight requirements;

WHEREAS, key elements of the agreement include: mutual discretion in approving shared transportation routes, no cost-sharing requirement among participating entities, this is strictly service sharing, continued control over individual transportation providers, and safeguards for confidentiality and liability protections; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of this Legislature is hereby authorized to execute an “Agreement to Co-Mingle Transportation Services for Pre-K Students” between Public Health and contiguous counties/school districts, with said agreement 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, and Director of Public Health.

Dated: October 1, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Weakley, seconded by Mr. Keeler, Report and Resolution No. 292 sponsored by the Committee on County Properties and the Committee on Ways & Means awarding bid for snow plowing contract for the new correctional facility was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 292

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AWARDING BID FOR A SNOW PLOWING CONTRACT FOR THE NEW CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

**Sponsored by: Committee on County Properties
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 12, 2025, from Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/
Purchasing Agent, she has advised that bids were received for a snow plowing contract for the
Herkimer County Correctional Facility on September 12, 2025; and

WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of your Committees to award the contract to Art
Bass Concrete, 1029 Honey Hill Road, Poland, NY 13431, at a cost of \$950 per visit (3 hour
visit) with an additional \$350 for salt/sand for the 2025/2026, and 2026/2027 seasons; now,
therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Legislature hereby awards a bid for a snow
plowing contract for the Herkimer County Correctional Facility, at a cost of \$950 per visit (3
hour visit) with an additional \$350 for salt/sand, to Art Bass Concrete; and, be it further

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

Dated: October 1, 2025.

On motion of Mrs. Wares, seconded by Mr. Donley, Report and Resolution No. 293
sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means creating temporary position in Herkimer County
Treasurer's Office was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Gaworecki, Hollum, Brewer, Bennett, Keeler, Brezinski, Bick, Swartz, Lucenti,
Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl, Wares, Weakley (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 293

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

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 23, 2025 from Kimberlee Enea, County Treasurer, she has requested to create a temporary position to allow for training of new staff; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 23, 2025 from Steven R. Billings, Personnel Officer, he has requested to create a temporary position of Accountant in Account A1325 at a base pay rate of \$60,164, effective from September 29, 2025 through October 24, 2025; and

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

RESOLVED, that a temporary position of Accountant is created in Account A1325 at a base pay rate of \$60,164, effective from September 29, 2025 through October 24, 2025; 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: October 1, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Lucenti, seconded by Mrs. Wares, Report and Resolution No. 294 sponsored by the Committee on Ways & Means amending Salary Schedule No. III in the Treasurer's Department was handed up; voted on and adopted by roll call vote:

For: Gaworecki, Hollum, Brewer, Bennett, Keeler, Brezinski, Bick, Swartz, Lucenti, Ackerman, Donley, Campione, Haehl, Wares, Weakley (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 294

**REPORT AND RESOLUTION AMENDING SALARY SCHEDULE NO. III IN THE
TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT**

Sponsored by: Committee on Ways and Means

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 18, 2025 from Kimberlee Enea, County Treasurer, she has requested an amendment to Salary Schedule No. III; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 23, 2025, Steven R. Billings, Personnel Officer, your Committee has been advised that Salary Schedule No. III should be amended to delete one position of Senior Account Clerk in Account A1325 and create one position of Principal Account Clerk in Account A1325 at an annual base salary of \$40,928; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that Salary Schedule No. III be amended to delete one position of Senior Account Clerk in Account A1325 and create one position of Principal Account Clerk in Account A1325 at an annual base salary of \$40,928; 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: October 1, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Brewer, seconded by Mr. Ackerman, Report and Resolution No. 295 sponsored by the Committee on Education and the Committee on Ways & Means awarding proposal in connection with softball and baseball field projects at Herkimer County Community College was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 295

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AWARDING PROPOSAL IN CONNECTION WITH SOFTBALL AND BASEBALL FIELD PROJECTS AT HERKIMER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

**Sponsored by: Committee on Education
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 12, 2025, Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, has advised that Herkimer College has received a proposal from the LA Group, for the purpose of assessing the electrical and structural condition of the Wehrum Stadium scoreboard at Herkimer College; and

WHEREAS, the LA Group will also design any wiring or structural modifications that may be needed to accommodate new scoreboard installations; and

WHEREAS, the proposal totals \$8,000 and includes site visits and research to determine any deficiencies with the scoreboard structure; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Legislature hereby awards a proposal to the LA Group for the purpose of assessing the electrical and structural condition of the Wehrum Stadium scoreboard at Herkimer College, and design any wiring or structural modifications that may be needed to accommodate new scoreboard installations, at a cost of \$8,000 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, President of Herkimer County Community College,

Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance of Herkimer County Community College, and LA Group.

Dated: October 1, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Brezinski, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Report and Resolution No. 296 sponsored by the Committee on Education and the Committee on Ways & Means approving amendment to contract for construction management for college projects was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 296

REPORT AND RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT TO CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT FOR COLLEGE PROJECTS

**Sponsored by: Committee on Education
Committee on Ways & Means**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 206 of 2024 awarded a contract for construction services for the capital projects at Herkimer County Community College to C&S Engineers, Inc., 499 Eileen Collins Blvd., Syracuse, NY 13212, in the amount of \$296,037.04; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 12, 2025 from Sheri A. Ferdula, Budget Officer/ Purchasing Agent, this Legislature is advised that at the time the contract was awarded, there was a concern over the projects coming in over budget so the construction management functions were kept to a minimum to allow funding to be distributed where needed; and

WHEREAS, said letter further advises that as of August 31, 2025, the contract has been maxed out, and the actual bids have come in under the original estimated budgets, and the College would like to extend this contract to continue these services through completion of the projects; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the contract with C&S Engineers Inc., is hereby amended in the amount of \$193,756, with mileage not to exceed \$19,110, with all other terms and conditions remaining the same; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this Resolution be forwarded to the Herkimer County Treasurer, Auditor, Budget Officer, President of Herkimer County Community College, Senior Vice President for Administration and Finance of Herkimer County Community College, and C&S Engineers, Inc.

Dated: October 1, 2025.

On motion of Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Report and Resolution No. 297 sponsored by the Committee on Education and the Committee on Ways & Means awarding bid for air handler at Herkimer County Community College was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 297

REPORT AND RESOLUTION AWARDING BID FOR AIR HANDLER AT HERKIMER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

**Sponsored by: Committee on Education
Committee on Ways & Means**

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 12, 2025 from Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/Purchasing Agent, this Legislature is advised that Herkimer County Community College has received approval from SUNY to allocate remaining funds to different projects within the capital budget; and

WHEREAS, letter further advises bids were received for the purchase of a new air handler for the Technology Center, and it is the recommendation of the College and the architects that the bid be awarded to the lowest bidder, Modular Comfort Systems, Inc., 5860 Belle Isle Road, Syracuse, NY 13209, in the amount of \$47,236; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Legislature hereby awards a bid for the purchase of a new air handler for the Technology Center at the College, to Modular Comfort Systems, Inc., in the amount of \$47,236; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that this project will be combined with the chiller replacement project already established for the college; and be it further

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

Dated: October 1, 2025.

On motion of Ms. Bennett, seconded by Mr. Gaworecki, Report and Resolution No. 298 sponsored by the Committee on Education and the Committee on Ways & Means concerning change order on proposal for electrical contract at the Herkimer County Community College was handed up; voted on and adopted by voice vote:

For: Ayes (15).

Against: None.

Absent: Malta, Schrader (2).



HERKIMER COUNTY LEGISLATURE

No. 298

REPORT AND RESOLUTION CONCERNING CHANGE ORDER ON PROPOSAL FOR ELECTRICAL CONTRACT AT THE HERKIMER COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

**Sponsored by: Committee on Education
Committee on Ways and Means**

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 176 of 2025 awarded a contract to Huen Electric, Inc. in connection with the softball and baseball field projects at Herkimer County Community College, in the amount of \$1,863,400; and

WHEREAS, by letter dated September 24, 2025, Sheri Ferdula, Budget Officer/ Purchasing Agent, has advised that a change order has been received from Huen Electric, Inc., 2118 Beechgrove Place, Utica, NY 13501, for the purchase of three scoreboards for the baseball, softball, and soccer/lacrosse fields, for an additional \$190,468; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Herkimer County Legislature hereby approves the above listed change order for the purchase of three scoreboards for the baseball, softball, and soccer/lacrosse fields in the amount of \$190,468, bringing the total contract to \$2,053,868; and, be it further

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

Dated: October 1, 2025.

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

At 2:21 p.m. on motion of Mr. Lucenti, seconded by Mr. Bick, the Legislature adjourned to Wednesday, October 22, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Brittney R. Viscomi, Clerk